# THE GERMANS in New Brunswick, New Jersey

The record of five hundred and forty male immigrants from Germany to New Brunswick, N. J., and vicinity during a fifty-year period 1838 to 1888.

The contribution they and their descendants have made to their Community

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# To My Wife Clotilde Bertha Gertrude

Whose Parents
Ludwig F. Schirmer
and his wife
Anna A. Groebl
came from Germany,
met in America, and
established their home.

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#### PREFACE

The inspiration for this study came when I was asked to write a paper in 1929 on the four German churches of New Brunswick, N. J., for the 250th anniversary of the city which was celebrated in 1930.

Out of this grew suggestions from prominent citizens that the story of the early Germans who came to the city be written. My first informant was Mr. Fritz Wittig—9 Hardenbergh Street.

What is here said can also be said of other nationalities in this community. The contribution which immigrants from various European countries have made to American life is not only interesting but very stimulating.

The heroic efforts of these pioneers should not be overlooked, and their labors should be gratefully remembered. I am not a German nor the son of German parents. I have not yet succeeded to trace the European birthplace of my ancestors; on my father's side five generations have lived in Eastern Pennsylvania and in Ohio where I was born, and on my mother's side four generations likewise.

My early environment and the ideals and ambitions of my benefactors who educated me and prepared me for bilingual work are responsible for my interest not only in the Germans but other European peoples among whom I have worked here in America.

My motive thus in presenting this study is merely one of acknowledgment and recognition of accomplishments in life for the better life of others. When I came into this community I soon saw that it offered an excellent opportunity for work such as this. The writer had no printed or written material to refer to, and the few references in the historical books and documents were very scant and meager. This information had to be gathered almost entirely by personal interviews with descendants and acquaintances of these ear-

ly Germans, and by correspondence with relatives living at a distance. Most of this letter writing was gladly and cheerfully done by others who were at once interested in my efforts.

The files of Naturalization papers at the County Records Building were of no help. It is only since 1906 that such records were filed. This study includes only those coming before the year 1888. In years to come it will be an easy matter to continue this work—due to better records. However, had I waited a few more years, these facts could not have been gathered, as most of my best informants have passed on.

The first attempt at a City Directory was made in 1855. A copy of this is in the Free City Library. It is very incomplete. For example, I have established the residence of at least 85 German families in New Brunswick at that time, yet only two of these names are in the directory. The following histories were carefully read.

- 1. History of Union and Middlesex County by Clayton contains only two names of Germans,—Christopher Meyer and Philip Kuhlthau.
- 2. The Story of the old Farm by Andrew D. Mellick, Jr. No mention of Germans in Middlesex County.
- 3. The Hessians of New Jersey by Andrew D. Mellick, Jr.,—I will quote from this book later.
- 4. Settlers of the Raritan contains no reference to any Germans.
- 5. Early Germans of New Jersey by N. J. Chambers, published 1895. No Germans of Middlesex County mentioned.
- 6. Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society, second series, volumes 6 to 10, 1879-1889—No mention of any Germans.
  - 7. History of New Brunswick by Benedict-no mention.
- 8. A Biographical History of New Jersey by Folsom—no mention of Germans.

In other words, there are no printed records with the exception of the few files in the Library of Rutgers University, and these are newspaper clippings of comparatively few prominent individuals. It was also discovered that newspaper obituaries were often defective and unreliable.

It was therefore necessary to examine hundreds of private papers and family Bible records.

Other sources where names were gotten and each one in turn investigated:

- 1. The Third or Guilden Street Reformed Church.
- The St. John's German, now the Livingston Avenue Reformed Church.
- 3. St. John's German Catholic Church.
- 4. The Emanuel German Lutheran Church.
- The First Reformed Church 1867—
- 6. The Helvetia Lodge of the Odd Fellows.
- 7. Eintracht Singing Society.
- 8. Aurora Singing Society.
- 9. Kranken-Verein.
- 10. Turn-Verein.
- 11. A History Published by the Daily Home News 1909.

No biography of any individuals and no genealogy of any family is here attempted. A few facts on the work of each person were gathered and the deductions are made. Most of the descendants of these families still live in New Brunswick, very few having moved away. A total of 540 names have been accepted as of persons born in Germany. All of these were definitely known by my informants who, in most cases, were relatives or close acquaintances. In addition to these 81 others were investigated, and because they were not born in Germany, or came to New Brunswick since 1888, their names are not included. A few examples of these are Doctor Chester David Hartranft. Frequently his name was mentioned to me, and I was reminded to include his name. He was pastor of the Second Reformed Church 1866-78. He was a German scholar and was sent to Germany to

collect the writings of the Schwenckfeldians. He died in Germany. But he was born at Frederick, Pa. The reader is referred to "Biographical Record of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary" by Dr. John Howard Raven, p. 118. Rev. Jacob Rusten Hardenbergh, pastor of First Reformed Church, 1786-1790, was born at Rosendale, New York, being the great-grandson of Johannes, who migrated from Germany in 1650. See Manual of the Reformed Church of America by Dr. Edward T. Corwin, page 56.

The third and last case I will mention is one which I might rightfully include in this list and very likely should; for that reason I am making this explanation. His work in New Brunswick and Middlesex county was all done through the Dutch language and if he spoke German there seems to be no record to that effect. I refer to Hendrick Fisher (Visscher), born in a German province of lower Palatinate. Moved to Holland when still a mere child and then his family came to America as exiles from Holland in 1703 and settled near Bound Brook when he was only six years old. He became a lay preacher and used the Dutch language, and some of his sermons are published. He was connected with the First Reformed Church and preached there frequently.

- See: 1. Proceedings of New Jersey Historical Society, series III-IV, p. 129.
  - 2. History of Rutgers College by Dr. William H. S. Demarest, p. 56, etc.
  - 3. History of The First Reformed Church of New Brunswick, published 1867, p. 65-66.

The author wishes to express his deep gratitude to the librarians of Rutgers University and also the Sage Library, and his sincere appreciation to all those hundreds in all walks of life who rendered him valuable service in gathering this material. The courtesy and kind reception extended me, as a comparative stranger in the community, and the willingness shown added much joy and satisfaction to my work. The enthusiasm and seriousness shown by those

consulted is a fine tribute to themselves as well as their ancestors for the high regard in which their memory is held. The fine acquaintances and contacts made will ever be cherished. I should very much like to mention all by name yet that would make a list larger than the names listed here. It was necessary in many cases to consult as many as a dozen persons to get all the facts of a single individual here mentioned.

Mr. George A. Osborn, librarian of Rutgers University Library, was a great help to me in many ways.

The writer has put forth special effort to be just and fair to all, irrespective of class or station in life, religion, or creed. He would regret very much if any names are omitted and if there should be any, it is not because of lack of effort on his part.

Additional memoranda material gathered by the writer which is not included in this book has been turned over to The Rutgers University Library for those who might be interested in future research.

The extra blank pages in this book are for future additional facts as the reader may be interested in continuing the records.

Carlofframm

New Brunswick, N. J. June 10, 1938

## CHAPTER I.

# GERMAN MIGRATIONS TO NEW JERSEY.

It may be said with certainty that the first Germans to settle permanently in New Brunswick came about 100 years ago, the first one being Mr. Christopher Meyer in 1838. Mr. John Spillie came in 1840 but returned to Germany after a few years and then came back just before the Civil War.

In 1841 four others came and this agrees with a statement handed down by Mr. Martin Kline that in 1842 there were 6 German families in New Brunswick. This statement has been printed repeatedly.

I had not known of this statement until I had tabulated more than 200 names, and upon reading it I checked up on the data I had, and exactly 6 families had come here by 1842. The tabulation of the years these immigrants came to New Brunswick also shows this. During the next 7 years 32 arrived here. In 1850, 51 came in that one year. This is in agreement with the migration statistics from Germany to the United States. From 1821-1830, only 729 Germans came to America, an average of about 73 per year.

From 1831-1840, there were 15,245.

From 1841-1850, there were 43,462.

From 1851-1860, there were 95,166.

These are the figures takes from the U. S. Bureau of Immigration and published in the book, "Famous Germans in America," "Beruehmte Deutsche in America" by Dr. H. J. Ruetenik, p. 449-500. In the year 1880 there were 64,935 Germans in the State of New Jersey. The author just referred to came to the U. S. at the same time as did Karl Schurz, Dr. Gustavus Fischer of Rutgers, and a host of others mostly University men in protest to Bismarck's policies. Dr. Fischer, who came to New Brunswick, was a classmate

of Bismarck and an opposing candidate for political office in Germany. I studied under Dr. Ruetenik, a leading educator in the middle west, for 5 years, and was his secretary while at college. However, the Germans started to settle in the State of New Jersey as early as 1730, in what was known as the German Valley in Morris County, and from there they went into Somerset, Bergen and Essex counties. A very fine account of this is found in a book of more than 600 pages published in 1895—"The Early Germans of New Jersey" by Chambers. In it is this statement: "At Elizabeth there were many Germans prior to 1730." But there is no reference at all to New Brunswick or Middlesex County. If any Germans had been in New Brunswick during this period they surely would have been mentioned in this excellent book.

It has been contended by some that the Hessians had settled in New Brunswick. After careful research this is not established. Some may have passed through here and stopped over for a day or so, but these were only visits. Tradition has it that in passing through here they stopped at the "Guest Home" which was located at Livingston Avenue and Carroll Place. While this is probable, it has not been historically established. The writer of the story of the Guest House written for the Daughters of the American Revolution, Miss Mary Josephine Atkinson, told me personally that she had no knowledge of Hessians ever occupying the Guest House.

This however is true, from the study at hand, that the largest number of emigrants who settled in New Brunswick and vicinity from any given state in Germany from 1838 to 1888 came from Hesse. See Chapter III. And they have made a most commendable contribution to the community, as is very evident on almost every page of this book. Many of their descendants today hold offices of trust and responsibility and are active in practically all of our community enterprises.

I was hoping to find something in the book on "The Hes-

sians in New Jersey" by Andrew D. Mellick, Jr., as it has often been mentioned in the interviews I had on the subject. The nearest to it is this quotation taken from the book:

"On the slope of a Somerset Hill—a house—lies back from the Meadows that border the North Branch of the Raritan River just where Peapack Brook loses itself in that stream. Built by the writer's great-grandfather Johannes Moelich in the year 1752. He emigrated in the year 1735 from Bendorf, Germany, a few miles from Coblenz on the banks of the Rhine. At the outset of the Revolution, Johannes Moelich had died—the head of the Stone House was his eldest son Aaron who was born in Germany in 1725. He was beyond the age required for service in the militia, but was a member of the Bedminister Committee of observation and inspection. Johannes' second son Andrew enlisted on the Memorial Day of The Declaration of Independence and rose to the command of the first Sussex Regiment."

The writer in this book makes a noble defense of the "Hessians" over against the hatred Jersey people had for them. He cites their distinguished services and records.

A Brunswick officer named Goff is referred to, also Mr. Stulzoe of the Brunswick Dragoons. (New Brunswick was commonly called Brunswick at that time). The names are only mentioned in a complimentary way. This is the only reference to New Brunswick in the book. This was also the only book on the Hessians in New Jersey known of, and no reference in other histories.

There was a settlement of Germans at Martinsville, N. J., near Bound Brook, about the same time that Germans came to New Brunswick.

Sebastian Zimmerman, who came from Heppenheim, Hesse, settled there in 1842. There were 11 children in this family and all came ultimately to New Brunswick except one who stayed on the old Homestead.

Mr. Zimmerman came to New Brunswick to market his produce.

There were about a dozen families in Martinsville.

Their nearest church was at Coon-Town, that was Lutheran, then Reformed, and now Congregational. A son, Sebastian Zimmerman, was baptized there by Dr. Neff. There was also a settlement in Milltown, N. J., about the same time, perhaps later than New Brunswick, the first being Mr. Philip Kuhlthau.

## CHAPTER II

# NAMES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE 540 MEN

The order in which the facts of each person are here given:

German State from which they came, based on the map of Germany of this period as published by Hammond.

The year they settled in New Brunswick.

The Profession, Occupation, or Business they pursued.

Civil War service, public office held, special items of interest.

Descendants of the second and third generation, special accomplishments.

#### A

ABECKER, LUDWIG, Palatinate, 1888, machinist and engineer.

ACKER, ANDREW, Baden, 1849, rubber worker, one of the founders of the St. John's Roman Catholic Church.

ACKER, HENRY, Baden, 1848, painter, lost his life in the Civil War. His son Frank went to war with his father and was shot off his horse twice.

AHRENS, CARL, Mecklenburg, 1857, coachman, had charge of canal boat mules.

ALBERT, FREDERICK, Saxony, 1852, shoemaker.

ALBRECHT, WILLIAM, Prussian Pomerania, 1869, farmer and gardener. (See Chapter VI for grandsons William A. and Theodore H. Miller.)

ANDRES, GEORGE, Baden, 1860, farmer.

## B

BABEL, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1875, rubber shop.

BAESCHEN, CHARLES, East Prussia, 1880, cigar store.

BAIER, GEORGE G., Wuerttemberg, 1868, served in the Civil War before coming here, meat packer. His sons, George F., city commissioner, Joseph G., a teacher of the sciences and a justice of the peace, he was a great help to the writer of this book. Grand-

son George G., city commissioner. Grandson Edwin W. Eden, mayor of Highland Park. (See Chapter VI, son Joseph G., also 17 grandchildren, Baier 12 and Eden 5).

BAIERL, JOHN, Bavaria, 1880, rubber shop.

BAKER, PETER, Bavaria, 1847, boot-maker; his daughter, Mrs. J. Herrman, is one of the best informed on the Germans in New Brunswick, having been the caretaker of the Auroa Hall for many years.

BANK, REV. CARL, D.D., Oldenburg, 1868, Pastor of the St. John's German Reformed Church for 36 years (see Chapter VII and the two volumes of history of the Livingston Avenue Reformed Church, 1931 and 1936.) His son Charles M., cartoonist and journalist, publishing "Watkins Weekly" (see Chapter VI).

BANKER, FRANK, Hanover, 1865, milk business.

BANKER, HENRY, Hanover, 1865, watchman at Rolfe lumber yard 38 years.

BANKER, HERMAN, Hanover, 1865, coal business.

BANKER, WILLIAM, Hanover, 1865, grocery store.

BARANONSKY, AUGUST FREDERICK, East Prussia, 1870, gardener and florist.

BARNHARDT, FRITZ, Hesse, 1872, rubber shop.

BARR, AUGUST, East Prussia, 1875, rubber worker.

BARTENFELT, C., Switzerland, 1865, polisher in the button factory.

BASCHONG, REINHART, Switzerland, 1880, railroad conductor. Son William World War service in France and Alsace Loraine.

BAUER, FREDERICK, Berlin, 1855, truck farmer.

BAUER, WILLIAM, Berlin, 1855, florist, had charge of the enlistment of soldiers for the Civil War.

BAUER, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1870, bakery. His grandson George Bauer, supervisor of the Bureau of Recreation. (See Chapter VI, Grandsons George and Robert Bauer.)

BAUER, MORRIS, Switzerland, 1850, tailor, served in the Civil War, his son Morris, Jr., member of the Board of Education for 23 years and then the secretary of the Board. His daughter Emma was a school teacher. (See Chapter VI.)

- BAURIES, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1856, farmer near Milltown, N. J. His great grandchildren Frederick E. and John A. are with the Pullman Company, and Elizabeth M. is a secretary.
- BAUMAN, ADAM, Baden, 1877, wheelwright.
- BAUMAN, JOHN, Baden, 1883, bookkeeper.
- BECK, J., Wuerttemberg, 1870, rubber worker.
- BECKER, RUDOLPH H., Prussia, 1861, hotel. He drove the first pick for the New Brunswick Horse Railroad Co. His son John H., alderman and Jury Commissioner.
- BELHOFF, JOHN, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1880, bakery. His son Louis a freeholder.
- BELHOFF, LOUIS, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1877, bakery. His son, William, and his daughter, Mrs. Catherine Clickner, assisted him in the bakery.
- BENZ, PHILIP H., Baden, 1881, cigar manufacturer. (See Chapter VI, daughter Louise Cathrine and son Philip Henry.)
- BERG, J., Hesse, 1860, rubber worker and milk man.
- BERGMAN, ALBERT, Berlin, 1863, cabinet maker.
- BERLINEKE, ERNST, Hanover, 1876, butcher.
- BINDSEIL, HENRY, Hanover, 1877, weaver and dyer. His son Nicholas W. is an attorney. (See Chapter VI, grandsons Wm. K. and Geo. A. Kalteissen.)
- BITZER, CHRISTIAN, Wuerttemberg, 1860, rubber worker.
- BLUM, HENRY, Alsace-Loraine, 1875, millinery store.
- BOEHLER, ADAM, Bavaria, 1885, brewery.
- BOEHM, JOHN, Oberzell, Hesse, 1855, rubber worker.
- BOLLMAN, HENRY, Prussia, 1885, rubber worker.
- BOLDT, WILLIAM, Hesse, 1872, coachman for Mr. Christopher Meyer, later conducted a hotel.
- BORNHEIMER, JOHN, Sr., Hesse-Darmstadt, 1845, farmer, rubberworker, hotel.
- BOSER, MICHAEL, Bavaria, 1882, bologna manufacturer.
- BRELENBERG, PETER, Baden, 1850, rubber worker.
- BRENKMANN, GEORGE H., Hanover, 1850, gardener.
- BROCKMANN, F., Hanover, 1872, farmer.

BROCKMANN, WILLIAM CARL, Hanover, 1872, land-scape gardener.

BROGLEY, THEODORE, Switzerland, 1850, tailor.

BROOM, CHRISTIAN, Saxony, 1870, butcher.

BRUNS, FREDERICK, Hanover, 1887, confectioner. His son Charles H. succeeded him in his business.

BURGUNDER, ADAM, Prussia, 1872, rubber worker, farmer.

BUSCH, FRANZ, Bavaria, 1871, brush maker.

BUSCH, HENRY, Hanover, 1871, rubber worker.

BUSCH, LOUIS, Hanover, 1871, rubber worker. In later years a messenger for the New Brunswick Trust. He was a great help to the writer by giving valuable and accurate information.

BUSMANN, JOHN, Baden, 1877, wall paper worker.

 $\mathbf{C}$ 

CHRIST, ADAM, Oberzell, Hesse, 1881, carpenter who built the Michlein houses in Milltown.

CHRIST, BERTHOLD, Oberzell, Hesse, 1873, rubber worker. Member of the Board of Education in Milltown for 16 years, member of the Council for 12 years, and superintendent of the St. Paul's Reformed Sunday-school for 35 years. His son George E. musican.

CHRIST, JOHN, Oberzell, Hesse, 1856, rubber worker and carpenter in the rubber shop and in the button shop.

CHRIST, JOHN, Oberzell, Hesse, 1865, rubber worker and farmer.

CHRIST, JOHN HENRY, Oberzell, Hesse, 1872, cabinet maker.

CHRIST, JOHN, Oberzell, Hesse, 1883, rubber worker, councilman in Milltown 3 years and tax collector 3 years.

CLAUS, JOHN, Wuerttemberg, 1877, butcher.

COLLINGS, LEONARD, Palatinate, 1860, carpenter.

CONSELMANN, KARL, Bavaria, 1871, hotel.

COSTER, JOHN, Rhenish-Prussia, 1881, stationary engineer.

CRENNER, JOSEPH W., Sr., Brandenburg, Prussia, 1843, farmer and grist mill; also operated a bone button shop near Milltown.

DAEUBLER, LEONARD, Wuerttemberg, 1882, rubber worker.

DAHMER, GEORGE, Frankford, Hesse, 1860, merchant tailor. Served in the Civil War. His son John is a contractor and made the first cement block in New Brunswick.

DAHMER, JACOB, Hesse, 1857, painter, decorator. Served in the Civil War.

DARMSTADT, PHILIP, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1877, bakery.

DECKERT, GEORGE, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1876, florist.

DEINZER, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1852, farmer, meat market; he was one of the founders of the St. John's Roman Catholic Church.

DEINZER, JOHN, Bavaria, 1854, meat market. His son, John, Jr., city clerk.

DEWALD, REV. J. A., D.D., Alsace-Loraine, 1878. Pastor of the Emanuel German Lutheran Church almost 50 years (see Chapter VII). Member of the Board of Education and chairman of the teachers' committee. Taught Greek and German at Rutgers University. (See Chapter VI for son Ernest and daughters, Emma, Martha, and Bertha, also granddaughters Baier, Elizabeth E., Zimmerman, Marie, and grandsons Baier, Robert, Joseph G., Jr., Frederick, and Richard. Zimmerman, Charles DeWald.)

DIEGEL, KARL, Prussia, 1874, bakery.

DINGELFELD, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1879, rubber worker.

DINGELFELD, JOHN, Bavaria, 1880, rubber worker.

DOHM, ANDRES, Bavaria, 1850, rubber worker. Served in the Civil War.

DOHM, GEORGE, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1860, rubber worker, bakery, and served in the Civil War.

DORN, CONRAD, Hesse, 1881, rubber worker.

DORN, HENRY, Hesse-Nassau, 1870, rubber worker.

DORN, JOHN, Hesse-Nassau, 1872, shoemaker.

DORSCH, JOHN, Hanover, 1850, farmer.

DOTZLER, JOHN, Bavaria, 1846, first policeman in the city. He received no salary, but was paid by the number of arrests made and warrants served.

DRISKEL, KARL, Palatinate, 1875, barber.

EBERHARDT, JACOB, Hesse, 1875, turner in the rubber shop.

EBERHARDT, FREDERICK, Hesse, 1870, shoemaker.

ECKERT, CASPER AUGUSTUS, Wuerttemberg, 1868, potter. His son Agustus is a carpenter and served on the building Committee of the Livingston Ave. Reformed Church.

EIECHLER, FREDERICK, Bavaria, 1888, rubber worker. ENGELS, JOHN, Cologne, Rhenish-Prussia, 1850, rubber worker. His daughter, Mrs. Margaret Acker, was a valuable informant to the writer of this book.

EPPINGER, JOHN, Wuerttemberg, 1882, hotel.

ERATH, FRANZ XAVIER, Baden, 1860, helper in Elmwood Cemetery for many years.

EYMAN, DANIEL, Bavaria, 1881, rubber worker.

## F

FEIHLE, ABRAHAM, Wuerttemberg, 1872, hotel, free-holder, tax assessor.

FELLER, BALZER, Oberzell, Hesse, 1866, rubber worker, farmer.

FELLER, JOHN B., Oberzell, Hesse, 1866, rubber worker. FINK, CONRAD, Bavaria, 1851, tailor. His son Henry a plumber.

FINZEL, JOHN, Bavaria, 1875, tobacco store, justice of the peace.

FISCHER, JACOB, Bavaria, 1855, clerk in the Weigel hardware store.

FISCHER, JACOB, Palatinate, 1870, farmer.

FISCHER, JOHN, Palatinate, 1860, farmer.

FISCHER, JOHANN HEINRICH AUGUST, LL. D., (called) Gustavus Fischer, Potsdam, Prussia, 1859. He was a classmate of Prince Otto Bismarck and they were often opposing candidates for public offices. After coming to the United States he lived in New York, Giuseppe Garibaldi (exiled from Italy) and he were good friends, and they went into business together to manufacture tallow candles, and operated about midway between New Brunswick and Metuchen, N. J. The factory was, however, early des-

troyed by fire. Dr. Fischer then took up farming and grew tomatoes. It was while he was marketing a load of tomatoes in New Brunswick that he met Dr. Theodore Frelinghuysen, president of Rutgers, and that very same day he was appointed a professor of modern languages at Rutgers. He also conducted a school for boys, and wrote Latin text books which gave him recognition as a Latin scholar. During the Civil War he trained students and others in military science, having gained a good rank in the German army. See Rutgers Alumni Monthly, Vol. 9, No. 8, page 257. Also The New Brunswick Sunday Times, November 23, 1930. (Sons Joseph and Robert see Chapter VI.)

FLACHSBARTH, FREDERICK, Prussia, 1870, lodging house.

FLIEDNER, RUDOLPH, Baden, 1879, box manufacturer. FRANK, C., Bavaria, 1870, gardener.

FRANK, WILLIAM, Bavaria, 1846, the original confectioner and ice cream garden. He was one of the organizers of the Auroa Singing Society.

FREITAG, AUGUST, Wuerttemberg, 1865, rubber worker, also hat store.

FRICKE, ADOLPH, Prussia, 1879, butcher.

FRIES, GEORGE, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1855, shoemaker, served in the Civil War.

FRISCH, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1883, rubber worker, general trucking, contractor.

FRISCH, JOHN, Bavaria, 1875, general worker.

FRISCH, MICHAEL, Bavaria, 1885, rubber worker, farmer, clerk in Strong's hardware store 7 years, opened his own hardware store, and his sons John and George are in business with him. He was of great help to the author because of his varied activities among the Germans.

FUCHS, JOHN, Alsace-Loraine, 1867, worked in rubber shop, where he lost both his arms.

FUCHS, MICHAEL, Bavaria, 1864, coachman, gardener.

FUNK, HENRY, Hanover, 1847, farmer.

FUNKE, WILLIAM, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1880, rubber worker.

- GARLING, FREDERICK, Mecklenburg, 1852, boot and shoe maker, had a shoe store. Served in the Civil War.
- GARTENLOEHNER, K., Bavaria, 1865, tailor.
- GAUB, WILLIAM, Sr., Hesse, 1860, bakery.
- GAUB, WILLIAM, Jr., Hesse, 1870, butcher, (see Capter VI. Sons John and William, daughters Elsie and Alma).
- GEBHARDT, FREDERICK A., Bavaria, 1870, shoemaker, hotel. His son Frederick A. continued the business (see Chapter VI for grandson Frederick W. G. Gebhart).
- GEBHARDT, JOSEPH, Kurhesse, 1845, farmer, bakery. Sons A. J. and Frederick both were freeholders.
- GEBHARDT, KASPER, Oberzell, Hesse, 1860, rubber worker.
- GEIPEL, ADAM, Austria, 1858, shoe manufacturer. Served in the Civil War. His son George, metal gasket manufacturer.
- GEIPEL, JOHN, Austria, 1845, shoe manufacturer.
- GEITNER, EMIL, Saxony, 1870, scissors grinder, also worked in the fruit jar factory.
- GEITNER, OTTO, Saxony, 1870, musician, piano tuner. Had a music store.
- GERHARDT, GEORGE, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1863, shoemaker, postmaster at East Millstone.
- GERHARDT, PETER, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1861, shoemaker.
- GLOCK, W1LLIAM, Kurhesse, 1874, butcher, member of the Board of Education in Milltown, N. J.
- GMEHLE, HENRY, Bavaria, 1861, foreman in rubber shoe factory.
- GOERMANN, HENRY, Wuerttemberg, 1887, rubber worker.
- GONCH, FRANZ, West Prussia, 1880, musician, trucking business. His son Edmund P. a priest, and William motor vehicle registry. (See Chapter VI.) His daughter entered holy orders as Sister Agnes Edmund.
- GOTTSCHALK, PETER, Bavaria, 1855, locksmith and cutlery.

- GRIES, JOHN GEORGE, Bavaria, 1882, machinist, 50 years for John Waldron, Inc.
- GROBEN, PETER P., Bavaria, 1847, restaurant.
- GRUENEWALD, LEONARD, Hesse Darmstadt, 1851, shoemaker. Son Charles chief of the Fire Department and on Board of Elections. His grandson Dr. B. Webster Suydam has a Veterinary Hospital, and granddaughter Mercedes was a nurse. (See Chapter VI for grandchildren under Hall Charles, Robert, Alfred, Miss Mercedes and Dr. B. W. Suydam.)

GSELLINGER, ADAM, Bavaria, 1867, coal boat man. GUTESDORF, CHARLES, Saxony, 1866, machinist, Fruit Jar Co.

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HABERMANN, MICHAEL, Bavaria, 1842, merchant.

HAHN, HENRY, Alsace-Loraine, 1850, farmer.

HART, MATHIAS, Baden, 1845, farmer.

HARTLAENDER, LEONARD, Bavaria, 1860, rubber worker.

HARTMAN, EMIL, Hesse-Nassau, 1885, rubber worker, and delicatessen store.

HARTMAN, THEODORE, Hesse-Nassau, 1885, machinist. HARTMAN, WILLIAM, Hesse-Nassau, 1886, bookkeeper for Penna. R. R.

HARTMAN, JOSEPH, Hesse-Nassau, 1886, stationary engineer.

HARTMAN, RICHARD, Hesse-Nassau, 1886, candy maker.

HARTMAN, CHARLES, Hesse-Nassau, 1886, private secretary to Mr. Hageman of The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

HEBERLEIN, JOHN, Bavaria, 1850, truck gardener.

HECK, KONRAD, Baden, 1851, owner of a dry goods store.

HEFNER, WILLIAM, Baden, 1869, worked in the snuff mill, cutter in rubber works, and later farmer.

HEIDINGSFELD, JULIUS, Baden, 1870, book binder, established his own printing business. He took a keen interest in politics. His sons Ralph and Ernest succeeded him in the business he established. (See Chapter VI, son Ralph.)

- HEILMAN, FREDERICK, Baden, 1856, rubber worker.
- HEIM, FREDERICK, Wuerttemberg, 1883, dyer in the rubber works, later a janitor at Rutgers.
- HEIM, ELLICK, Bavaria, 1851, worked in the Button Shop.
- HEINZ, VALENTINE, Bavaria, 1865, rubber worker.
- HEITZENROEDER, BALTHASER, Kurhessen, 1869, cigar maker, has his own cigar store.
- HEITZENROEDER, HENRY, Kurhessen, 1866, stone cutter, sculptor, had his own marble yard.
- HEITZENROEDER, CONRAD, Kurhessen, 1869, cigar maker, later a grocery store.
- HENNEMAN, AUGUST, Hanover, 1860, conducted a cigar and candy store.
- HENNEMAN, FREDERICK A., Hanover, 1854, shoe-maker.
- HENRY, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1845, rubber worker.
- HERDIENE, MARTIN, Bavaria, 1855, rubber worker.
- HERRMANN, LOUIS, Bavaria, 1871, worked for Fruit Jar Co.
- HERMS, WILLIAM, Mecklenburg, 1843, farmer.
- HETZEL, JACOB G., Bavaria, 1863, boot and shoe store.
- HEUER, GOTTFRIED, Berlin, 1880, rubber worker.
- HEYL, FREDERICK, Baden, 1858, harness maker. Served in Civil War. His nephew, Dr. Carl F. Heyl, is a minister and editor. See Chapter VI for granddaughter Miss Alice M. Heyl; also grandson Edwin J. Otken.
- HIMMLER, GEORGE, Wuerttemberg, 1883, garden farmer. HIMMLER, JOHN, Wuerttemberg, 1882, shoemaker. His daughter Helena is the postmaster at Deans, N. J. (See Chapter VI for grandson Garret G. Himmler).
- HINGHER, CONSTANTINE, Wuerttemberg, 1858, superintendent of the Novelty Rubber Factory, established his own button factory. He was a director in The New Brunswick Savings Institution. (See Chapter VI for son Joseph.)
- HINGHER, EDWARD, Wuerttemberg, 1872, cabinet maker.
  Established his own "The Hingher Furniture Co."
  His sons Edward and Charles continued the furniture business.

- HINKLE, CASPER, Baden, 1861, upholsterer.
- HIRSH, PHILIP, Prussia, 1867, millinery and notion store. He was a director of the People's National Bank. Director of The Workingman's Building and Loan Association. A member of the Board of Trade. His son Isadore a member of the Board of Education.
- HODAPP, JOSEPH, Palatinate, 1851, carpenter. Served in the Civil War as lieutenant in the cavalry; he fought in 33 battles and lost his life in the last one near Richmond, 1864. He is buried in the Arlington Cemetery. His son Joseph was postmaster at Spottswood, N. J., for many years.
- HODES, IGNAZ, Prussia, 1856, barber; later sold out to Mr. Landmesser.
- HOFFMANN, ADAM, Saxony, 1871, shoemaker.
- HOFFMANN, GEORGE, Saxony, 1871, shoemaker.
- HOFFMANN, MATHIAS, Saxony, 1871, tailor,
- HOLZAPFEL, PETER, Hesse, 1868, stone mason and worked in the button shop.
- HOLZAPFEL, WILLIAM, Hesse, 1868, rubber worker. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Elizabeth Richter.)
- HOLZWARTH, GEORGE, Baden, 1865, gardener. (See Chapter VI. John Gordon, Jr., a grandson).
- HUBNER, AUGUST, North Prussia, 1875, superintendent in The U. S. Rubber Shop. Served in the Civil War for 5 years.
- HUEBERLEIN, FREDERICK, Bavaria, 1850, carpet weaver.
- HUEBERLEIN, JOHN, Bavaria, 1852, carpet weaver.
- HUEFEL, HERMAN, Saxony, 1883, barber shop, later confectionery store.

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- INGEBRAND, NICHOLAS, Hesse, 1873, painter. His son Harry E. is serving the longest term as financial secretary in the history of the Livingston Avenue Reformed Church. His grandson Edward Ingebrand is an auditor. (See Chapter VI for grandsons Harold Rodenberger, George and Robert Bauer, and Howard J. Dunn).
- ITZSCHLAN, WILLIAM, Hanover, 1888, farmer.

JAE, GEORGE, Hanover, 1875, rubber worker.

JAE, JOHN, Hanover, 1875, rubber worker.

JANSEN, RUDOLPH, West Prussia, 1886, rubber worker.

JANSEN, SAMUEL, West Prussia, 1882, stone mason, rubber shop, milk business, also one of first horsecar drivers in the city.

JEROME, WENDELIN, Alsace-Loraine, 1843, had a milk business.

JONAS, AUGUST, North Prussia, 1885, rubber worker.

JONAS, WILLIAM, North Prussia, 1885, rubber worker, farmer.

JONAS, LOUIS, North Prussia, 1887, rubber worker.

JONAS, CARL, North Prussia, 1887, rubber worker.

JOSTEN, CHARLES, Prussia, 1860, tailor.

JUNKER, GEORGE, Alsace-Loraine, 1842, rubber worker.

JUNKER, HENRY, Alsace-Loraine, 1841, was killed in the Civil War; his body was never found, being lost in the Dismal Swamp. (See Chapter VI for grandchildren Frederick and Grace Junker).

JUNKER, JOHN, Alsace-Loraine, 1842, farmer.

#### K

KAEMMERER, Dr. NICHOLAS, M.D., Bavaria, 1855, physician and druggist.

KARMAN, ROBERT, Bremen, 1874, machinist, alderman in 5th ward.

KALTEISSEN, PETER, Hesse, 1888, machinist, barber, paper box manufacturer. He served as a member of the building committee of the Livingston Ave. Reformed Church. Son Klemmer an attorney and free-holder. (See Chapter VI for son Klemmer and grandsons William K. and George A, Jr.)

KAUTZ, GEORGE, Berlin, 1846, rubber worker.

KAUTZ, RUDOLPH, Berlin, 1862, farmer.

KELLER, CHRISTOPHER, Berlin, 1849, merchant tailor, served in the Civil War. (See Chapter VI for grandson Oran Keller.)

KELLER, ALBERT, Switzerland, 1888, worked in needle shop.

KELLER, JOHN, Switzerland, 1870, cabinet maker.

KEIDEL, ANDREAS LUDWIG, Wuerttemberg, 1867, landscape gardener. His son Frederick G. is an electrical engineer. (See Chapter VI for daughter Anna K.)

KEIFER, JACOB, Baden, 1859, gardener. (See Chapter VI for grandsons William J. and Alfred Dorn).

KIEFER, JOHN, Baden, 1859, rubber worker and farmer.

KLEIN, MARTIN, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1842. He established the Hotel Klein, and during the Civil War this hotel was a recruiting station and also headquarters for the New Brunswick Artillery Company of which Mr. Klein was second lieutenant. He also engaged in the wholesale grocery business. His sons Henry George and Peter have continued in the hotel business.

KLEIN, FRANZ, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1844, carpet and linen

weaving business.

KLEIN, JACOB, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1845, rubber worker, later farmer.

KNAUS, ANDREW, Bavaria, 1860, farmer.

KNECHT, FREDERICK, Bavaria, 1877, rubber worker.

KNEIB, CHRISTOPHER, Bavaria, 1866, shoemaker.

KNEUPER, DR. GEORGE, M.D., Bavaria, 1875, physician. KNOLL, JOHN, Palatinate, 1870, barber shop. Sons: Frank in the Revenue Service, Jacob a mail carrier, John

conducts a bakery. (See Chapter VI for grandson Albert Knoll, a minister of the Gospel.)

KOCH, AUGUST, Baden, 1862, rubber worker.

KOCH, CARL, Baden, 1855, machinist, superintendent in the rubber shop.

KOCH, CONRAD, Hesse-Nassau, 1855, assistant superintendent in the rubber shop.

KOCH, F., Berlin, 1865, foreman in rubber shop.

KOCH, JOHN, Baden, 1863, rubber worker.

KOCH, JOHN, Bavaria, 1875, clerk in the Rust Drug Store.

KOHLHEPP, CONRAD, Oberzell, Hesse, 1850, rubber worker, hotel in Milltown.

KOHLHEPP, JOHN, Oberzell, Hesse 1850, rubber worker and in button shop. Served in the Civil War.

KOHLHEPP, PETER, Oberzell, Hesse, 1855, watchman in The Norfolk Hosiery Mill.

KOLB, CONRAD, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1887, rubber worker. KOOP, JOHN, Wuerttemberg, 1888, baker.

- KOSTER, OTTO, Hanover, 1855, rubber worker, and button shop. Served in the Civil War.
- KRAMER, GEORGE, Baden, 1850, employed in the oil factory.
- KRANK, ADAM, Oberzell, Hesse, 1887, rubber worker. Janitor of The Livingston Avenue Reformed Church.
- KRAUS, ADAM, Bavaria, 1875, shoemaker.
- KRAUSE, AUGUST, Prussia, 1887, worked in lamp shop.
- KRAUSZE, LEOPOLD, Berlin, 1860, rubber worker.
- KREGELOH, MAX, Bavaria, 1879, rubber worker and later life insurance agent.
- KREYLING, LOUIS, Kurhessen, 1865, butcher.
- KREYLING, DANIEL, Kurhessen, 1865, tinsmith.
- KREYLING, CHRIST. Kurhessen, 1865, tinsmith.
- KREYLING, BENJAMIN, Kurhessen, 1881, butcher.
- KUHLTHAU, PHILIP, Oberzell, Hesse, 1848, farmer, grocery store in Milltown. First postmaster of Milltown, freeholder of North Brunswick. Son John freeholder and member of The Board of Education. The postmastership remained in the Kuhlthau family for some 80 years. His son Conrad is a bank director and conducts a general store in Milltown, N. J. (See Chapter VI for grandsons Daniel Carver, a physician, Kearney Y., an attorney, and Conrad, an accountant.)
- KUHLTHAU, CONRAD, Oberzell, Hesse, 1850, grocery store with his brother Philip in Milltown. His son George on the School Board 15 years, and Henry a councilman. His grandson William C. a councilman and mayor, and his great-grandson Merton Kuhlthau is a dentist. (See Chapter VI for great-grandchildren Edna and Carol Kuhlthau, also Merton and Norma Spiers).
- KUHLTHAU, HENRY, Oberzell, Hesse, 1852. Killed in the Civil War, in the Dismal Swamp; his body was never found.
- KUHLTHAU, JOHN, Oberzell, Hesse, 1852. Superintendent in the leather shoe factory.
- KUHLTHAU, WILLIAM, Oberzell, Hesse, 1852. He worked in the rubber shop. His son Charles H. had many community interests; he was on the building com-

mittee of the Livingston Avenue Reformed Church from the very beginning up to the time of his death. The reader is referred to Volume I of the history of this church. (See Chapter VI for grandchildren Evelyn Kuhlthau (Dunn), Grace DeHart (Hunt), Joseph M. DeHart, an attorney, and William Charles DeHart).

- KUHN, WILLIAM GEORGE, Hesse, 1851. He conducted a dairy business and was a sergeant on the police force.
- KUNZMANN, ANDREW, Bavaria, 1883, shoemaker for Mr. Seng.

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- LAHR, ANTHONY, Bavaria, 1852, rubber worker.
- I.AMMERST, GEORGE, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1880, hotel, had a son Edward, who served in the Spanish American War.
- LANDAHL, HENRY D., Hanover, 1873, cabinet maker. In the Spanish American War, Company H., First Lieutenant. In 1906 he received a bronze medal from Governor Stokes for 25 years service in State Militia, the second longest in the state. (See Chapter VI for daughter Ethel G.).
- LANDMESSER, CHARLES L., Hesse-Darmstadt, 1860, barber surgeon. Son Frederick A. continued the business, August T. was an alderman. (See Chapter VI for grandchildren Bertha Landmesser, also Evelyn Kuhlthau).
- LATCHER, JOHN, Baden, 1850, tailor. (See Chapter VI for children Anna, Albert, Rose, Bertha, Pauline).
- LAUBENHEIMER, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1855, shoemaker.
- LAUBER, JOHANNES, Hesse, 1870, rubber worker. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Gertrude Lauber).
- LAUDENBACH, MICHAEL, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1855, cigar maker.
- LAUTENBERGER, MICHAEL, Hesse, 1855, tobacco store.
- LEDERER, SAMUEL, Austria, 1864. Had a tannery business; his son Max continued in the same business.
- LEFFERTS, JOHN, Hesse, 1881, plater.
- LEFFERTS, GEORGE, Hesse, 1881, worked in the button shop.

- LEFFERTS, FREDERICK, Hesse, 1881, railroad engineer.
- LEHRER, KARL, Palatinate, 1870, barber shop.
- LENS, N., Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1865, carpenter. Son John captain of 6th ward fire department.
- LEUCHSENRING, EUGENE, Oldenburg, 1879, machinist, secretary of Helvetia Lodge.
- LIEBERUM, AUGUST H., Kurhessen, 1874, retired.
- LIEBERUM, KARL, Kurhessen, 1874, superintendent of the carpet works, also an inventor; one of his machines was displayed at the Philadelphia Centennial in 1876.
- LINDEMANN, JOHN JACOB, Baden, 1880, rubber worker.
- LINS, ADAM, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1878, meat market.
- LINS, HENRY, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1882, rubber worker. Grandson Dr. Merton Kuhlthau a dentist. (See Chapter VI for grandsons Merton Kuhlthau and Robert Dunn).
- LINS, HENRY CARL, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1883, rubber worker.
- LINS, JOHN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1864, worked in the Novelty Rubber Shop. His son Henry E. served on Borough Coucil and Board of Education in Milltown. He was also a member of the building committee of The Livingston Avenue Reformed Church.
- LINS, WILLIAM, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1858, worker in the button shop and The Novelty Rubber Shop. Served in the Civil War. Also farmer.
- LOEWE, WILLIAM, East Prussia, 1875, meat market.
- LONG, HENRY, Bavaria, 1889, farmer.
- LUDWIG, JOSEPH, Bavaria, 1860, reclaimer of used materials, also contractor.
- LUETHEUSSER, LOUIS, Saxony, 1870, barber with S. Zimmerman.
- LUTTMAN, FRITZ, Hanover, 1872, harness maker at Dayton, N. J. His son L. S. Luttman postmaster at Dayton, N. J., and his grandson Edward Ingebrand an auditor.
- LUTZ, ADAM, Baden, 1850, leather goods findings store.

- MACK, J., Wuerttemberg, 1875, farmer and worked in the hosiery mill.
- MAIER, FRITZ, Mecklenburg, 1860, worked in the button shop.
- MAIER, KARL, Mecklenburg, 1860, worked in the button shop.
- MANN, PHILIP, Palatinate, 1843, tailor employed by Wolfsons.
- MARKS, MAX, Prussia, 1856, conducted a poultry business. (See Chapter VI for grandson Alvin Marks).
- MARTIN, CARL, West Prussia, 1880, worked in the rubber shop.
- MARTIN, MAXIMILIAN, Alsace-Loraine, 1853, worked in the hoop-skirt factory and later conducted a hotel. He was one of the founders of the St. John's Roman Catholic Church.
- MATHES, WILLIAM, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1887, worked in rubber shop as night watchman.
- MATTERN, JOHN, Baden, 1870, worked in the rubber shop.
- MAYER, FREDERICK, Saxony, 1865, worked in the rubber shop and Janeway Wall Paper Mill.
- MEHLE, JOHN, Bavaria, 1852, worked on coal boats, in coal yard, in Rolfe's lumber yard, and also listed as porter.
- MEITZLER, PHILIP, Bavaria, 1866, tailor on Richmond Street.
- MERKEL, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1875, worked in the rubber
- MERLINGER, GABRIEL, Wuerttemberg, 1857, tailor.
- MESEROLE, WILLIAM, Bavaria, 1862, worked in shirt factory.
- METZRATH, JOHN, Prussia, 1853, machinist, employed in Kelly Machine Shop, the hosiery mill. He played the French horn in the Band for many years. His son Frank A. a township clerk and son Wm. T. real estate business.
- MEYER, DR. KARL, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1864, pastor of the 3d Reformed Church, Professor of Modern Languages at Rutgers. (See Chapter VI for son Otto and Chapter VII, 3d Reformed Church).

- MEYER, CHRISTOPHER, Hanover, 1838, inventor of pattern machinery, formulas for rubber materials, manufacturer of rubber goods and owner of rubber shops. (See Chapters V and IX, also *History of Union and Middlesex Counties*, Page 663). He was very likely the first of the Germans to settle in New Brunswick.
- MEYER, PHILIP, Saxony, 1882, baker.
- MEYERAREND, FREDERICK, Hanover, 1864, tailor at Albany and Peace Sts.
- MEYERS, CHARLES, Mecklenburg, 1852, gardener,
- MEYERS, FREDERICK, Mecklenburg, 1861, gardener.
- MEYERS, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1880, stone mason by trade, later machinist. His sons: George, Jr., was a plumber and John G. is with the Railway Express Co. (See Chapter VI for grandson Kenneth I. Meyer.).
- MILLEMANN, FREDERICK, Alsace-Loraine, 1852, rubber worker. He served in the Civil War.
- MILDENBERGER, FREDERICK, Bavaria, 1860, conducted a butcher shop on Hiram St.
- MILLER, CONRAD, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1866, rubber worker.
- MILLER, FREDERICK, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1863, had a meat market, was a freeholder and a member of the Board of Education. His son William F. an alderman.
- MILLER, JOHN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1851, farmer.
- MILLER, WILLIAM, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1866, bootmaker in the Washington Street Rubber Company, later in The Meyer Rubber Co. on Little Burnet Street. His son Henry is a teacher in the Senior High School, at one time principal of this school. (See Chapter VI for son Henry and also for grandsons, William A. and Theodore H. Miller).
- MOHR, CARL, Hanover, 1860, upholsterer in the Hingher Furniture Store.
- MONTAG, JOHN, Prussia, 1872, stone mason, was a Prussian soldier.
- MUEHLEISSEN, CARL, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1888, rubber worker.

- MUELLER, A. F. W., Idar Birkenfeld, Oldenburg, 1882, jeweler, located at 6 Hiram St., 15 Hiram St., then moved to the corner of Bayard and George St., having been one of the first business places on George St., and built at 357 George St., later known as Mueller and New. His son Rudolph associated with him and continued in the business. Mr. A. F. W. Mueller will observe the 50th anniversary of his business career in 1938.
- MUELLER, ALOIS, Bavaria, 1868, florist at Commercial Ave. and Sandford Sts.
- MUELLER, CASPER, Bavaria, 1861, butcher on Neilson Street.
- MUELLER, FERDINAND, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1868, rubber worker. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Marie Ann Mullen).
- MUELLER, JOHN, Bavaria, 1868, foreman in the Meyer Rubber Shop. His son Henry F. assistant tax collector in Highland Park.
- MUENDEL, JOHANN, Hesse, 1848, linen weaver for Franz Klein, corner Burnet and Water St.
- MUSSINAN, FERDINAND, Bavaria, 1865, dyeing business and later hotel on Spring St.

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- NEIDLINGER, JOHN, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1860, farmer for Neilson.
- NEUKUMCHER, JACOB, Prussia, 1883, rubber worker.
- NEUMAN, ROBERT, Bavaria, 1878, worked in the rubber shop.
- NEWBERGER, FRANZ, Baden, 1856, rubber-boot maker.
- NIEDERHAUSER, REV. PETER PAUL, Bavaria, 1871, Pastor of the St. John's Roman Catholic Church, the only one of the pastors who was born in Germany. (See Chapter VII).
- NIESER, JOHN, Bavaria, 1850, carpenter.
- NOLLMANN, JOHN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1850, worked in the rubber shop.
- NOLLMANN, HENRY, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1850, worked in the button shop.

- NOLLMANN, William, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1859, worked in the button shop. He was the first Sunday-school superintendent of the St. John's German Reformed Church.
- NONMACHER, CHARLES, Bavaria, 1861, worked in the button shop.

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OBERHUBER, JOHN, Bavaria, 1846, general merchant.

OBERKIRCH, PHILIP, Bavaria, 1873, farmer on Ryder's Lane.

OBROUSKY, CARL, Prussia, 1880, worked on the railroad. OCHS, BALTHASAR, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1876, rubber worker.

OCHS, CONRAD, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1870, employed in the Moyer Rubber Shop and later owned his farm.

OCHS, JOHN H., Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1858, served in the Civil War. Later a farmer.

OTKEN, JOHN H., Oldenburg, 1870, farmer. (See Chapter VI for grandson Edwin J. Otken).

OTTERBEIN, JOHN, Baden, 1850, carpet weaver and carpet manufacturer at 14 Commercial Ave. His grandson John on the police force.

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PALMENBERG, FERDINAND, Austria, 1878, music and German teacher, bookkeeper Janeway Paper Co.

PAULUS, ADAM, Hesse, 1858, shoemaker.

PAULUS, JOHN, Rhenish Prussia, 1869, rubber worker, and then started a milk business at Comstock and Throop Ave. with only one horse. His son John continued the dairy business, and the grandsons also.

PETRI, FRANCIS, Alsace-Loraine, 1852, tailor. His son Peter J. became a priest of the Roman Catholic Church. (See Chapter VI for son Peter J.).

PHEFFER, K., Prussia, 1849, barber.

PHEIFFER, LOUIS, Bavaria, 1872, cabinet maker. His sons Joseph and Henry in the U. S. Navy.

PHESTER, GEORGE, (Feaster), Bavaria, 1843, farmer. His grandson J. J. Feaster a city commissioner. A park on Throop Avenue was named in his memory, 1937.

- PHESTER, JOHN, (Feaster), Bavaria, 1850, served in the Civil War, farmer.
- PLECHNER, BENJAMIN H., Austria, 1860, served in the Civil War. Conducted a drygoods and fancy store on Church St. He also instructed Rutgers students in Hebrew.
- PLECHNER, MILES LEOPOLD, Austria, 1860, was a major in the German army as a master baker. Conducted a drygoods and fancy store on Peace St. His son George J. an attorney. (See Chapter VI for his daugter Carolyn, a Public School teacher).
- PLECHNER, SOLOMON, Austria, 1860, came here with his three sons Miles Leopold, William B. and Benjamin H., each conducting his own business.
- PLECHNER, WILLIAM B., Austria, 1860, conducted a drygoods and fancy store on Church Street, near Neilson.
- PITZNER, William, Hamburg, 1887, rubber worker.
- POSNER, ISAAC, Prussia, 1872, drygoods merchant at 55 Church Street.
- PRAETORIUS, FREDERICK, Palatinate, 1879, rubber worker.
- PRESSLER, EDWARD, Bavaria, 1861, worked in the rubber shop.
- PRESSLER, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1859, conducted a bakery. His sons John and Edward served in the Civil War. His son George, Jr., had the auto license agency.
- PRITTING, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1864, had a meat market on Albany St., near Peace.
- PUERSCHNER, JACOB, Bavaria, 1855, worked in the rubber shop.

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- QUAD, C. F., Rhenish Prussia, 1867, shoemaker, conducted a wholesale leather findings store on Dennis St. His son Louis J. a chemist. Grandsons John Quad and Kenneth Quad Jennings journalists. (See Chapter VI for son Louis J. and grandsons under Quad and also Jennings, and granddaughter Mildred Jennings). The daughter, Mrs. Caroline Jennings, continued the business for 30 years.
- QUAD, PETER, Rhenish Prussia, 1852, shoemaker.

RAFF, JACOB, Bavaria, 1857, baker for Frederick Staat.

RAUSCH, PETER, Sr., Mecklenburg, 1850, served in the Civil War. General worker.

REIS, PAUL, Saxony, 1867, watch maker, jeweler.

REUSS, , Bavaria, 1849, shoemaker.

RICHTER, FREDERICK, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1870, salesman. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Elizabeth Richter).

RICHTER, HARTMAN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1866, rubber worker.

RICHTER, WILLIAM, Hanover, 1880, rubber worker.

RING, WILLIAM, Oldenburg, 1872, worked in the rubber shop.

RINK, JOHN JOSEPH, Wuerttemberg, 1845, served in the Civil War with rank of captain. Stone cutter and later farmer.

ROCHESKY, ALBERT, West Prussia, 1882, blacksmith, rubber worker, and employed in the Abattoir.

ROEDER, FREDERICK, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1870, worked in the hosiery mill.

ROEDER, GEORGE, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1858, served in the Civil War. Conducted a grocery and meat market. Member of the School Board 28 years and president of the Board. (See Chapter VI for granddaughters Edna and Carol Kuhlthau).

ROEHRICH, MATHIAS, Wuerttemberg, 1887, shoemaker. ROHR. FERDINAND. Berlin. 1881, tailor on Throop Ave.

ROSE, PAUL, Bavaria, 1867, rubber worker.

ROSENER, CONRAD, Bavaria, 1872, bootmaker, and wheelwright. He established his own wheelwright business on Commercial Ave. at Suydam St. His son John continued the business.

ROTH, FRANK, Bavaria, 1884, rubber worker and later caretaker at Rutgers.

ROTTMANN, LOUIS, Wuerttemberg, 1875, general worker.

RUBBERT, JOHN, Bavaria, 1867, clerk in Strong's hardware store.

RUETTEL, JOHN, Bavaria, 1871, rubber worker.

- RUNSCKI, JOSEPH, Prussia, 1879, rubber worker and in The Norfolk Hosiery Mill.
- RUPP, ABRAHAM, Bavaria, 1854, worked in his brother John's bakery and after that clerk in Strong's Hardware Store until his death; his granddaughter Louise Roberta Gowen a nurse.
- RUPP, JOHN, Bavaria, 1854, conducted a bakerey with his brother Abraham on Peace St., near Albany. Known for the best rye bread in city.
- RUPPRECHT, CONRAD, Bavaria, 1888, worked at Waldron's, and later had his own meat market.
- RUPPRECHT, JOHN, Bavaria, 1888, worked at Waldron's, then rubber works, and later as "day man" at the People's National Bank.
- RUPPRECHT, PAUL, Bavaria, 1884, machinist at Waldron's. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Virginia Rupprecht).

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SANSBERRY, BALZER, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1858, farmer. SANSBERRY, JOHN HENRY, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1861, rubber worker.

SASS, FREDERICK, Berlin, 1885, worked for the Public Service.

SASS, FREDERICK, JR., Berlin, 1885, salesman.

SASS, CARL, Berlin, 1885, rubber worker.

SASS, LOUIS, Berlin, 1885, fireman, assistant chief of Fire Department, finally chief of the Fire Department.

SAUER, LUDWIG, Bavaria, 1870, rubber worker.

SAUER, WILLIAM, Bavaria, 1870, rubber worker.

SCHAAF, PETER, Baden, 1858, farmer near Middlebush.

SCHAEFER, AUGUST, Prussia, 1888, employed in the lamp factory.

SCHAEFFER, KARL, Hesse, 1860, boatman.

SCHENK, JOHN HENRY, Wuerttemberg, 1860, tailor on Richmond St.

SCHEWE, FERDINAND, Prussia, 1887, employed in the button shop.

SCHLEE, ADOLPH, Wuerttemberg, 1870, general worker.

SCHLEE, GEORGE, Wuerttemberg, 1870, machinist at Waldron's when located on Dennis Street.

- SCHLEE, JOHN, Wuerttemberg, 1870, upholsterer and paper hanger.
- SCHLOSSER, GEORGE, Alsace-Loraine, 1858, rubber worker. His grandson Harold J. Schlosser, Board of Education 12 years. Municipal clerk, treasurer of Citizens Building and Loan and other community interests.
- SCHLOSSER, PHILIP, Alsace-Loraine, 1858, dry goods store in Milltown.
- SCHMIDT, CASPAR, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1880, rubber worker.
- SCHMIDT, CASPAR, Jr., Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1880, rubber worker.
- SCHMIDT, CHARLES, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1880, rubber worker.
- SCHMIDT, CHARLES, Wuerttemberg, 1878, rubber worker and carpenter.
- SCHMIDT, CONRAD, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1882, rubber worker.
- SCHMIDT, EDWARD, Palatinate, 1851, hotel.
- SCHMIDT, GEORGE, Palatinate, 1861, contractor and trucking. His four sons George E., August, David, and Charles continued the trucking business.
- SCHMIDT, HENRY, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1856, tailor. Son Carl was vice-president of The Middlesex Title and Trust Co. His grandson Edwin J. is a chemist. (See Chapter VI for Edwin J.).
- SCHMIDT, JOHN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1880, rubber worker.
- SCHMIDT, J. AUGUST, Prussia, 1859, salesman.
- SCHMIDT, JOHN, Bavaria, 1883, rubber worker.
- SCHMIDT, JOHN, Bavaria, 1884, machinist in Waldron's. Foreman.
- SCHMIDT, PETER, Rhenish Prussia, 1880, rubber worker, stationary engineer.
- SCHMIDT, Valentine, Hanover, 1863, meat market, alderman, and one of the original stockholders of the New Brunswick Refrigerator Company.
- SCHMIDT, WILLIAM ALBERT, Saxony, 1869, machinist, for Singer Sewing Machine and at Waldron's; also Consolidated Fruit Jar Co. (See Chapter VI for daughter Gertrude K.).

- SCHNEEWEISS, REV. FRANZ M., his baptismal name Franz Sales Maximilian Ignaz Alois Schneeweiss. Austria, 1850, Pastor of the Third Reformed Church, organist in several of the New Brunswick churches, and Perth Amboy, taught music, and his wife Mary Parsell also taught music. His son Henry Parsell was the treasurer of Rutgers University from 1915 to 1928. His son Oliver Parsell S. was superintendent of the Third Reformed Sunday-school, another son Franz Maximilian Wilhelm was a rector of the Episcopal Church and then a priest in the Roman Catholic Church in Washington, D. C. (See Chapter VI for sons Henry, Oliver and Franz).
- SCHNEIDER, ADAM, Prussia, 1866, rubber shop and later jeweler.
- SCHNEIDER, GEORGE, Wuerttemberg, 1874, conducted a shoe store on 54 Easton Ave., also had a reputation for excellent workmanship in making shoes to order. He was a charter member of the Neptune Engine Co. No. 2. (See Chapter VI for sons Frederick C., Charles, George, Edward. For daughters Anna K., Elizabeth, Laura, Lillian E.; for grandsons William N., Garrett G. Himmler, and Frederick C. Schneider, Jr.). His son Frederick C. was the United States Marshal, bank director, and contractor. For many years he was in the engineering and constructing department of the Pennsylvania R. R., at the time, 1903-1905, when the road bed running through New Brunswick was being elevated.
- SCHNEIDER, JOHN, Hesse, 1860, jeweler on Peace St.
- SCHNEIDER, JOSEPH, Bavaria, 1855, brewery in Highland Park.
- SCHNEIDER, STEPHEN, Baden, 1844, served in the Civil War. Reed basket maker.
- SCHOFF, HENRY, Prussia, 1884, rubber worker.
- SCHROEDER, CHARLES, Mecklenburg, 1850, foreman in the Washington St. rubber shop.
- SCHRUM, NICHOLAS, Wuerttemberg, 1860, served in the Civil War, rubber worker.
- SCHULTE, HENRY, Wuerttemberg, 1861, worked in the button shop.

- SCHULTHEISS, JACOB, Rhenish Prussia, 1850, served in the Civil War, carpenter. His son Samuel overseer of the poor. A grandson Samuel J., Jr., president of the Board of Education of Highland Park and in the real estate and insurance business.
- SCHULTHEISS, JOHN, Rhenish Prussia, 1850, served in the Civil War, carpenter.
- SCHUMACHER, RICHARD, Bremen, 1862, conducted a grocery store, and was justice of the peace in the sixth ward.
- SCHUPPE, ERNEST, Hanover, 1865, rubber worker.
- SCHURR, JOHN, Wuerttemberg, 1888, baker, secretary of Helvetia Lodge of Odd Fellows for 38 years.
- SCHUSSLER, FREDERICK, Gersfeld, near Mainz, Hesse, 1870, merchant, bakery and confectionery store. He was the first business man to move from Hiram Street to George Street, and he remained there as a successful business man. This was considered a great risk in those days, but his good business sense carried him through the discouragements. His wife Katherine (nee) Zimmerman, his son Frederick, Jr., and his daughter Miss Christine were active in the business with him. (See Chapter VI for son Frederick, Jr.).
- SCHUSSLER, JOHN, Berlin 1867, in the milk business, dairy.
- SCHWAB, FREDERICK, Baden, 1858, conducted a grocery store.
- SCHWAB, JOHN, Baden, 1857, farmer.
- SCHWAB, JOHN, Bavaria, 1868, shoemaker and shoe store on Peace St.
- SCHWENDEMANN, AEGIDIUS, Baden, 1850, rubber worker. His son John constable and member of the School Board in Milltown.
- SEELE, PAULUS, Baden, 1859, tailor on Throop Ave., then Remsen Ave., and at 71 New St.
- SEIDNER, JOHN, Prussia, 1882, general worker. He was the first man buried in the Evergreen Cemetery.
- SEIDNER, PHILIP, Prussia, 1882, rubber worker.
- SEIFFERT, GEORGE, Hanover, 1854. Served in the Civil War. Later machinist. His sons George, a police-

- man, and Henry, who conducted a stationery store for many years, also an alderman, and later on connected with The Daily Home News. His grandsons Morgan R. Seiffert graduated from Rutgers 1923 and from the N. J. Law School, 1927; is an attorney, Recorder of Highland Park and Secretary of the State of N. J., Delaware, and Raritan Canal Commission. Also H. Albert Seiffert, who is secretary of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and an assistant in the State of N. J., Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission. (See Chapter VI).
- SENG, WILLIAM, Hanover, 1871, conducted a shoe store on Easton Ave. His son Eugene a chemist. His grandsons Harry A. and John W. both are pharmacists. (See Chapter VI for son Eugene and grandsons Harry A., John W., and William E., and granddaughter Anna).
- SHOPPE, NICHOLAS, Bavaria, 1855, baker.
- SIEBELS, JOHN, Prussia, 1883, shoemaker and rubber shop.
- SIEG, THEODORE, Berlin, 1870, wholesale business, took over the grocery store of William Banker.
- SIEMONS, WILLIAM, Prussia, 1879, farmer, Freshpond near Milltown. (See Chapter VI for daughter Emma).
- SILZER, THEODORE, Dirkheim, Palatinate, 1850, barber. His son George S. a lawer, judge, Governor of New Jersey, bank director. His son William on the Building Committee of The Livingston Ave. Reformed Church. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Anna Silzer). His son Anthony is The Clerk to the Grand Jury.
- SMALLEY, WILLIAM, Prussia, 1865, farmer, clerk in Strong's hardware store. Entered the Plumbing business. His son Fred continued the plumbing business.
- SMITH, GEORGE, Baden, 1852, locomotive engineer, later Fruit grower, having a 45 acre farm with 2,000 apple trees.
- SNYDER, JOHN, Prussia, 1856, served in the Civil War, while in the hospital during the war, a nurse recorded his name as Snyder instead of Schneider, and so

- he retained it. He had been a Prussian soldier in Germany. He was a gardener, also a bootmaker, and worked in the button shop. He was a fine singer and conducted several church choirs. His son William H. an engineer in Fire Department No. 2. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Lizetta D. Snyder).
- SPILLE, JOHN, Berlin, 1840, returned to Germany and came back again just in time to serve in the Civil War, farmer. His grandson Edward Spille is a policeman.
- SPITTEL, J. H. A., Erfurt, Thuringia, 1848, foreman in paper box factory, later employed in the Norfolk Rubber Co.
- STAAT, FREDERICK, Strasbourg, Alsace-Loraine, 1853, bakery George and Liberty St., bank director, alderman, chief of volunteer Fire Department. Served 16 years as a member of the Board of Education in New Brunswick. His grandson George Francis Staat, a teacher and journalist. (See Chapter VI for his name).
- STADLINGER, JACOB, Hesse, 1860, farmer. His sons Charles a physician, Henry a physician, Peter a dentist. (See Chapter VI for his children Rose, Charles, Henry, Peter).
- STAERKER, CASPER, Saxony, 1850, he was employed in the rubber shop.
- STAERKER, GEORGE, Saxony, 1868, stone mason.
- STAMM, PETER A., Hesse, 1876, had a flour and grist mill on Ryder's Lane.
- STANG, HENRY, Palatinate, 1888, shoemaker. His son William H. electrical engineer.
- STARK, ADOLPH, Thuringia, 1876, rubber worker.
- STARKE, FRANK C., or FERDINAND, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1860, turner in button factory.
- STEINER, ANDREW. Wuerttemberg, 1885, baker.
- STEINER, GEORGE, Wuerttemberg, 1880, general worker.
- STEINMACHER, JOHN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1888, rubber worker, later butcher.
- STEINNAGEL, CARL, Prussia, 1887, farmer, worked in lamp factory, in the fruit jar factory and rubber shop.

- STEINS, F. W., Palatinate, 1888, music teacher, organ and piano dealer, director of the Aurora Singing Society.
- STELLER, JACOB, Bavaria, 1881, rubber worker.
- STOKES, THEODORE, Hesse-Darmstadt, 1851. Whole-sale Junk reclaimer, established a crockery business at 245 Burnet St., which was continued there for a period of 80 years.
- STOPPELFELD, LEONARD, Hanover, 1862, worked in the rubber shop.
- STRASSBURGER, RICHARD, Wuerttemberg, 1870. He published a weekly German paper "Deutsches Journal" at 40 Albany St. (See Chapter VI, sons Louis and Paul).
- STRAUSSER, JOSEPH, Austria, 1881, painter and paper hanger.
- STREIN, JOHN, Bavaria, 1862, rubber worker.
- STREITWOLF, AUGUST, Hesse, 1875, restaurant on Albany near Neilson St. He held the office of freeholder in 3d ward. His son August A. C. was a lawyer, and assemblyman. (See Chapter VI for his name).
- STROBEL, JOHN F., Wuerttemberg, 1858, served in the Civil War, and in the regular army. He was a butcher.

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- TAMM, CHARLES, Bremen, 1870, dyer of ivory buttons. Later conducted a stationery store on Church and Neilson St. He was the first president of the Aurora Singing Society.
- TEMME, F., Hanover, 1868, tailor.
- TEMME, WILLIAM, Hanover, 1862, rubber worker. (See Chapter VI for granddaughter Mrs. Harold Rodenberger [Carlon] and grandson William J. Carlon).
- TIEHM, BERNHARD, (Diehm), Baden, 1860, coachman for Wells and in hosiery mill.
- TRAMM, OTTO, Rhenish Prussia, 1880, worked in fruit jar factory and later conducted a hotel on Hiram St.

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VIEHMAN, ANTHONY, Baden, 1857, conducted a fancy goods store on Church St., near Dennis St. He served on the Building Committee of The Livingston Ave. Reformed Church. His son George was a lawyer, mayor of the city, and an organizer of the Middlesex Title and Trust Co. See References in Rutgers Library on his life and work. (See Chapter VI for his children George, Louise, and Bertha).

VIERECK, EUGENE, Prussia, 1884, interior fresco decorator, later the hotel on Albany and Peace St. His son

Eugene, Jr., an accountant.

VOGEL, FREDERICK, Wuerttemberg, 1880, a furrier on Church St.

- VOGEL, GUSTAVE FREDERICK, Wuerttemberg, 1881, machinist. (See Chapter VI for daughter Martha).
- VOGEL, MICHAEL, Hesse, 1880, rubber worker and later farmer.
- VOLKERT, KARL, Baden 1878, merchant tailor. (See Chapter VI, son Fred).
- VOLKERT, LORENZ, Baden, 1878, merchant tailor, first on Albany St., between Peace and Neilson St., then at 359 George St. His son Emil continued the business there. He was Mayor of Highland Park for two terms and was a great community worker. (See Chapter VI for grandsons Fred, and Carl Wolff).

VOLLMANN, ADOLPH, Dresden, Saxony, 1882, interior decorator.

- VON SPRECKELSEN, LOUIS, Hanover, 1883, grocery store at 68 Guilden St. His son William Henry continued the business.
- VOSSKUEHLER, HERMAN, Wuerttemberg, 1883, tinsmith.

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WAELDE, GOTTFRIED, Bavaria, 1878, rubber worker.

WAGNER, ADAM, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1865. In the rubber business.

WAGNER, AUGUST, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1863, rubber worker.

WAGNER, CONRAD, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1863, rubber worker, later fancy goods store in Milltown.

WAGNER,, H., Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1867, employed in the button shop.

WAGNER, JOHN, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1866, pet shop on Guilden St. Sold canary birds by the hundreds.

- WAHLER, ADELBERT, Bavaria, 1860, served in the Civil War; watchman at Johnsons.
- WALLER, JOHN, Rhenish Prussia, 1876, rubber worker.
- WALTER, CARL EDWARD, Wuerttemberg, 1882, shoemaker for George Schneider.
- WALTER, CARL, Wuerttemberg, 1885, foreman in Janeway and Carpenter wall paper mill, and later a land-scape gardener.
- WALTERS, JOHN, Bavaria, 1860, rubber worker.
- WARNER, WILLIAM, Baden, 1860, hard rubber worker. Later farmer near Milltown.
- WARNSDORFER, JOHN, Bamberg, Bavaria, 1870, market gardener. His son Henry was a member of the School Board of East Brunswick Twn.
- WEARING, CHRISTOPHER, Mecklenburg, 1854, captain on the canal boats; lost his life by drowning in the canal.
- WEBER, EMIL, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1877, rubber worker.
- WEBER, FRED., Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1888, foreman on the Pennsylvania R. R. for 38 years, then caretaker of the Stelton Public School. (See Chapter VI for daughters Louise [Morris] and Florence).
- WEBER, HENRY, Oberzell, Kurhessen, 1886, machinist, watch maker.
- WEBER, JACOB, Palatinate, 1865, tailor.
- WEHRFRITZ, JOHN, Palatinate, 1855, farmer.
- WEIGEL, JOHN, Palatinate, 1850, barber.
- WEIGEL, PHILIP, Heigelsheim, Palatinate, 1852, barber, at first with Theodore Silzer, his brother-in-law, on Church St., near Dennis Ave. After that he established his own business on Burnet Street. His sons—Frederick an attorney, City Attorney and bank director. George, City Tax Collector. William a Major General in the U. S. Army. (See Chapter VI for sons Frederick and William, for grandsons Kalteissen. Klemmer, and great-grandsons Kalteissen, William K., George A., Jr.).
- WEINGART, ANDREW, BAVARIA, 1861, farmer.
- WEISHEIMER, WILLIAM, Baden, 1867, barber for S. Zimmermann.

- WELLER, CHRISTOPHER, Frankford on the Rhine, Hesse, 1847, tailor on Easton Avenue and Mine St.
- WERNER (Woerner), JOHN HENRY, Schleswig-Holstein, Prussia, 1856. Served in the Civil War, and has a most remarkable record as a soldier with the rank of Captain. Was with the John R. Russel Coal Company for 25 years, first as head bookkeeper, later as manager.
- WHITEHEAD, DANIEL, Austria, 1847, drygoods and fancy store at 9 Church St.
- WIELAND, GEORGE, Bavaria, 1888, baker on Hassart St.
- WIENHOFT, WILLIAM, Mecklenburg, 1854, farmer and later dairy business on Guilden St.
- WIRTZ, FERDINAND, Prussia, 1852, hotel at 18 Albany Street.
- WISSERT, WILLIAM, Baden, 1888, watchman at the rubber shop.
- WITTIG, FREDERICK (Fritz), Bavaria, 1872, expert shoe cutter, had learned the trade in Germany, expert in selecting good quality of leather. He was connected with Felter's shoe factory. He had his own business for a while. Then part owner of The Middlesex Shoe Co. at 45-51-53 Washington St., near George St. He had many activities: member of the Historical Society, president of the People's Building and Loan Association, one of the six men who organized the Aurora Singing Society and held all the offices at one time or another. (See Chapter VIII. See also Chapter VI for his children: Frederick, Gustave, and Christine).
- WOELZ, AUGUST, West Prussia, 1888, carpenter, cabinet maker, ship-builder.
- WOERNER, MICHAEL, Wuerttemberg, 1860, worked in the oil factory, and rubber shop.
- WOLFF, OTTO, Berlin, 1870, upholsterer.
- WOLFSON, AARON, Prussia, 1855, tailor at first, then established a clothing business and merchant tailor on Burnet St., near Commerce Square, and from there to George St., near Livingston Ave. Member of the Board of Education. His sons Louis and Charles continued his business.

WOLFSON, MOSES, Prussia, 1863, tailor with his brother Aaron.

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YAHN, HENRY, Hesse, 1880, rubber worker.

YAHN, JOHN, Hesse, 1880, rubber worker.

YAHN, WILLIAM, Hesse, 1880, rubber worker.

YAHN, FREDERICK, Hesse, 1880, rubber worker.

YUNGER, FRANK, Austria, 1863, butcher at Somerset and College Ave. His son Francis J. a priest and pastor of The St. John's Roman Catholic Church. (See Chapter VI).

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ZAHN, ANDREW, Bavaria, 1858, grocery store on Richmond St. His son Andrew, Jr., an alderman. (See Chapter VI for grandchildren Miss Louise C. and Philip Henry Benz).

ZEUNER, FREDERICK, Bavaria, 1852, hotel on Easton Avenue.

ZIMMERMANN, HENRY B., Hesse, 1862, barber and hair dresser, Church near Dennis St.

ZIMMERMANN, JOHN, Baden, 1861, hotel on Burnet St., between Schurman and Richmond St.

ZIMMERMANN, MARTIN, Bavaria, 1855, worked in the bottling works.

ZIMMERMANN, PETER, Alsace-Loraine, 1872, meat packer. (See Chapter VI for daughters Minna, Gretchen [Roemer], and Carolyn).

ZIMMERMANN, Sebastian, Hoppenheim, Hesse, 1842, settled in Martinsville. See Chapter I. Farmer, who marketed all his produce in New Brunswick. Of his 11 children 10 came to New Brunswick, one remaining on the homestead. His son Sebastian, Jr., conducted a barber shop for many years, and was very well informed on the early settlers in New Brunswick, and was a great help to the author. (See Chapter VI for the great-grandchildren of the senior Mr. Zimmermann—Marie Elizabeth Zimmerman and Charles DeWald Zimmermann and grandson Frederick Schussler, Jr.).

#### CHAPTER III

## GERMAN STATES FROM WHICH THEY CAME

## -TABULATION-

For the names in full see Chapter II by the use of the alphabet letter here given; the numeral indicates how many there are under each letter.

This division of states is based on a map of Germany of this period as published by Hammond.

They came from 19 of the 26 states.

Alsace-Loraine-15-B1, D1, F1, H1, J4, M2, P1, S3, Z1.

\*Austria-12-G2, L1, P5, S2, W1, Y1.

Baden—43—A3, B5, E1, F1, H6, K6 L3, M1, N1, O1, S7, T1, V3, W3, Z1.

Bavaria—113—B8, C1, D6, E2, F10, G7, H13, K9, L3, M10, N4, O2, P7, R12, S9, W7, Z3.

Berlin-18-B3, H1, K5, R1, S7, W1.

Bremen-3-K1, S1, T1.

Hamburg-1--P1.

Hanover—33—B12, D1, F1, H2, I1, J2, K1, L2, M3, R1, S4, T2, V1.

Hesse and Kurhecsen—112—B4, C6, D5, E2, F2, G5, H9, I1, K16, L13, M6, N3, O3, P1, R6, S14, V1, W9, Y4, Z2.

Hesse-Darmstadt—26—B3, D3, F2, G3, K4, L4, M3, N1, S3. Mecklenburg—11—A1, G1, H1, M4, R1, S1, W2.

Oldenburg-5---B1, L1, M1, O1, R1.

Palatinate—18—A1, C1, D1, F1, H1, K1, L1, M1, P1, S5, W4.

Prussia—53—A1, B6, C1, D1, F3, H4, J7, K1, L1, M4, N1, O1, P2, R2, S12, V1, W5.

Rhenish Prussia-10-C1, E1, P1, Q2, S3, T1, W1.

Saxony-16-B1, G3, H4, L1, M2, R1, S3, V1.

Thuringia—3—A1. S2.

Wuerttemberg—41—B3, C1, D1, E2, F1, G1, H5, K2, M2, R3, S14, V3, W3.

\*Switzerland—7—B4, F1, K2.

<sup>\*</sup> While not a German State, the people are classed as Germans.

# THE YEARS THEY SETTLED IN NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

To locate the name in full, see the beginning of this chapter.

- 1838-- 1-M
- 1839-0
- 1840— 1—S
- 1841--- 1---J
- 1842— 5—H 1, J 2, K 1, Z 1.
- 1843- 5-C 1, H 1, J 1, M 1, P 1.
- 1844--- 2--- K 1, S 1.
- 1845--- 7--- B 1, G 2, H 2, K 1, R 1.
- 1846— 4—D 1, F 1, K 1, O 1.
- 1847— 5—B 1, F 1, G 1, W 2.
- 1848-4-A 1, K 1, M 1, S 1.
- 1849--- 4--- K 1, P 1, R 1.
- 1850—31—B 4, C 1, D 2, E 1, H 3, K 4, L 2, N 3, O 1, P 1, R 1, S 7, W 1.
- 1851- 9-F1, G1, H3, K1, M1, S2.
- 1852—17—A 1, D 1, G 1, H 1, K 3, L 1, M 3, P 1, Q 1, S 1, W 2, Z 1.
- 1853--- 3--- M 2, S 1.
- 1854-- 7-D 1, H 1, R 2, S 1, W 2.
- 1855—22—B 3, F 2, G 1, H 1, K 5, L 3, Q 1, S 2, T 1, W 2, Z 1.
- 1856— 8—B 1, C 1, H 2, M 1, N 1, S 1, W 1.
- 1857— 7—A 1, D 1, M 2, R 1, S 1, V 1.
- 1858-14-G1, H2, L1, O1, P1, R1, S6, Z1.
- 1859— 7—F1, K2, N1, P1, S2.
- 1860—36—A 1, B 2, C 1, D 2, E 1, F 1, G 2, H 2, J 1, K 2, L 2, M 4, N 1, P 4, S 5, T 1, W 4.
- 1861-14-B 1, G 1, H 2, M 2, N 1, P 1, S 4, W 1, Z 1.
- 1862— 8—K 2, N 1, S 3, T 1, Z 1.
- 1863-12-B 1, G 1, H 1, K 1, M 1, R 1, S 1, W 4, Y 1.
- 1864— 6—F 1, L 2, M 2, P 1.

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1865-20-B 5, F 1, G 1, H 2, K 4, L 1, M 2, S 2, W 2.
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1866-11-F 2, G 1, H 1, K 1, M 3, R 1, S 1, W 1.

1867-10-F 1, G 1, H 1, K 1, Q 1, R 3, S 1, W 1.

1868-10-B 2, E 1, H 2, M 3, S 2,

1869— 6—A 1, H 3, P 1, S 1.

1870—34—B 3, D 1, E 1, F 3, G 4, H 1, K 2, L 3, M 1, O 2, R 2, S 8, T 1, W 1.

1871-10-B 3, C 1, H 4, N 1, S 1.

1872—18—B 4, C 1, D 1, F 1, H 1, L 1, M 1, P 2, R 2, W 2, Z 1.

1873— 4—C 1, I 1, L 1, O 1.

1874— 6—D 1, G 1, K 1, L 2, S 1.

1875—17—B 3, D 1, E 1, F 2, H 1, J 2, K 3, L 1, M 1, R 1, S 1.

1876— 6—B 1, D 1, O 1, S 2, W 1.

1877- 8-B 2, C 2, D 2, K 1, W 1.

1878— 7—D 1, N 1, P 1, S 1, V 2, W 1.

1879- 7-D 1, F 2, K 1, L 1, P 1, R 1.

1880—28—B 4, D 1, F 1, G 1, H 1, L 2, M 2, O 1, R 1, S 7, T 1, V 2, Y 4.

1881—13—B 1, C 2, D 1, E 1, K 1, L 3, R 1, S 2, V 1.

1882—15—B 1, D 1, E 1, G 1, H 1, J 1, L 1, M 2, R 1, S 3, V 1, W 1.

1883—13—B 1, C 1, F 1, H 3, K 1, L 2, N 1, S 2, V 1.

1884— 5—R 2, S 2, V 1.

1885-13-B 2, F 1, H 2, J 2, S 5, W 1.

1886--- 7-H 1, J 1, S 1, W 1.

1887-12-B 1, G 1, J 2, K 3, M 1, P 1, R 1, S 2.

1888-20-A 1, E 1, I 1, K 3, L 1, M 1, R 2, S 5, V 1, W 1.

#### CHAPTER IV

## THE PROFESSIONS, OCCUPATIONS AND BUSINESSES THEY PURSUED — TABULATION

For the names in full see Chapter II by the use of the alphabet letter here given: the numeral indicates how many there are under each letter.

143 different lines and 540 individuals, some under more than one classification.

- Agriculture-69-A 2, B 7, C 2, D 1, F 7, G 1, H 7, I 1, I. J2, K6, L2, M5, N1, O4, P2, R1, S10, V1, W 5, Z 1.
- II. Artists—8—A1, D 1, H 1, I 1, S 2, V 2.
- III. Barbers-13-D 1, H 2, K 2, L 3, P 1, S 1, W 3, Z 1.
- IV. Contractors-6-G1, K2, L1, S1, V1.
- V. Foremen-15-G1, H2, K3, L1, M1, S4, W3,
- Hotels-18-B 3, C 1, E 1, F 2, G 2, K 1, L 2, M 2, S 2, VI. W 1 Z 2.
- VII. Manufacturers—20 different lines: 32 individuals.

Baskets-1-S.

Boots and Shoes-2-G 1. W 1.

Bottling Works—1—Z 1.

Box Factory-2-F1, K1.

Brewery-3-B1, K1, S1.

Brushes-1-B 1.

Button Shop—2—B 1, H 1.

Carpet-3-K 1, L 1, O 1.

Cigar Factory—4—B 1, L 1, P 1. Confectionery—4—B 1, F 1, H 1, S 1.

Dveing—3—B 1, M 1, T 1.

Furniture-1-H 1.

Grist Mill-2-C 1, S 1.

Shoe Factory-2-G 1, W 1.

Linen Weaving-1-K 1.

Locksmith-1-G 1.

Marble Yard—1—H 1.

Rubber Industry—1—M 1.

Tannery-1-L 1.

Wheelwright-2-B 1, R 1.

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VIII. Mechanics—19—A 1, G 2, H 1, K 3, L 2, M 2, R 3, S 4,
          V 1
     Merchants-30 different lines-135 individuals.
IX.
          Bakeries-15-B 3, D 3, G 2, P 2, R 2, S 2 W 1.
          Cigar Stores—7—B 1. F 1. H 2. L 2. P 1.
          Clothing—1—W
          Coal Dealers-4-B 2, M 1, S 1.
          Confectionery-4-B 1, F 1, H 1, S 1,
          Cutlery-2-H 1. S 1.
          Dairy—7—B 1, J 1, K 1, P 1, S 1, W 1.
          Delicatessen-1-H
          Druggists-2-K 2.
          Dry-goods Stores-5-H 1, P 3, S 1.
          Fancy Goods Stores-5-H.1. P1. V1. W2.
          Florists-3-B 1, D 1, M 1,
          Furniture-1-H
          Furrier-1-V
          General Merchandise-3-H 1, K 1, O 1,
          Grocery Store-10-B 1. H 1. K 3. R 1. S 2. V 1.
                             Z 1.
          Hardware Store-1-F
          Harness Shop-2-H. L1.
          Hat Store—1—H
          Jewelry Store-2-M 1, S 1.
          Leather Findings—2—L 1, Q 1.
          Meat Merchants—16—B 2, D 2, G 2, L 2, M 3,
P 1, R 1, S 1, Y 1, W 1.
          Merchant Tailors-29-B2, D2, F1, J2, K2,
                                 L2, M2, P2, R1, S3,
                                 T 1, V 4, W 5.
          Millinery Shops—2—B1, H1.
          Music Stores—2—G 1. S 1.
          Organ and Piano Dealer-1-S.
          Pet Shops—1—W.
          Shoe Stores-5-G 1. Q 1. S 3.
          Stationery Store—1—T.
          Stone yards—1—H.
X.
     Professional—6 different kinds—23 individuals.
          Ministers—5—B 1, D 1, M 1, N 1, S 1.
          Musicians-8-G2, M2, P1, S3.
          Physicians—2—K.
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Private Secretary—1—H.
Professors—4—D 1, F 1, M 1, P 1.
Teachers of Music—4—G 1, M 1, P 1, S 1.

XI. Publishers-2.

Newspaper-1-S.

Printing-1-H.

XII. Various Trades and Work-60 different kinds-419

individuals.

Abbatoir—1—R.

Bakers-17-B 2, D 2, G 1, K 1, M 1, P 1, R 3, S4, W1, Z1.

Basket Makers—1—S.

Blacksmith—1—R.

Boatman-4-G 1, M 1, S 1, W 1.

Bookbinder—1—H.

Bookkeeper-3-B 1, G 1, P 1,

Bootmaker—7—B 1, G 2, H 1, M 1, R 1, S 1.

Bottling-1-Z.

Box Makers-2-F1. K1.

Brush Makers—1—B.

Butchers-20-B 2, C 1, D 3, F 1, G 2, K 1, L 1, M 3, P 1, R 1, S 2, Y 2.

Button Makers-22-B1, F1, H3, K2, L2, M3, N4, S6.

Cabinet Makers—8—B 2, C 1, K 1, L 1, P 1, S 1, W 1.

Candy Maker-2-F 1. H 1.

Carpenters-10-B2, H1, L1, N1, S4, W1.

Cemetery Helper-1-E.

Scissors Grinder-1-C.

Cigar Makers-5-B 1, H 1, L 2, P 1.

Clerks-4-E 1, K 1, R 1, S 1.

Coachmen-4-A 1, B 1, F 1, T 1.

Coal Yard Workers—5—A 1, G 1, M 1, S 1, W 1.

Dyers—2—A 1, H 1.

Firemen-2-S.

Fruit Jar Workers-4-G 2, H 1, T 1.

General Workers—6—E 1. R 2. S 3.

Gristmill-2-B 1, S 2.

Harness Makers-2-H 1, L 1.

Hosiery Mill-4-M 2, R 2.

Janitors—2—M 1. R 1.

Jewelers—5—M 1. R 1. S 2. W 1.

Lamp Factory—3—K 1, L 1, S 1.

Life Insurance Agents—1—K.

Locksmith—1—G.

Needle Maker-1-K.

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Oil Factory—2—K 1. W 1.
Piano Tuner—1—G.
Plater—1—L.
Policemen—2—D 1, K 1.
Polisher—1—B.
Porter—1—M.
Potter-1-E.
Public Service—1—S.
Railroaders—4—B 1. L 1. O 1. S 1.
Rubber Workers—153—A 1, B 16, C 4, D 7, E 4,
                      F5, G3, H10, J9, K
                      16, L 8, M 12, N 2, O 3,
                      P3, R9, S26, T1, V1.
                      W 10, Y 3.
Salesmen—4—R 1. S 2. W 1.
Shirt Factory—1—M.
Shoemakers-32-A 1, D 1, E 1, F 1, G 8, H 5, K
                3, L 1, P 1, Q 2, R 2, S 5, W 1.
Snuff Mill—1—H.
Stationary Engineers-2-C 1, H 1.
Stone Cutter-3-H 1. R 1. S 1.
Stone Masons—5—H 1. J 1. M 2. S 1.
Tanner—1—L.
Tailors-26-B 2, D 1, F 1, G 1, H 1, J 1, K 1,
            L2, M4, P1, R1, S3, T1, V2,
            W 4.
Turner of Rubber—1—E.
Upholsterers-4-H 1, M 1, S 1, W 1.
Watchmen—5—B 1, K 1, R 1, W 2.
Wall Paper Workers—3—B 1, M 1, W 1.
Weavers—Carpet—Linen—6—B 1, H 2, K 1, M
                            1, 01.
Wheelwrights-2-B1, R1.
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## CHAPTER V.

## THEIR ACTIVITIES IN PUBLIC LIFE

Alderman—3—Robert Karman, Valentine Schmidt, and Frederick Staat.

Bank Directors—4—Constantine Hingher, Philip Hirsh, Christopher Meyer, and Frederick Staat.

Board of Education—7—Berthold Christ, Dr. J. A. Dewald, William Glock, Frederick Miller, George Roeder, Frederick Staat, and Aaron Wolfson.

Board of Trade-1-Philip Hirsh.

Borough Council—2—Berthold Christ and John Christ.

Building and Loan-2-Philip Hirsh and Fritz Wittig.

Freeholder—4—Abraham Feihle, Philip Kuhlthau, Frederick Miller and August Streitwolf.

Historical Society—1—Fritz Wittig.

Mayor-1-Lorenze Volkert.

Organizer of Industry—4—Adam Geipel, Constantine Hingher, Christopher Meyer, and Valentine Schmidt.

Postmaster—2—George Gerhardt and Philip Kuhlthau.

Public Safety-2-John Dotzler and William George Kuhn.

Public Utility—2—Rudolph Becker and Christopher Meyer. Justice of the Peace—2—John Finzel and Richard Schu-

Justice of the Peace—2—John Finzel and Richard Schumacher.

Recruiting Officer-2-William Bauer and Martin Klein.

Tax Assessor—2—John Christ and Abraham Feihle.

Volunteer Fire Department—3—Louis Sass, George Schneider and Frederick Staat.

## WAR SERVICE.

## CIVIL AND SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS.

Served in the Civil War—40. Many entered the war as soon as they arrived in this country. Even before coming to New Brunswick. Since not all of them enlisted from New Brunswick and even after the war did not affiliate themselves with the local veteran organizations, it is possible that there were more than those I have here listed. The local records are also incomplete. More is written about their record under the list of facts of their life, in Chapter II.

Henry Acker and son Frank George G. Baier Morris Bauer George Dahmer Jacob Dahmer Andrew Dohm George Dohm George Fries Frederick Garling Adam Geipel Fred Hevl Joseph Hodapp August Hubner Henry Junker Christopher Keller Martin Klein John Kohlhepp Otto Koster Henry Kuhlthau William Lins Frederick Milleman John H. Ochs John Phester Benj. H. Plechner John Pressler

Edward Pressler Peter Rausch, Sr. John Joseph Rink George Roeder Stephan Schneider Nicholas Schrum Jacob Schultheiss John Schultheiss George Seiffert John Snyder John Spillie John F. Strobel Adelbert Wahler Henry John Werner

Spanish American War-2

Edward Lammerst Henry D. Landahl

#### ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- Acker, Andrew—A founder of the St. John's Roman Catholic Church.
- Bank, Dr. Carl—Pastor of the German Evangelical Reformed St. John's Church, George and Albany Streets for 36 years.
- Becker, Rudolph—Drove the first pick into the ground for the N. B. Horse Car R. R. Co.
- Berlineke, Ernest—Treasurer of the Lutheran Church for a long period of time.
- Christ, Berthold—Superintendent of the St. Paul's Reformed S. S., Milltown, for 35 years; his wife the organizer and president of the Ladies Aid Society.
- Deinzer, George—A founder of the St. John's Roman Catholic Church.
- DeWald, Dr. J. A.—Pastor of the Emanuel Lutheran Church for almost 50 years.
- Dotzler, John—The first policeman in N. B.—no salary—paid for number of arrests made.
- Frank, William—Organizer of the Aurora German Singing Society.
- Jansen, Samuel—The first driver of the horse cars.
- Landmesser, Fred—A son of Charles, continued his father's barber business at 63-65 Albany Street from 1860 to 1930 for 70 successive years.
- Meyer, Dr. Carl—Professor of Rutgers and Pastor of the 3rd Reformed Church for 35 years.
- Meyer, Christopher—The first German immigrant to settle permanently in New Brunswick—organizer of many rubber industries in and around New Brunswick.
- Mueller, A. F. W.—Jeweler; one of the first business stores on George Street.
- Schussler, Frederick—Baker and confectioner was the first to re-locate his business from Hiram Street to George Street.
- Staat, Frederick—Served 16 consecutive years on the Board of Education.

- Stokes, Theodore—Started a crockery business on Burnett Street, which was in constant operation for 80 years.
- Wittig, Fritz—The German who had the most diversified interests in the community—and best known for his broad sympathies and activities.
- Volkert, Lorenz—One of the most popular and best loved of Mayors and community workers in general.

### CHAPTER VI

# DESCENDANTS WHO ATTENDED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES—154

Baier, Mr. Joseph G. Baier, Mr. Robert Baier, Miss Elizabeth E. (Maugham) Baier, Mr. Joseph G., Jr.

Baier, Mr. Frederick

Baier, Mr. Richard Baier, Mr. George F., Jr.

Baier, Miss Blanche V. Baier, Mr. Wm. Baier, Mr. Edwin Baier, Miss Marjorie G. Baier, Mr. Edwin L. Baier, Miss Dorothy Bauer, Miss Emma Bauer, Mr. George Bauer, Mr. Robert G.

Benz, Miss Louise Catharine Benz, Mr. Philip Henry

Carlon, Mr. Wm. J. (Temme)

DeHart, Miss Grace (Hunt)

DeHart, Mr. Joseph Morris

DeHart, Mr. Wm. Charles DeWald, Mr. Ernest T.

DeWald, Miss Emma DeWald, Miss Martha DeWald, Miss Bertha Rutgers 1896 Rutgers 1930 N. J. C. 1926

Rutgers 1928 U. of W. 1929, 1932 Rutgers 1931

Western Reserve Medical

Rutgers 1933

Rutgers 1927; Harvard Law

School N. J. C. 1929 Rutgers 1935 Rutgers 1939 N. J. C. 1936 Rutgers 1908 N. J. C. 1936

State Normal School

Springfield

Pennington Preparatory and Junior College Trenton Teachers' College

Coleman's at Newark, N. J.

Junior College

Trenton Normal School (Kuhlthau)

Rutgers 1931, Fordham Law School 1934

Rutgers 1937 Rutgers 1911, Princeton Ph.D.

Trenton Normal School Trenton Normal School Trenton Normal School

N.Y.U. 1919 A.B., 1924 M.A. Dorn, Mr. William J. Dunn, Mr. Howard J.

Dunn, Mr. Robert

Eden, Mr. Edwin W. Eden, Mr. L. Theodore Eden, Mr. Edwin W., Jr. Eden, Miss Eleanore Eden, Miss Margaret E.

Fischer, Mr. Joseph Fischer, Mr. Robert

Gaub, Mr. John
Gaub, Miss Elsie
Gaub, Mr. William
Gaub, Miss Alma
Gebhardt, Mr. Frederick
William Garner
Gonch, Rev. Edmond

Gonch, Sister Agnes Gordon, Mr. John, Jr.

Hall, Mr. Charles Dixon Hall, Mr. Robert Hall, Mr. Alfred George Hall, Miss Mercedes Heidingsfeld, Mr. Ralph Heyl, Miss Alice M. Himmler, Mr. Garrett G. Hingher, Mr. Joseph

Jennings, Mr. Kenneth Quad Jennings, Miss Mildred (Bates)

Junker, Miss Grace Junker Mr. Frederick E.

Kalteissen, Mr. Klemmer Kalteissen, Mr. William K. Kalteissen, Mr. George A. Keidel, Miss Anna Keller, Mr. Oran Wilson Commercial School Trenton Teachers' College and Rutgers Rutgers 1939 (Lins)

Rutgers 1910 (Baier) Rutgers 1936 (Baier) Rutgers 1933 (Baier) N. J. C. 1941 (Baier) N. J. C. 1937 (Baier)

Rutgers 1871 Rutgers 1877

Rutgers 1905, Columbia Rutgers Prep Rutgers 1921, Columbia Rutgers Prep

Pratt Institute St. Vincent College and St. Mary's Seminary Nazareth Novitiate Convent Rutgers 1937

Columbia University
New York Electrical School
Rutgers
Pratt Institute
Rutgers 1911
Trenton Normal School
N. C. State College
Rutgers

Rutgers 1924 (Quad) Trenton Normal School (Quad)

Trenton Normal School 1930 Rutgers 1937

Rutgers 1916 Rutgers 1937 Rutgers 1939 N. Y. U. 1915 B.S. Rutgers 1912 Knoll, Rev. Albert

Kuhlthau, Miss Evelyn (Dunn) Kulthau, Dr. D. Garver

Kuhlthau, Mr. Kearney Y.

Kuhlthau, Mr. Conrad

Kuhlthau, Miss Edna R. Kuhlthau, Miss Carol E. Kuhlthau, Merton W.

Landahl, Miss Ethel G.

Landmesser, Miss Bertha Latcher, Miss Anna

Latcher, Rev. Mr. Albert Latcher, Miss Rose A. Latcher, Miss Bertha E. Latcher, Miss Pauline A. Lauber, Miss Gertrude

Marks, Mr. Alvin Meyer, Mr. Otto Meyer, Mr. Charles Meyers, Kenneth I. Miller, Mr. Henry

Miller, Mr. Wm. A. Miller, Mr. Theo. H.

Mullen, Miss Marie Ann

Otken, Mr. Edwin J. Quad, Mr. Louis J. Rutgers 1926; Franklin and Marshall Theological Seminary of Reformed Church 1928

Trenton Normal School 1917 (Landmesser)

Rutgers 1922, Columbia Medical School 1926

Rutgers 1924; N. J. Law School 1927

Rutgers Prep and N. Y. U. 1928

N. J. C. 1932 N. J. C. 1935

Rutgers 1931 and Univ. of Pennsylvania 1934

N. J. C. 1924 Litt.B.
Eastman School of Organ,
New York
Graduate Nurse
Dr. Schamplers Mission
School, New York City
also Pratt Training School
Chester Seminary
Missionary Training School
Voice Culture

Rutgers 1930 Rutgers 1874 Rutgers 1878 Rutgers 1941 Rutgers 1894,

N. J. C. 1930

Rutgers 1894, N. B. Theol. Seminary 1897 Rutgers 1926

Trenton, N. J., and Parsons Art School, New York Trenton Normal School (Mueller)

Rutgers 1929 (Heyl)

Rutgers 1899

Quad, Mr. John K. Quad, Mr. Louis R. Quad, Mr. Harold F.

Petri, Peter J.

Plechner, Mr. George J. Plechner, Miss Carolyn

Richter, Miss Elizabeth

Rodenberger, Mr. Harold

Rodenberger, Mrs. Harold (Carlon)

Roemer, Mrs. Gretchen (Zimmerman)

Rupprecht, Miss Virginia

Schmidt, Miss Gertrude K.

Schmidt, Mr. Edwin J. Schneeweiss, Mr. Henry P. Schneeweiss, Mr. Oliver P. Schneeweiss, Mr. Franz

Schneider, Mr. Frederick C. Schneider, Mr. Charles Schneider, Mr. George Schneider, Mr. William N. Schneider, Mr. Edward Schneider, Miss Anna Schneider, Miss Laura (Himmler)

Schneider, Miss Lillian Schneider, Miss Elizabeth (Farkas)

Schneider, Mr. Frederick C. Jr.

Schussler, Mr. Frederick, Jr. Seiffert, Mr. Morgan R.

Seng, Mr. Eugene

Rutgers 1926 Rutgers 1926 Rutgers 1928

St. John's College Grand Seminary 1885

N. Y. U. Trenton Normal School

N. J. Teachers' College 1931 (Holzapfel)

N. J. College of Pharmacy 1922 (Ingebrand)

N. J. Teachers' College 1928 (Temme)

Trenton Normal School

N.J. College for Women 1941

Trenton State Normal; Institute of Musical Art, N. Y.; Cornell; N.Y.U.; B.S. and M.A. 1933

Rutgers 1929 Rutgers 1877 Rutgers 1881

Rutgers 1855, Theological Seminary

Rutgers 1903 Coleman's, Newark, N. J. Wilson's, New Brunswick Ryder, Trenton Rutgers 1909 Rutgers 1930 Trenton Normal School

Rutgers 1932 W. Orange Memorial Hosp'l

Rutgers 1936

Preparatory School Rutgers 1923, N. J. Law School 1927 Rutgers 1905 Seng, Mr. Harry A. Seng, Mr. John W. Seng, Mr. William E. Seng, Miss Anna

Siemons, Miss Emma (Hogan) Silzer, Miss Anna (Truman) Snyder, Miss Lizetta

Spiers, Miss Norma (Kuhlthau) Staat, Mr. George Francis

Stang, Mr. William Streitwolf, Mr. August A. C. Stadlinger, Miss Rose Stadlinger, Miss Hannah Stadlinger, Dr. Charles Stadlinger, Dr. Henry Stadlinger, Dr. Peter Strassburger, Mr. Louis Strassburger, Mr. Paul Suydam, Dr. B. Webster

Viehman, Hon. Geo. A. Viehman, Miss Louise Viehman, Miss Bertha Vogal, Miss Martha Volkert, Mr. Fred G. C. Weber, Miss Louise (Morris)

Weber, Miss Florence

Weigel, Mr. Fred Weigel, Major Gen. Wm. Wittig, Mr. Gustave F. Wittig, Mr. Fritz C. Wittig, Miss Christine

N. J. College of Pharmacy N. J. College of Pharmacy Coleman's, Newark, N. J. N. J. C. 1926, Boston Art School and Columbia U. Trenton Normal School; Rutgers and Columbia U. Conservatory of Music Music Dept. Teachers' College, Trenton Institute of Music Pedagogy, N. Hampton, Mass., Skidmore College of Music;

New Jersey College for Women 1933 University of Southern California 1934 Rutgers 1915 Peddie Institute Trenton Normal School Trenton Normal School Medical School Medical School Dental College Rutgers 1898 Rutgers 1903 Cornell University

Rutgers

Rutgers 1886 Trenton Normal School Trenton Normal School Rutgers 1931 Rutgers 1904

Trenton Teachers College 1926Stroudsburg Normal School 1929

Rutgers 1880 West Point Rutgers 1896 Rutgers 1904 Trenton Normal, Kindergarten, N. Y.

Wolff, Mr. Fred W. Wolff, Mr. Carl L.

Yunger, Rev. Francis J.

Zimmerman, Miss Minna

Zimmerman, Miss Carolyn

Zimmerman, Miss Marie Elizabeth

Zimmerman, Mr. Chas. (DeWald)

Rutgers 1917 (Volkert) Rutgers 1926 (Volkert)

Anselm's College and St. Vincent Seminary

Grand Conservatory of Music, NYC

Conservatory of Voice Culture

Newark Normal School;
Panver College (Physical Education); Rutgers B.S. and Master in Education (DeWald)

Rutgers 1930

# TEACHERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES—44

#### DESCENDANTS--

Baier, Mr. Joseph G.

Baier, Mr. Robert

Baier, Mr. Joseph G., Jr.

Baier, Miss Elizabeth E. (Maugham)

Baier, Miss Blanche

Bauer, Miss Emma

Benz, Miss Louise Catherine

DeHart, Miss Grace (Hunt) (Kuhlthau)

DeWald, Mr. Ernest

DeWald, Miss Emma (Stewart)

DeWald, Miss Martha

DeWald, Miss Bertha

Gaub, Mr. William

Hevl. Miss Alice M.

Jennings, Miss Mildred (Quad)

Junker, Miss Grace

Keidel, Miss Anna

Kuhlthau, Miss Evelyn (Dunn) (Landmesser)

Miller, Mr. Henry

Mullen, Miss Marie Ann (Mueller)

Plechner, Miss Carolyn

Richter, Miss Elizabeth (Holzapfel)

Rodenberger, Mrs. Harold (Temme)

Roemer, Mrs. Gretchen (Zimmerman)

Schmidt, Miss Gertrude K.

Schneider, Mr. Frederick C.

Schneider, Miss Anna

Schneider, Miss Laura (Himmler)

Schneider, Miss Lillian Seng, Miss Anna Siemons, Miss Emma (Hogan) Snyder, Miss Lizetta Staat, Mr. George Francis Stadlinger, Miss Rose Stadlinger, Miss Hannah Viehman, Miss Louise

Viehman, Miss Louise Viehman, Miss Bertha Vogel, Miss Martha

Weber, Miss Louise (Morris) Weber, Miss Florence Wittig, Mr. Fritz Wittig, Mr. Gustave

Wittig, Miss Christine (Carter) Zimmerman, Miss Elizabeth

# DESCENDANTS — THEIR PROFESSIONS AND PUBLIC LIFE ACTIVITIES

52 different kinds and 184 individuals.

- Accountants—3—William J. Dorn, Conrad Kuhlthau, and Eugene Viereck
- Alderman—5—John H. Becker, August T. Landmesser, William F. Miller, Henry Seiffert, and Andrew Zahn, Jr.
- Assemblyman—1—August A. Streitwolf
- Artists-2-Theodore H. Miller, and Miss Mercedes Hall
- Attorneys—10—Nicholas Bindseil, Klemmer Kalteissen, Kearney Y. Kuhlthau, Joseph M. Dehart, George J. Plechner, Morgan R. Seiffert, Hon. George S. Silzer, August A. C. Streitwolf, George Viehman, and Frederick Weigel
- Automobile License—2—William Gonch, and George Pressler
- Bank Directors—7—John C. Frisch, Conrad W. Kuhlthau, Frederick C. Schneider, Carl Schmidt, Hon. George S. Silzer, George Viehman, and Frederick Weigel
- Board of Education—9—Morris Bauer, Jr., Isador Hirsh, George Kuhlthau, John Kuhlthau, Henry E. Lins, Harold J. Schlosser, John Skwendemann, Samuel J. Shultise, Jr., and Henry Warnsdorfer
- Board of Election-1-Charles Gruenewald
- Borough Council—4—Henry Kuhlthau, William C. Kuhlthau, Henry E. Lins, and John N. Ochs
- Cartoonist-1-Charles M. Banks
- Chamber of Commerce Officers—3—John C. Frisch, Morgan R. Seiffert, and H. Albert Seiffert
- Chemists—6—Richard Baier, Edwin Otken, Harold Rodenberger, Louis J. Quad, Edwin J. Schmidt, and Eugene Seng
- City Attorney-1-Frederick Weigel
- City Clerk—3—John Deinzer, Jr., Frank A. Metzrath, and Harold J. Schlosser
- City Engineer—2—Frederick C. Schneider, and Morgan R. Seiffert

City Tax Collectors—2—Henry F. Mueller, and George Weigel

City Commissioners—3—George F. Baier, George F. Baier, Jr., and J. J. Feaster (Phester)

Civil Engineers—3—Robert Baier, Frederick C. Schneider, and Morgan R. Seiffert.

Constable—1—John Schwendemann

Continued in their fathers business—25—Charles H. Bruns, John Frisch, George Frisch, Frederick A. Gebhardt, Ralph Heidengsfeld, Ernst Heidengsfeld, Edward Hingher, Charles Hingher, Henry Klein, Peter Klein, Frederick Landmesser, Max Lederer, Rudolph Mueller, John Paulus, John Paulus, Jr., Chester Paulus, Reinhold Paulus, Mrs. Caroline Jennings (Quad), John Rosner, George F. Schmidt, August Schmidt, David Schmidt, Charles Schmidt, Fred Smalley, Emil Volkert, William Henry Von Sprekelsen, Louis Wolfson, and Charles Wolfson.

Contractors—2—John Dahmer, and Frederick C. Schneider Dentists—2—Merton Kuhlthau, and Peter Stadtlinger

Electrical Engineers—5—Frederick W. G. Gebhardt, Robert Hall, Frederick G. Keidel, William A. Miller, and William H. Stang

Fire Department—3—Charles Gruenwald, John Lens, William H. Snyder

Freeholders—5—Louis Belhoff, A. J. Gebhardt, Frederick Gebhardt, Klemmer Kalteissen, John Kuhlthau

Governor of the State-Hon. George S. Silzer

Insurance—3—Alfred Dorn (Underwriter), John N. Ochs (State Agent), and Samuel J. Shultise, Jr.

Journalism—5—Charles M. Bank, Carl F. Heyl, John Quad, Kenneth Quad Jennings, George F. Staat

Judge-1-Hon. George S. Silzer

Jury Clerk—1—Anthony Silzer (Grand Jury Clerk)

Jury Commissioner-1-John H. Becker

Justice of the Peace-1-Joseph Baier

Mail Carrier—3—Jacob Knoll, John G. Schlee, and F. August Smith

Major General of U.S. Army—1—Major General William Weigel

Manufacturer—1—George Geipel

- Mayors—3—Edwin W. Eden, William C. Kuhlthau, and George Viehman
- Ministers of the Gospel—8—Edmond Gonch, Sister Agnes Gonch, Carl F. Heyl, Albert Knoll, Albert Latcher, Peter J. Petri, Franz M. W. Schneeweiss, and Francis J. Yunger
- Missionaries—3—The Misses Anna, Rose, and Bertha Latcher
- Musicians—10—George E. Christ, Paul William Kuhlthau, Ethel G. Landahl, Pauline Latcher, Gertrude Lauber, Gertrude K. Schmidt, Lizetta D. Snyder, Anna Silzer, Minna Zimmerman, and Carolyn Zimmerman
- Nurses—5—Ruth E. Banker, Louise Roberta Gowen, Bertha Landmesser, Elizabeth Schneider (Farkas), and Cathrine Suydam
- Overseer of the Poor-1-Samuel Schultheiss
- Pharmacists -2-Harry A. Seng, and John W. Seng
- Physicians—4—Frederick D. Baier, D. Garver Kuhlthau, Charles Stadtlinger, and Henry A. Stadtlinger
- Policemen—4— George Christian Hubner, John Otterbein, George C. Seiffert, and Edward Spille
- Postmasters—3—Joseph Hodapp (Spottswood), I. S. Luttman (Dayton), and several generations of Kuhlthau in Milltown
- Principal of Senior High School—2—Henry Miller, and George Francis Staat, an assistant superintendent of School. San Diego. Cal.
- Publisher-1-Charles M. Bank (Watkins Weekly)
- Real Estate and Insurance—2—William T. Metzrath, and Samuel J. Shultise, Jr.

Revenue Service-1-Frank Knoll

Township Clerk-1-Frank Metzrath

Treasurer of Rutgers University—1—Henry Schneeweiss

United States Army and Navy—William Baschong, Erward Lammerst, Joseph Pheiffer, Henry Pheiffer, Major General William Weigel, and George Francis Staat in charge of educational work at Fort Rosecram and hospital at Point Loma

United States Marshall—1—Frederick C. Schneider

Veterinarian—1—B. Webster Suydam

### CHAPTER VII

#### THEIR RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Third Reformed Church.
The St. John's Reformed Church.
The Catholic Church of St. John the Baptist.
The Emanuel Lutheran Church.

The Third Reformed Church (German) of the Reformed Church of America; a Dutch Reformed Church with German services. The Third Reformed Church in New Brunswick, N. J., was organized May 27, 1851, by a committee of the Classis of New Brunswick. The first meeting was held in the First Reformed Church of New Brunswick, the consistory of the First Reformed Church being present. The first consistory of the Third Reformed Church consisted of seven men, four Elders and three Deacons. The Elders—Adam Diefenbach, Andrew Dohm, Peter Rausch, and John Fischer. The Deacons—John Eitel, Henry Hahn, and John Lauterwasser. The Pastor's salary was \$250.00 a year.

The following five pastors served this church:

Rev. Francis M. Serenbets—1851-1854
Rev. Franz M. Schneeweiss—1855-1858
Rev. Julius Hones (Supply)—1858-1860
Dr. Karl Meyer —1862-1864
Rev. Theodore Cludius —1865-1866
Dr. Karl Meyer —1867-1901

After 1901 until 1912 when the congregation was dropped from the role of Classis, Mr. Henry Schneeweiss, a son of the second pastor, had charge of the church, and students from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary did the preaching. Dr. Karl Meyer had the longest and most conspicuous pastorate of this church, being pastor for thirty-five years.

Dr. Karl Meyer came from Germany to America in 1862

and was a missionary in Jersey City from 1864 to 1869, preaching in this church as stated supply, 1863 to 1864, and in 1867 he became the regular pastor. During this time he was also professor of modern languages in Rutgers University. The "Targum" of Dec. 12, 1901, and "The Manual of The Reformed Church of America" contain a complete account of his life and work.

In 1860, the membership roll of this congregation had one hundred and ten. This appears to be the largest membership the church had during its history. The church was located on Guilden Street, facing Guilding Street at Central Avenue junction. It is said that Guilden Street was named after Rev. John C. Guilden, the pastor of the Zion German Evangelical Church in New York by some of the Germans who came from there to New Brunswick.

In a history of Middlesex County published in 1882, this church is mentioned and the average attendance is given as 30 with a church seating 200. Mrs. Caroline Jennings has a picture of the building. Mr. Henry Schneeweiss says that plans for a new church had been drawn up but could never be carried out.

The records of the graveyard on Remsen Avenue near Sandford Street owned by this church, show that eighty-three lots had been sold.

Mr. C. F. Quad was treasurer for 34 years and it is said he never missed a Sunday. His uncle, Peter Quad, was secretary of the consistory for 12 successive years, 1865-77, also secretary of the Sunday-school. The minutes from the very beginning were written in German and English on opposite pages—German on the left and English on the right side.

The following records were gone over by the writer:

- 1. Consistory Minute Book-1851-60
- 2. A membership list in this book, 1860-1877
- 3. Record of Baptisms, Marriages, Deaths-1851-1859
- 4. Dr. Karl Meyer Records (Seminary Library) 1863-1900
- 5. Sunday-school Minute Book-1863-1876

- 6. Sunday-school Class Record Book-1875
- 7. Ladies Aid Minute Book—1858-59
- 8. Benevolent Society
- 9. (4) Treasurer Books up to 1851-1880
- 10. Many papers and receipts.

All of these are in the Second Reformed Church with the exception of Dr. Meyer's records, which are in the Seminary Library.

There were a total of

- 295 Baptisms recorded, of which 137 were performed by Dr. Mever.
- 113 Weddings, 38 by Dr. Meyer.
  - 55 Funerals (May be incomplete).

Many of these baptisms and weddings were in German families, Perth Amboy, Elizabeth, Newark, Jersey City, Spotswood, Staten Island.

In 1875 there were 8 classes in the Sunday-school with  $33\ \mathrm{pupils}.$ 

Many from other churches came to this Sunday-school.

Many of the active members in the other Reformed churches taught in this Sunday-school.

After careful research the following facts were obtained which are not found in the written records. This information was obtained from several persons who were in regular attendance at the Sunday-school.

The following served as superintendents of the Sunday-school:

James S. W. Demarest

Samuel C. Gowen for many years (about 1882, etc.)

Mr. Jennings

Mr. Oliver Schneeweiss

Dr. Hutton, Pastor of Second Reformed Church, spoke regularly on special occasions—relative to his travels, etc.

Students from the Seminary rendered great help—as teachers and conducting prayer meetings, etc.

Collins, Mason, Merrill, Menges, Faulkner.

Brooks, Brooks, Consius.

Organist: Christian Latcher—played the organ or melodeon Teachers in Sunday-school:

Dr. W. H. S. Demarest.

Miss Mary A. Demarest

Miss Emma W. Cook

Miss Margaret Bayard Baldwin

Miss Carolina Newells)
Miss Augusta Newells)
sisters

Miss E. Parker

Mrs. William C. Pittman

Miss Helen Pittman

Miss Anna Bishop

Mr. Asher Atkinson

Librarian: Mr. Nicholas Williamson

This congregation, while it could never boast of any outstanding numerical strength or glaring achievements, met a very urgent need in its day. Many outstanding citizens of New Brunswick speak with pride and appreciation of the little German Church on Guilden Street, as having attended its Sunday-school or having been baptized by its pastor.

The merger of this congregation with other congregations of its own denomination at the time the merger took place, is to its credit, and history should record it with appreciation. About the year 1900 there was a growing demand and necessity for the use of the English language in German speaking churches, as the first generation was now passing away. They and their children say of this congregation, "She hath wrought a good work upon me."

German Evangelical Reformed St. John's Congregation -The name has been legally changed to Livingston Avenue Reformed Church.

It was at the time when there were no German services in New Brunswick that this congregation was organized by the Germans themselves without the aid of the denominational board. To satisfy their desire for German preaching, a student of theology by the name of Augustus Hoehing from Elizabeth, preached the first sermon on the 16th Sunday after Trinity, September 15, 1861.

The naming of this new German church is interesting. Some thought it should be a Lutheran Church; others thought it should be a Reformed church. The first minutes read thus:

"That since New Brunswick was a Reformed Church center, a Lutheran church might be more or less isolated; the majority voted to call it a Reformed church." It later on became a member of the New York Classis of the Reformed Church in the United States, November 7, 1861. Rev. Augustus Hoehing became the first pastor.

On July 18, 1862, they bought the church formerly used by the Second Reformed Church, located at George and Albany Street, from Mr. Mettler.

Mrs. Adam Geipel was in the very first class that was confirmed, and is still a regular attendant at the church services. Rev. Hoehing resigned in 1865 to become a missionary to China. He was succeeded by Rev. John M. Steiner who served the church one week less than a year, from Dec. 25, 1865 to Dec. 17, 1866. He started a week-day school which was conducted in the basement of the church. The third pastor was Rev. T. Oscar Lohr, who served from December 1865 to October 1867. Two persons confirmed by him are: Miss Catherine Muendel and Mr. John Dotzler, who still attend the services in the church. He resigned to become a missionary in India. Then came the Rev. Carl Bank, D.D., as the fourth pastor, in February 1868. He spent thirty-six fruitful years with this congregation; serving until his death in 1904.

The church made great progress during his pastorate. He also organized the St. Paul's Reformed Church at Milltown, N. J. He was recognized as an accomplished scholar, being a frequent contributor to leading German periodicals.

He was also an eloquent preacher and yet excelled as a pastor. His self-sacrificing work is still spoken of with much devotion and appreciation. A large number of men prominent in the State, the Nation, and internationally known, were confirmed by him and received their early religious training from him. (See History of this church, Vol. I, pages 3 and 8-11.)

He was succeeded by Rev. M. H. Qual as fifth pastor, August 1904-1914.

The fiftieth anniversary of the congregation was observed during his pastorate and a very creditable souvenir program was prepared by him and is still cherished by the members.

The old parsonage on Remsen Avenue was sold and a new one on Townsend Street bought.

Another young man just out of the Seminary, Rev. Otto B. Moore, became the sixth pastor in 1914-1920. He displayed a great deal of courage in taking over this church at the time he did. Yet, his work grows in appreciation as the years multiply. It became evident that a new church building was necessary. On January 17, 1916, the congregation voted unanimously to sell the property and to purchase another property. The committee appointed for this purpose consisted of Rev. Moore, Anton Viehmann, Charles Kuhlthau, Peter Kalteissen, and William Silzer. The property was sold for \$40,000, and the Peter Fick property at Livingston Avenue and Suvdam Street was purchased. Thus, the church at George and Albany Street has had a very interesting history. The building had been originally built as an amusement hall for general community purposes, some years before 1840. About 1842, the Second Presbyterian Church moved into this building (this is verified by a tablet found by working men who remodeled the building for the use of the Strand Theatre). On August 18, 1843, the Second Reformed Church bought it from the Second Presbyterian church. The Second Reformed Church later on sold it to a Company. In 1861, the St. John's Reformed Church rented

it from the Company, and later in 1862 bought it from them. After using it fifty-five years, it again is an amusement hall. It must be close to one hundred years old.

After the church had been soid, and the congregation having no place to worship, Attorney Frederick Weigel, a member of the church, offered the use of his barn at the corner of Livingston Avenue and Townsend Street. Services were held there from February to June 1916. The tabernacle was built on Suydam Street, where the parsonage now stands. The chapel, or Sunday-school building, was dedicated April 22, 1917.

Rev. Moore resigned in 1920 to accept a call to Indianapolis, Indiana. Rev. William H. Bollman became the seventh pastor.

The parsonage on Townsend Street was sold, and the new one on Suydam Street built, in 1922. The beautiful Gothic structure was also finished and is known to many as the Little Cathedral. Rev. Bollman with his building committee, consisting of Charles Kuhlthau, Augustus Eckert, and Henry E. Lins, deserve a great deal of credit for completing the task, and the church was dedicated March 22, 1925.

Rev. Bollman left in May 1927 to accept a church in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

The eighth pastor, Rev. Carl H. Gramm, D.D., came in September 1927 after having been pastor of Zion's Reformed Church, Reading, Pennsylvania, for almost a quarter of a century. During this pastorate, which extended almost the length, up to the present 1936, of the depression years, the debt of about \$25,000 was reduced to \$5,000, and in addition many improvements were made. The reader is referred for a complete history of this church to the two volumes written by the pastor, Volume I appeared in 1931 when the 70th anniversary was celebrated, and Volume II in 1936 upon the occasion of the 75th Anniversary.

The Catholic Church of St. John the Baptist. This congregation was organized November 8, 1865.

Father Gregory J. Misdziol organized this church and is styled as the first pastor, founder, architect and builder of St. John's church, and was truly all that these words imply.

On April 10, 1869, Pope Pius IX celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his priesthood. On this occasion, St. John the Baptist Church, New Brunswick, received a beautiful token of the kind solicitude of this saintly pontiff in the form of a large heavy silver chalice of exquisite workmanship. This rare piece is a Spanish chalice of 12th century design.

Rev. Peter Paul Niederhauser became the second pastor of St. John's in January 1871-1873. Because of ill health, his pastorate was very short. His remains rest in St. Peter's cemetery, New Brunswick.

Rev. Henry Theodore Martense was the third pastor, from 1873-1889. He established St. John's School in 1878.

The fourth pastorate, that of Rev. Henry Bruns, was a very short one from 1889-1890.

The fifth pastor was Rev. B. Fresenborg, 1890.

The sixth pastor, Rev. Joseph Kauper, served this congregation for eighteen years—1896 to January 1914. It was during his pastorate that many societies were organized and marked improvements to the church property, as well as school expansion, were made.

Rev. Linusa Schwarze served the congregation from 1914 to 1930. It was during his pastorate that the church debt was reduced and paid in full. His brother, Rev. Leo Stanislaus Schwarze, became his assistant in 1916 and wrote a very creditable and complete, beautifully illustrated, history of the parish for the sixtieth anniversary, November 8, 1925. The reader is referred to this most excellent effort for more detailed information.

Rev. Francis J. Yunger became pastor April 1930.

Four have entered the priesthood from this parish, namely—the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Peter J. Petri, Rev. Fran-

cis J. Yunger, Rev. Edmond P. Gonch, and Rev. Linus Berger. And six from this parish entered religious orders— Sister Flavia, Sister Many Bonfilia, Sister Agnes Edmund, Sister Mary Renata, Sister Mary Domitilia, and Sister Mary Paschal.

The church is located on Neilson Street. They are still worshiping in the original building, it having been remodeled and beautified several times during its history. Many prominent business men and merchants and men in public life worship at the altar in this church and have given a very fine contribution to the life of New Brunswick.

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German Evangelical — Lutheran Emanuel Church.

On the 3rd of June, 1878, a number of men met in the home of Mr. Peter Stadlinger in Deans, N. J., to discuss the question of organizing a Lutheran church in New Brunswick. Those present were: Peter Stadlinger, Herman Banker, Frank Banker, Wm. Banker, Henry Banker, and John Feller. On July 7, 1878, the Rev. W. Berkemeier, Emigrant Missionary in New York City, was asked to assist in this organization, which was effected with 42 charter members on July 14, 1878.

Rev. Johann Adam Schmidkonz preached from the 6th to the 10th Sunday after Trinity.

On the 14th Sunday after Trinity, 1878, the first pastor was elected, namely Rev. J. A. DeWald. He started his work October 20, 1878, just six years after he had entered the ministry.

The first consistory consisted of Rev. J. A. DeWald, president; J. Eberhardt, secretary; W. Banker, treasurer.

Elders: A. Gselliger, C. Frank, L. Gartenlohner.

Deacons: J. Paulus, N. Ingebrandt.

Trustees: J. Dotzler, J. Hoffman, B. Feller.

Dr. DeWald in a short history which he wrote for the 25th Anniversary, says, "When we arrived there were 51 names on the roll, but the congregation has no earthly pos-

sessions, all they had was a good will. Pulpit Bibles, Church Hymnals, Choir books, Communion and Baptismal service had to be purchased. No musical instrument was on hand, so Mr. Louise Bush presented them with a Melodeon.

Because the congregation was not yet incorporated, Mr. W. Banker purchased the lot at the corner of New and Kirkpatrick Streets on March 17, 1879. The congregation bought it from him later on for \$2,000.

The new church was to cost an additional \$8,000. The cornerstone was laid July 4, 1879, not quite one year after the congregation was organized. The church was dedicated Dec. 14, 1879, with a debt of \$7,000. Two members, W. Banker and H. Banker, took Mortgages on their own homes to help take care of this debt, and a mortgage was taken on the church property for the remainder.

This debt was steadily reduced and many things were added to the church—bell, organ, and additional property.

In 1888 the church was damaged by a storm.

The pastor's wife, Mrs. J. A. DeWald, was the organist and directed the music from the very beginning and continued in this service up until the time of her husband's death, over 49 years. This is very likely an unparalleled record. Occasionally her daughters assisted and substituted for her.

The first Sunday-school superintendent was W. Lins.

Mr. Bussmann has a record of 20 successive years as a worker in the Sunday-school.

Much was made of music, and there were two choirs, a mixed choir and a men's choir.

In 1909 the Hungarian Lutheran Congregation held their services in Emanuel Church.

In 1917 the German evening services were discontinued and English services were held instead. Now there is a German and an English service, two separate services conducted in the morning.

In 1925 Dr. DeWald because of poor health, resigned but his resignation was not accepted and he continued as pastor until his death, April 1927. Has he lived six months longer he would have been pastor fifty years and in the ministry fifty-six years. While pastor of the church, he was an instructor of languages at Rutgers at various times.

In September 1927, the Rev. Dr. Adolph H. Holthusen became the second pastor. Dr. Holthusen had preached in Emanuel during the summer of 1926 when a vacation had been granted to Dr. DeWald.

This partorate has brought new life to the congregation. A parsonage on Seaman Street has been purchased and an addition built to the church, which was dedicated in February 1929 for better educational facilities.

During the summer of 1937 the church was redecorated, the chancel re-arranged with new furniture and a complete set of altar coverings, and an effective lighting system installed.

#### CHAPTER VIII

#### THE SEVEN SINGING AND FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

- The Eintracht Singing Society was organized about 1866. Professor Franz Maximilian Schneeweiss was the conductor. About fifty men comprised its membership when it was at its height. They owned their own building on Richmond Street, known as the "Singer or Eintracht Hall." This organization was in existence until about 1880, when it was merged with the Aurora Singing Society.
- 2. The Turn Verein.

This Society was organized March 17, 1867, in a hall at Bells Hotel at the corner of Albany and Water Streets. After this they met in a little building in Albert Yard on Burnet Street until about 1872. The next building occupied was the rear room of a large house owned by Mr. Adolph Starke at Albany and Peace Streets until 1874. From here they moved to a Hall in connnection with Eppinger's Hotel in the John Deinzer building on Burnet Street, meeting in one of the front store rooms. They then found it necessary to seek larger quarters and took possession of the Singer or Eintracht Hall on Richmond Street. This society suspended its activities in 1880.

Four years later, in 1884, they built their own hall on Dennis Street. This, however, proved too expensive and it could not be maintained. When they erected this hall they had about one hundred members, the largest number ever on the roll, and from then on their membership declined.

Again they occupied a room at 284 Burnet Street, at the foot of Hiram Street, in Zimmerman's Hall. In 1906 they purchased the property at 431 George Street

and still occupy this place to the present time. The Turn Master for many years was Mr. Wm. Schmidt, assisted by Mr. Wm. Mack. Mr. John Dorn was treasurer for 10 years, and Mr. Theodore Hartman, recording and financial secretary for ten years. This Turn Verein was a member of the State organization of Turn Vereins, and Mr. Geo. Herman, the State Teacher located at Newark, had oversight and gave instructions here.

3. The Aurora Singing Society.

The Society was organized July 31, 1873. Mr. Fritz Wittig was one of the six men who organized this society, which in time replaced the Eintracht Singing Society. He was the writer's informant for the facts of this brief sketch, as was also his daughter, Miss Emma F. Wittig.

It was organized in Heck's Boarding House on Hiram Street. Mr. Charles Volkert supplied the following data from his records:

Mr. Otto Geitner was the director

Mr. Fritz Wittig was the 1st tenor

Mr. Charles Tamm was the 2nd tenor

Mr. Frederick Schussler was the 1st bass

Mr. Emil Geitner was the 2nd bass

Other active members were Mr. Charles Gutesdorf, Mr. Paul Reis, Mr. Fred Museman, Mr. Christ Broom, Mr. Fred Gebhardt, Mr. Albert Wahler, and Mr. Paul Rose. Mr. Otto Geitner, the director, was also an accomplished violinist. He had a music store on Albany Street.

Some of their accomplishments:

1876. Made their first public appearance singing at the Centennial Festival in New Brunswick, celebrating the American Independence with German songs.

- 1878. Gave several concerts for the benefit of the yellow fever epidemic in the south, realizing \$275.
- 1879. A Ladies Auxiliary—Frauen Verein was added to the organization.
- 1881. A Festival in Mr. James Neilson's Grove, when an American Flag given by the newly organized Ladies Auxiliary was dedicated.
- 1883. A concert commemorating the 10th anniversary of their existence was given for the benefit of the Wells Memorial (now Middlesex) Hospital.
- 1889. Concert for benefit of the Galveston Flood fund.
- 1890. Bought their hall on Albany Street near Burnet Street.
- 1892. Purchased "Forest Park" in Lindenau, consisting of three acres of woodland near Fox Lane.
- 1898. Their 25th anniversary was celebrated, at which time the address was delivered by Mr. Fritz Wittig and a copy of this address is still in the possession of the family. Mr. Wittig sang with this society until his 87th year.
- 1903. Festival Concert in observance of the 30th anniversary held in Forest Park.
- 1909. One of the outstanding concerts was the Schiller Festival at Rutgers University held in the Balentine Gymnasium.
- 1916-18. During the World War they raised more than \$3,000 for relief through concerts.
- 1923. Another Festival Concert celebrating their 50th anniversary, also with a banquet, at the Hotel Klein.
- 1930. Another benefit concert netted \$100.00 for St. Peter's Hospital.

Their membership ranged from 50 to 150 from time to time. The directors have been Mr. Otto Geitner, Mr. M. Schneeweiss, Mr. F. W. Stein, Mr. Lorenz, Mr. Speck, Mr. Karl Kap, Mr. Beider, Mr. Vollmer, and at present Mr. E. Steinbach.

4. Helvelia Lodge, No. 71.

Independent Order of the Odd Fellows. This German Lodge was organized in 1878, and is still in existence. They had an average of 100 members for many years, but in the latter years their membership is much larger. The 50th anniversary was celebrated in 1928. Mr. John Schur was the Secretary for the longest term of that office.

- 5. Kranken Unterstuetzungs Verein was organized in 1882. They met in the Aurora Hall. This society disbanded in 1921, having only 25 members at the time.
- 6. The Huelfs Verein was organized in 1887 with 35 charter members, the largest number ever on roll at one time was 175. Mr. Michael Frisch was the secretary for 23 years. They met in the Turner Hall. They disbanded in 1926, having only 35 members at the time.
- 7. The Liederkranz Singing Society and also a Sick Benefit Society was organized about 1909 and remained until 1926, when the name was changed to Kranken Verein. They own their own building at the Corner of George's Road and Talmadge Street. In 1932 they had a membership of 225 men and 200 women.

### CHAPTER IX

#### THE RUBBER INDUSTRY

I include a chapter on the rubber industry because the Germans were among the active workers in these industries. Mr. Christopher Meyer being in one way or another connected with most of them, both as owner and officer, and 152 German immigrants worked in these shops or factories at one time or another.

The following is a correct chronological order of these interests:

- Mr. Horace H. Day started the first factory in 1839 on Dennis Street to make rubber cloth for carriage tops. He brought Mr. Christopher Meyer here from Newark, N. J., to set up the machinery, and from that time on Mr. Meyer had interests in the various rubber shops in New Brunswick, N. J. (See History of Union and Middlesex Counties, pages 662 and 749. Also Chronicles of New Brunswick by Mr. John Wall, page 315.)
  - Mr. Day was granted patents in 1842, but lost out in a law suit with The Goodyear Rubber Co. (See Appleton Encyclopedia Biography, Vol. II, page 111.)
- In 1840 Mr. Christopher Meyer started a factory at Landing Bridge, which was in operation only a short time. (See History of Union and Middlesex Counties, page 663).
- 3. In 1844 Mr. Meyer opened a rubber shop in Milltown, at first in a grist mill, to manufacture rubber boots and shoes. (See History of Union and Middlesex Counties, pages 662 and 749).
- In 1849 the New Brunswick Rubber Co. on Washington Street, near Peace Street, was organized to make rubber boots and shoes. It had operated near or above the

- Landing Bridge for a short time previous to this. A Mr. Langden was president. The name was changed to Indian Rubber Co. and again changed to The Hard Rubber Co. (See History of Union and Middlesex Counties, page 665).
- 5. In 1855 the Novelty Rubber Co. on Upper Neilson Street above the railroad bridge also known as the Button Shop. Here hard rubber articles were made, such as buttons, pipe stems, cigar holders, canes, combs, snuff boxes, etc. Mr. C. Meyer was president, and another German, Mr. Constantine Hingher, was superintendent, who later on in 1885 had his own factory listed as No. 9 in this chapter. (See History of Union and Middlesex Counties, page 664).
- 6. In 1868, The Hyatt Rubber Co. was organized, located at Neilson Street at foot of Bayard Street; also Richmond Street and Dennis Street. Mr. L. L. Hyatt was president; Mr. Christopher Meyer was treasurer; Mr. James Deshler came to them in 1874. The factory burned down in 1875. They manufactured rubber boots and shoes.
- This factory was continued as the New Jersey Rubber Shoe Co. on Little Burnet and Albany Street along the canal, with Mr. C. Meyer as president and Mr. J. B. Ford as treasurer. Mr. James Deshler remained with them. This was in 1876.
- 8. The factory just mentioned was later sold to the United States Rubber Co. at the same location and remained in business until 1921, when operations ceased. Mr. Frank Roth was one of the last workers employed there. It was the last of the rubber industries in New Brunswick.
- 9. In 1885, Mr. Constantine Hingher built a factory at the corner of Guilden and Cortland Streets in the sixth ward. The date is plainly marked by a stone in the wall of the building. This was known as the button

works. Later on it was enlarged to Delafield Street and known as the Janeway Button Shop.

It was in these industries that most of the German emigrants earned their livelihood, and the Germans who owned most of them gave employment to thousands during the 82 years of their activity in New Brunswick.

Mr. James Deshler, the best informed person on these industries, gave me most of this information, and I appreciate it with gratitude. Mr. Charles Deshler was also of great help in arranging the material and references for this chapter.