The Church in Hardin County to 1883
by Rev. Anthony S. Siebenfoercher
(Concluded, from Vol. XXIV, No. 6)

Rev. N. V. Fas, the third pastor, arrived in June, 1870. Father Fas was in every sense of the word a good priest. He was especially noted for his zeal in teaching catechism to the children throughout the county. During his pastorate, the church at Kenton was frescoed. Father Fas was a fine musician, a master at the piano, also a good vocalist. His polite and kind manners, as also his talents, gained for him many friends at Kenton. After one year and some weeks, Father Fas was removed, likewise, by his own request. He was next appointed assistant priest to Rev. Dr. Kuhr, at St. Philomena's Church on Congress street, in Cincinnati. He soon became pastor of that church, but shortly after left the archdiocese, and after spending some time in New York, he returned to Germany, his native land.

December 28, 1871, the writer of this sketch arrived in Kenton, accompanied by Rev. Father Bihn, of Tiffin. We succeeded Father Fas after a vacancy in the pastorate of five months. We found the church in debt $1,536.33; and as yet no school, no cemetery, no pavements or graveled streets about the church property. In 1872, the school building was erected, to which an addition had to be built three years later. In September of 1872, before the building was complete, we opened a school with thirteen children in the gallery of the church; before the end of the year, we had seventy-two pupils on the rolls. John Dick was teacher, the first two years. In 1874, the Sisters of Charity took charge of the school. Our first sisters were Sister Irene, who died, December 30, 1876; Sister Leocadia and Sister Mary Cecilia.

St. Mary's Cemetery, containing five acres, was bought in 1872. We blessed the same by permission of his Grace, the Archbishop, Sunday, July 28, of the same year, being assisted by Father Peter Anthony, C.P.P.S., from New Riegel, and Messrs. George F. Houck and Jacob Kuebler, students, who are priests at present, the former being Secretary to Rt. Rev. Bishop Gilmour, of Cleveland, and the latter pastor at Rockport, near the same city. The Father Matthew Total Abstinence Society was organized January 4, 1874, Charles Lunney being its first President.

April 1, 1880, the lot on the southwest corner of Cherry and North street, opposite the church, was bought, and, during the summer of the same year, a large and commodious brick residence was erected thereon for the Sisters of Charity. This improvement cost $3,072.50. The last acquisition of property was made in the spring of 1883, when the lot opposite the parsonage was bought at a cost of $850, so that the church property consists now of four lots, each having sixty-five feet front and 167 feet depth.

November 13, 1874, Rev. Joseph M. Quatman arrived as assistant pastor and labored in that capacity about eight months, when he was
appointed pastor of St. Mary's Church at Marion, Ohio. Father Alfred D. Dexter succeeded Father Quatman, October 19, 1876, and remained in that position for four years and six months, when he was appointed assistant at Bellefontaine and is now pastor at Marysville, Ohio. On January 14, 1882, Rev. Andrew Ebert became our assistant, who was succeeded, October 28 of the same year, by Rev. William B. Miggeel. The latter was succeeded, June 7, 1883, by Rev. Francis Xavier Lasance, our present colleague in the ministry.

Many minor improvements have been made in these twelve years of our pastorate, too numerous to be mentioned here; suffice it to say that all the improvements are paid for, as well as the debts we found at our arrival, except $500 on the lot purchased only a few months ago. Our little band of Sisters has increased to four, one of whom is continually employed in teaching music, an undertaking which has proved very successful. Almighty God has showered down upon us in this period innumerable and great blessings. He has kept us united, though sermons were preached continually in both English and German, and whilst the number of our people has doubled, their wealth has quadrupled. The many little log cabins throughout, the county, whose very ruins we still hold in benediction, where so often we celebrated the divine mysteries and preached the Word of God, are now nearly all replaced by handsome dwellings. What we rejoice over most of all is our excellent Catholic school, and our noble band of converts who in these years have been added to the church at Kenton. These came from every rank in society, and would, by themselves, make a small but firm congregation. A good number of these have already passed to their reward, others have moved away, but many are still among our most edifying members.

Our present Church Committee consists of Messrs. John P. Cook, Thomas Dwyre, Jacob Forbing, John Glenn, John Getzinger and William Steffen. The statistics of the Catholic Church of Hardin County are as follows: Kenton congregation, 190 families; Ada, 30 families; Dunkirk, 9 families; Forest, 8 families; Mount Victory, 2 families; and attending at Larue from this county, 11 families; total, 250 families. Truly God has blessed the labors of His servants in this field, and crowned them with the diadem of success.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Ada

After Kenton, Ada was generally considered the most prominent station for the priest of Hardin County. This village being situated in the extreme northwestern corner of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, just three miles east and south of the boundaries of the diocese of Cleveland, priests from the latter diocese frequently attended the same. Thus, twenty-five years ago, Father Sullivan, from Tiffin, afterward Father Murphy, from Lima, both priests from the Diocese of Cleveland, visited the Catholics of Ada. When in June, 1866, Rev. Nicholas Raymond Young, the first Catholic priest resident in this county, had arrived in Kenton, this station fell to his charge. Father Young frequently visited the people of Ada on Sundays and conducted divine service in the second story of a frame building situated on the northwest corner of Buckeye and Johnson streets, owned by Bartholomew Bastable, afterward destroyed by fire.

Rev. Augustine M. Quatman succeeded Father Young toward the close of 1869, but not remaining in Kenton very long, he attended Ada only on two or three occasions. The next Catholic pastor of the Hardin County stations was Rev. Nicholas J. V. Fas, who arrived in Kenton in June, 1870. Father Fas, finding the increasing work throughout the county rather difficult for one priest, negotiated with the Bishops of both dioceses, and the charge of Ada was again given to the priest of Lima, who at that
time was Rev. Alexander R. Sidley. This priest attended Ada for about three years, celebrating mass in different private houses, but finally in a small room above E. E. Bauman's grocery, on the southeast corner of Buckeye and Main streets. By order of His Grace, the Most Rev. John Baptist Purcell, Archbishop of Cincinnati, we took charge of Ada in the beginning of 1874. We found in the little room a board for an altar, a small confessional, a table and several benches. On June 24 of the same year, we gave first holy communion to ten young persons. The congregation of Ada has remained in our charge ever since, with but one short interruption, which was in the year 1881, when from May 12 until Dec. 31, Rev. Honoratus Bourion, A. M., of Bellefontaine, had charge of the Hardin County stations outside of the Kenton congregation. Our assistants, the Revs. Joseph M. Quatman, Alfred D. Dexter, Andrew Ebert, William B. Miggeel and F. X. Lasance, in their turn, aided us, in attending to the spiritual wants of the people.

The first Catholic land owner in this vicinity was F. C. Baker, who entered a large farm, at present adjoining the corporation of Ada, as far back as 1837, but owing to the great distance from a Catholic Church, he soon returned to Columbus. His son, Anthony C. Baker, is at present living on this farm. The oldest actual settlers belonging to the Catholic faith, as far as we are able to ascertain, were Messrs. Michael Flynn and James Morrow, who arrived in 1856. Both own beautiful farms at present, the former four miles west of Ada, in Allen County, the latter close to Ada. Daniel Breen came about 1858. Thomas Bastable, who died in 1874, and his brother Bartholomew, arrived in 1861; Daniel Hanley in 1863; Bartholomew O'Leary one year later.

Jacob Forbing, at present one of the committeemen of the Kenton Church, formerly a resident of Ada, had donated a lot on the southeast corner of Ballard and Johnson streets, for the purpose of erecting thereon a Catholic house of worship. With Mr. Forbing's consent, however, we sold that lot in 1874, and bought two lots on the corner of Simon and Hoosier streets, which were considered better located for the purpose. The foundation of the Ada Church was begun on the 10th of September, 1874, and on the 8th of December of the same year the church, a frame structure, 30x50, was completed, with altar, pews, organ and bell, just as we see it at present. By permission of the Archbishop, Rev. A. M. Quatman, from the cathedral, dedicated the church on that day, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. For the special patron of the church was chosen "Mary Immaculate," under the title of our "Lady of Lourdes." Quite a number of non-Catholics contributed freely toward the new church; we collected from them about $600, toward which Nathan Ahlefeld alone gave $200, and Henry Zugschwert $100. More than $600 were collected by Father Joseph Quatman and ourselves outside of Ada, mostly in Cincinnati. At present the church is free from debt. The total cost of lots, church building, furniture, etc., came to $3,227.50.

The only time the Archbishop visited Ada was July 10, 1871. Fathers James A. Burns, Henry J. Moeller, D.D.?, A. M. Quatman, J. W. Quatman, A. H. [sic] Dexter and ourselves, also Messrs. Bernard Matthews and John McGuigin accompanied the aged prelate from Kenton. On that occasion seventeen persons received the sacrament of confirmation, and Rev. Dr. Moeller, then pastor at Bellefontaine, at present Secretary to Right Rev. William Henry Elder, D. D., Coadjutor Bishop of this archdiocese, delivered a very interesting lecture on the sacrament of the Eucharist. From the 15th to the 19th of May, 1878, Father Augustine, of the Passionist Order, preached the first, and indeed, a most fruitful mission to the people of Ada. His rare eloquence will long be remembered. June 28, 1880, Bishop Elder visited Ada and
confirmed twelve persons, being assisted by Rev. A. D. Dexter and A. S. Siebenfoercher. From April 8 to 11, Father Robert C.P. gave the second mission at Ada, the success being in every particular similar to that of the mission five years previous. In early times, the priests who visited Ada would stop with different families, but later on, generally at Mr. Forbings or at Mr. Hanley's, until after the building of the church, the kindly tendered hospitality of Mr. O'Leary, who lived nearest to the church, was accepted.

The number of Catholic families belonging to the Ada congregation at present is about thirty. The first election of a regular church committee took place January 19, 1878, and resulted in the choice of Anthony C. Baker and Francis Owens for two years, and Thomas Fielding and Peter Sweeny for one year. Services are held at Ada twice each month on Sundays and frequently on week days. Recitation of catechism takes place every Sunday afternoon, under the direction of Mr. D. Hanley. The Catholics of Ada have long been known for their singular attachment to the attending priests, nor has this true Catholic spirit in the least diminished. During the building of the church and on all occasions the greatest possible harmony existed between the priest and people. The thought about the past history of the church at Ada is that of great pleasure and satisfaction, but the crowning work of all is that much has been accomplished for the good of the people and the glory of God.

NOTES

19) The first school building was a frame structure, 30 by 50 feet, immediately north of the church.

20) John Dick was a farmer in Pleasant Township, a native Ohioan born of immigrant parents from Hesse. He and his wife Lena were the parents of eleven children. Three were Sisters Mary Helen, Magdalen Marie, and Marie Cecilia of the Sisters of Charity of Mt. St. Joseph, Cincinnati. One was Rev. Joseph Henry Dick (1886-1964) of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Among his other assignments, Father Dick was pastor at Otway and Pond Creek, now in this diocese. (See the Catholic Telegraph, Sept. 11, 1964)

21) from Cincinnati

22) Deed Record 35/621, July 6, 1872 for the price of $925. In 1888 the unused eastern end (rear) of this cemetery was traded to the surrounding Grove Cemetery in return for adjacent land on the south. (Deeds 66/529 and 66/531)


24) Lot 28 in the Eastern Addition, Feb. 12, 1883 (Deed Record 55/420)

25) At the end of the records of baptisms for 1887, Father Siebenfoercher wrote a list of those who had been received into the Church from other religions. Fourteen of these were current parishioners who had been baptized by other priests or in other places, but the larger part of the list, comprising 121 names, had entered the Church during his twelve years in Kenton. A comparison of the list with the baptismal register reveals that even this large list is not complete - perhaps it was complete regarding then current members of the parish. It is quite a remarkable record and says much of the holiness of Father Siebenfoercher and the Catholics of Kenton, that they attracted such a large number into the Church in such a small community.

26) Lots 7 & 8, purchased August 10, 1874 for $200. (Deed 39/123)

27) This is the only place your editor has ever seen a middle initial for Archbishop Moeller. Are there any other such references?
Abstracts from
The Catholic Telegraph
(Continued from Vol. XXIV, No. 6)

July 13, 1848
Subscription: Thomas Collier, Bolivar, O.

July 20, 1848 [Thursday]
Next Sunday the Sacrament of confirmation will be administered in Dayton, and the Sunday following in Portsmouth.

Subscriptions: John O'Rourke, Rehoboth, O.; James Lennox, Chillicothe, O.; Peter Timony, Shade Post Office, O.

July 27, 1848
EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM REV. J. LAMY.
SEMINARY OF ISSY, near Paris, July 5, 1848
My letter from Havre will, I am afraid, have made you somewhat uneasy concerning the state of Paris, and also concerning the Theological students, Messrs. Bruner, Brent, and Hallinan; but now it is perfectly quiet. I arrived in Paris on the 27th of June, and on the next day the omnibus commenced to carry passengers through the city -- but not through all Paris. I went to see Mr. Carriere, and from St. Sulpice I steered my course through several barricades to Issy. The Seminary of St. Sulpice and of Issy, did not for a single moment suspend the exercises. We do not know the number of dead, but I may say that there is not the third part of what the papers have published. I have seen only two or three houses that were destroyed by the cannonade. The Archbishop will be buried this week. I have seen him in his palace. A great crowd of people visit his corpse from morning till night. From the first day I arrived here, I saw Priests in Soutain laid out in every street. They are more respected now than ever. Mass was celebrated in almost every Church, even on the fourth day of the revolution. Last week there were more Communions on week days, in every Church, than at any time previous. The Superior of the Seminary has told me that Julius Brent, Mr. Bruner, and Hallinan are doing well.

Subscriptions:

August 3, 1848
ORDER OF VISITATION OF THE DIOCESE OF CINCINNATI BY THE RT. REV. BISHOP PURCELL.
On the 6th August (8th Sunday after Pentecost) the Furnaces, near Portsmouth, -- during the week Wilksville, Gallipolis.
On the 13th August, Pomeroy, -- during the week St. Mary's Church, Marietta; St. James' Church, Meigs' Creek.
On the 20th August St. John's Church, Malaga, - - during the week St. Dominick's, Guernsey Co.; St. John Baptist's, Athens Co.; and Chauncey.
On the 27th August St. Francis' Church, Sunday Creek, -- during the week St. Michael's, Deavertown; and the neighboring settlements attended by Rev. Mr. Farrell.
On the 3rd September St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Nicholas' Church, Zanesville, -- during the week the adjacent churches.
On the 10th Sept. Church of the Holy Trinity, Somerset, -- during the week the adjacent churches; and St. Francis of Sales' Church, Newark.
On the 17th Sept. St. Mary's Church, Lancaster, -- during the week Logan; and the Church of the Holy Cross, Columbus.

August 17, 1848
DISTRIBUTION OF PREMIUMS
At. St. Mary's Academy, Somerset, Ohio
July 27th, 1848.
[There is no text with this piece, only the premiums awarded, from which the following]
names of students have been abstracted:
Eveline Beckwith, Augusta Bidenham, Louisa Bidenham, Maria Cain, Susan Cain, Bridget Call, Cornelia Converse, Mary Cooper, Louisa Costigan, Maria Costigan, R. Costigan, Ellen Cross, Lucy Dempsey, Amanda Denis, Gertrude Dittoe, Ellen Elder, Martha Elder, Amanda Finck, Emily Finck, Matilda Finck, Martha Finck, Mary Hackett, Isabella (Isabel) Hewit, Mary Hewit, Cecilia Hunt, L. Johnson, Jane Kerns, Louisa Kerns, Sarah Kuhns, Ellen Lynch, Ellen McCormick, Catherine McDonald, Elizabeth (Eliza) McDonald, Teresa McDonough, Catherine McKenny, Mary Magruder, Eliza Monaghan, Mary O'Brien, Penelope Parker, Caroline Postlewait, Mary Redmond, A. Sheridan, Mary Sheridan, Eliza Sherwood, E. Whitehead, Hannah Whitehead, Mary Whitehead, Martha Worthen]

Subscriptions:

August 24, 1848
EPISCOPAL VISITATION. -- PORTSMOUTH. --
There were twenty-five persons confirmed here on Sunday and Monday, last of July. The congregation has been much increased by French and some German immigrants, and a society formed to pay off debts still hanging over Church and presbytery.

West Union...Cherry Fork...Ripley... Pine-Grove furnace, forty confirmed, on 6th Aug. An Ohio lady received into the Church, and two, or three other converts came for instruction. Catholics begin to abound at the furnace, in Scioto and Laurence Counties. The Church of St. Laurence, [Ironton.] Laurence County, is already too small for the congregation, and a lot has been donated and also two or three hundred dollars promised by the Messrs. Dempsey, proprietors of the Etna Furnaces for a new Church and school-house. The Bishop preached in the school and meeting house, at Etna, at the invitation of the aged and wealthy Mr. Dempsey, who was born of Catholic parents and baptised in the Church, but whose sons, daughters and numerous grandchildren have never been baptised, owing to their distance from a Church. Who can tell how many have been so lost to the truth -- or adequately thank God for facilitating the return of many to it? Nota Bene -- Laborers are much wanted at all these furnaces. They are paid good wages, allowed house, fuel, and as much garden as they choose to enclose and cultivate, and the country around is remarkable for pure air, pure water and health. What a shame that so many able bodied men should be seen idle in our streets and reduced to the ignominious resort of begging, when they might so easily obtain employment and all these privileges so near the city. The Pine-Grove is only five miles from "Hanging Rock," on the Ohio River, and the Etna furnace but four miles from Pine-Grove. -- There is church once a month, and the very best kind of virtuous, industrious, Catholic society.

Gallipolis. -- We have never passed this place, on the River, without a feeling of sadness. It seemed to us as if it was forsaken of God! We trust in His mercy that a new and better day has at length dawned upon it. A grand-daughter of one of the oldest of the original French colonists has joined the Church (the daughter of the eminent member of Congress, Mr. Vinton) and a few of the worthy French settlers, or their sons, desire to see a Catholic Church erected. They avow only temporal motives, but intimate that these may be followed by such as are of an infinitely better kind. We had no facilities we knew of for offering the Holy Sacrifice in a town where all were once, at least, baptized Catholics; but we afterwards, although too late for this occasion, discovered with heartfelt pleasure that a most respectable and fervent German Catholic, M. Dages, had recently moved hither with his family from Portsmouth, who would have preferred to
any earthly treasure that his residence should have been so highly honored. We must not close this notice of a place which has been the object of many an earnest prayer, without expressing our deep obligations to Peter Menager Esq. and his estimable family for many acts of kindness and encouraging words for the future. God grant that the hopes so excited may be realized and that, with true faith and piety, a town and country possessing so many resources for prosperity may prosper!

St. Joseph's, four miles from Wilksville and twenty from Gallipolis, built on the land donated to the Church by the worthy Mr. Quinn, deceased, has much increased. There were fourteen confirmed. And we had here the consolation of meeting a family of Irish origin, consisting of twelve persons, who had been raised in Kentucky, far away from the Church and, if all educated in religion, in a false one, who located here and are all coming into the bosom of the true Church. One, a young lady, was publicly baptized and married to an Irish Catholic during our visit. The hills around are healthy. A stream of purest water, a strata of coal, another of iron and another of limestone, under a tolerably fair vegetable mould are frequently found on the same hill side. Land can be obtained at from 2 and 3 to 7 dollars per acre.

From Wilksville to Pomeroy, Meigs Co. twenty-five miles; here we found the foundations of a new Church solidly built of stone, far above the High Water Mark. Catholics are crowding in here in considerable numbers, fifty or sixty persons went to Holy Communion at the house of Mr. Gibbins, where the Holy Sacrifice was offered, and seventeen persons were confirmed; The Bishop preached to large and attentive audiences, among whom were a few Protestant ministers, at 3 P.M. and again at 7 in [the] evening in the old Court-house which now belongs to a Lutheran, or Dutch Reformed congregation, as a meeting-house.

Marietta -- nineteen confirmed. A school house and a new Church are wanted here. We hope to see the congregation make a successful effort to build, immediately, the school-house.

Subscriptions: William McCadden, Zanesville, O.; J. O'Rourke, Rehoboth, O.

August 31, 1848

OBITUARY

Departed this life on the 16th inst., in the convent of St. Mary's, Somerset, Sister CATHARINE BECK, in the 33d year of her age.

In recording the death of Sister Catharine, it is with pleasure we have it in our power to say, she died the death of the just, so far as it is in the power of those who knew her well, to judge; endowed with every disposition of a true and faithful Religious, she was a model for all in her community, in the strict practice of the duties of her vocation. She embraced the Order of St. Dominick on the 15th of August, 1835, and on the 30th of August, 1836, made her solemn vows, taking St. Catharine of Sienna as her Patroness. She was a native of England, of respectable parents, being niece of Right Rev. Bishop Walsh, of the midland district, England. She was, indeed, of rare virtue before she entered the Order, and endeavored to advance daily in the paths of perfection.

Also -- Departed this life on the 15th inst., Mrs. ELIZABETH DUGAN, of Zanesville. This venerable lady was in the 102nd year of her age, leaving behind her a numerous progeny, numbering, it is believed, near 300 descendants. As she lived, she has died a true servant of her Divine Master; innocent in regard of the maxims of the world, her whole thoughts were directed to heaven; no afflictions, however great she occasionally endured, could divert her from God. His adorable will be done was, under the greatest trials, her solace. Especially devoted to the Blessed Virgin, she placed the greatest
confidence in her powerful intercession, no day passing without reciting often the devotion of the Rosary. May her children and their descendants be guided by her example. A large concourse of the citizens attended her burial, which was performed with great solemnity, by a solemn Mass, celebrated by Rev. F. Cubero, and an impressive sermon, on the life of this good lady, by Rev. N. D. Young, pastor of the Somerset church. May they rest in peace.

(To be continued)

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Tombstone Inscriptions
"Old St. Peter's"
Wheelersburg, Ohio

This cemetery property is above Sugar Camp Road, in the south half of the northwest quarter of section 13, Porter Township, Scioto County. The original lot, measuring 6 by 13 rods, together with a right of way down the hill to the road, was donated to Bishop Purcell in 1849 by Eberhardt and Mary Adelaide Frische "for and in consideration of our attachment and devotion to the Roman Catholic Church and $1.00." (Scioto County deed record R/526) As recorded on these tombstones, two members of Eberhard's family had already been laid to rest on the plot by that time.

The Frisches donated additional land next to the original lot in 1863. The log church was used, whenever a priest from Pine Grove or elsewhere visited, until replaced by a frame church nearer the village in 1885. The present brick church was dedicated in 1941.

These inscriptions were recorded by Rev. Peter Gideon, present pastor of Wheelersburg, and Mark R. Gideon.

Unis Friel wife of Dennis O'Donnall Born May 10, 1839 Died June 22, 1859.

Frances dau of M. A. & W. Hock born July 31, 1847 Died Nov. 26, 1853.

Maria Anna wife of William Hock born Dec. 20, 1813 Died July 10, 1856.

Andy Donsbach born Nov. 6, 1815 Died Sept. 6, 1869.

John Rubert was drowned June 15, 1852.


Josefene daughter of John & Sariah Byer born Sept. 8, 1820 Died June 15, 1851.


Hier Ruht Everhard Heinrich Frische gestorben den 19 Juli 1854 im Alter von 73 Jahre R.I.P. (German inscription)

Elizabeth wife of Michael Scherer born Feb. 9, 1839 Died Dec. 18, 1858. (German inscription)
Hier ruht Maria Angelica Ehefrau von Heinrich Frischer, geboren zu Twischringen (?) Konig: Hannover den 6 April 1837 gest: den 2 April 1863. (German inscription)

Hier Ruhet Franz Kramer gestorben den 17 Marz 1858 im Alter von 27 Jahren. (German inscription)


Mary daughter of J. & E. Miller Died Oct. 13, 1858 Aged 6 yrs & 6 d's.

Hier ruhet Franz Edward Sohn von Heinrich & Maria Angelica Frischer geb. 14 Jan. 1863 gest. 23 Feb. 1863 (German inscription).

Ellen Murray wife of J. P. Dautremont died Dec. 10, 1863 Aged 26 yrs 9 mos 13 ds. May her soul rest in peace.

Maria Adelbert geboren Stoewer Frau von Eberhard Frische geboren in Tu'isiringen (?) --- Hannover gestorben den 26th Feb. 1876 im alter von 68 Jahr. (German inscription).

Elizabeth Tochter von Adam & Martha Wernsmann geboren den 30 Sep. 1854 gestorben 16 Mai 1856.

Goodhart Son of John and Sariah Byer born Aug. 7, 1853 Died June 8, 1856 Aged 2 yrs 10 mo 1 dy.

Hier ruht in Gott Hanna Haubert geboren den 17 Marz 1796 Gestorben den 10 June 1859 Alter 63 Jahre 2 Mon 23 Tage.

John Hobard died Sept. 29, 1863 Aged 74 yrs 9 ms & 4 ds.

Hier ruhet Maria Elizabeth geboren Heiermeier Frau von Hermann Luebke geb. den 1 Nov. 1843 gest. den 23 Feb. 1863 (German inscr.)

Hier ruhet Heinrich Sohn von H. & M. E. Luebke geb. 23 Feb. 1863 gest. 20 Juli 1863 (German inscription).

Hier ruht in Gott Eberhardi Frische (?) Gestorben in Alter von 66 Jahren 4 Monaten und 6 Tagen.

In memory of Caroline wife of Peter Shoemaker born July 29, 1825, died June 23, 1881 Aged 55 years 10 ms 24 ds.

Elizabeth wife of J. Schwamberger died June 29, 1869 aged 41 years.

Hier ruht in Gott Conrad Stapf gestorben den 23 Sept. 1871 im Alter von 74 Jarhen.

Catharine A. wife of J. H. Lipker died July 28, 1882, aged 76 yrs 1 mo & 4 ds.

Catharine E. Barney wife of Jacob Bowers died Oct. 23, 1883 Aged 28 yrs, 6 ms & 23 ds.

Mary wife of Phillip Donsbach died Mar. 24, 1883 Aged 48 yrs.

Peter Kennedy born in County Meath, Ireland June 29, 1826 died Mar. 13, 1875.

Mary wife of Peter Nathan died April 12, 1875 aged 80 years. May her soul rest in peace.

J. Hammerstein born Mar. 9, 1793 died Sept. 15, 1871.

Katharina wife of P. Assman, born Dec. 7, 1824, died Aug. 31, 1876.
John H. Lipker died Mar. 24, 1868 Aged 66 yrs 3 mo & 16 ds. May he rest in peace.

Anastachia wife of Constantine Fuller died July 15, 1868 in the 77th year of her age.

Anna K. wife of J. Hammerstein born Aug. 22, 1801, died Dec. 18, 1873.

P. Assman born June 4, 1815 died Apr. 9, 1878

Magdalena wife of G. Steppe born May 3, 1811 died Dec. 18, 1865.

Dearest mother thou hast left
Here thy loss we deeply feel
But tis God that hath bereft us
He can all our sorrow heal.

Lawrence son of Christopher & Margaret Flanagan died Oct. 6, 1865, Aged 12 yrs 2 ms 17 ds.

John son of Christopher and Margaret Flanagan died Aug. 28, 1865 Aged 16 yrs 10 ms & 14 ds.


Catherine wife of Pat'k Flanagan died Aug. 13, 1861 Aged 30 years. May she rest in peace.

Josephena dau of S. & C. Dold died June 4, 1865 Aged 4 mos.

Christian Steppe born June 3, 1805 died May 22, 1865

Sleep Father and take your rest
The dearest friend we ever had
"Twas hard indeed to part with thee
But God's strong arm supported me.


She was lovely she was fair
And for awhile was given
An angel came and claimed his own
And bore her home to heaven.


Faragus Kerr died Nov. 28, 1864. Aged 43 years.

Della Werner gestorben Sept. 26, 1880. Ulter 78 Jahr.

Jos. Neu Co. H. 17 Mo. INF.

Mary wife of Christian Aberts died Sept. 7, 1879 Aged 25 Y 10 M 15 D.


William son of Valentine & Maria Spiller (or Stiller) died June 12, 1861 Aged 1 yr 7 mos 4 ds.