

## **Portland Daily Commercial, Jay County, IN; April 24, 1894**

Elisha Wright, son of William and Celia Wright, was born at Washington (now Green's Fork,) Wayne County, Ind., December 25th, 1831; died at his home in Portland, April 17th, 1894, aged 62 years 3 months and 22 days. He was first married to Emily Osborn, December 29th, 1853. They came to Jay county and settled near Pennville, in February, 1855. On the 24th of October of that year he was separated from his young wife by the hand of death. On the 25th of December, 1856, he was again married to Elizabeth J. Hiatt, to whom were born five sons and three daughters, who with their mother, survive to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and father, except one son that died in infancy. He also leaves three brothers and one sister. By careful and diligent labor, he aquired [sic] a competency of this world's goods. He was of a lively, social, disposition with his family and intimate friends, a kind husband and father and an obliging neighbor. He was born and educated a Friend, but was lost sight of by his home church, and while his name may have been retained on the records, yet he and his wife made request and were received into membership by Portland monthly meeting, in the Pennville preparation meeting, and was a worthy and faithful member. Only a few days before his sickness he attended and took great interest in a revival meeting and the building up of a church in the neighborhood of his old home. His profession of religion was largely manifested by his life. He was fond of reading his bible and good books. During his sickness he prayed earnestly, and said that he was ready to go, and soon after quietly passed away. Funeral services were held in the friends church at Portland, April 19th, at 10:30 a.m. conducted by E.C and M.B. Thornton. Internment in Pennville Cemetery.

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