

Family history of Bittell & Yager families.

Balthasar Bittell was born in 1811 in Statt-Maynce on Rhine, Alasace Lorraine, Germany. At the age of 31 years he migrated to this country, its being in the year of 1842. He crossed the ocean in a sailboat, taking him 42 days to cross. On the same boat was Miss Katharine Susana Hirsch. Balthasar Bittell & Katharine Hirsch were engaged to be married at this time. Arriving here he settled in Buffalo New York and in 1869 he migrated to Michigan settling near Richfield Center. He had 2 Brothers and 2 sisters. It's not known whether they migrated to America. He was married twice. In 1843 he was married to Katharine Susana Hirsch. Six children were born to this union while they resided in Township of Amherst, Erie Co., New York. They were - Mary, Louise, Jacob, Phillip, John. Two children died in infancy & 2 died later of scarlet fever, while they lived in New York state. Phillip & John came to Michigan with their father in 1869. His wife Katharine died in