

JENNINGS COUNTY.

PROF. E. T. COX,

State Geologist of Indiana :

DEAR SIR:—Agreeable with your letter of instructions, of April 21, 1875, I have closely traced the geological formations of Jennings and Ripley counties, Indiana; observed the character and position of pre-historic mounds; inquired into the agricultural and manufacturing interests, and herewith respectfully submit notes on the same.

Yours Truly,

WM. W. BORDEN.

New Providence, Ind., Jan. 1, 1876.

DESCRIPTION.

Jennings county was organized in 1816, and named in honor of Jonathan Jennings, the first Governor of the State of Indiana. It is bounded on the north by Bartholomew and Decatur counties, east by Ripley and Jefferson, south by Jefferson and Scott, and on the west mainly by Jackson and Bartholomew counties. The east and west sides of the county are nearly parallel, but the north and south borders are very irregular. This county contains 375 square miles, or 240,375 acres. Enumeration of children for school in 1874, 3,834. The surface of the county bordering all the streams, is very much broken, while rich