

COPY

STATE OF NEW YORK,)
) SS.:
County of Cattaraugus.)

GEORGE DIETTER, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he resides in the Village of Ellicottville, County and State aforesaid, and has so resided since the year 1880; that he is a carpenter and builder by trade; that he is a Justice of the Peace of the Town of Ellicottville, County and State aforesaid, and that he has been the incumbent of such office for many years past;

That deponent was born in Reutlingen, Wurtemberg, Germany, on December 30, 1861, and is now upwards of seventy-eight (78) years of age; that he is conversant with the German language, and is able to speak, read and write the same readily;

That, on December 29, 1939, deponent was shown a certain Bible, printed in German, which belonged, during her life-time, to one Louise D. Bollow, late of the Village of Ellicottville aforesaid, who died on or about August 4, 1939, and which Bible remains in the custody and possession of one Linda K. French, a daughter of said Louise D. Bollow, of Ellicottville, N.Y., as deponent is informed by one Louise D. Kruse, another daughter of said Louise D. Bollow, and verily believes.

Deponent further says, that the title page of said Bible states that the same was published by the American Bible Association of New York in the year 1893.

Deponent further says, that the following entries of birth-records in German handwriting, are contained on one page in said Bible, to wit:

"Louise was born November 1, 1873"
"Linda was born December 8, 1876"
"Emma was born March 22, 1878"
"Amelia was born June 3, 1880"
"Frederick was born April 14, 1884"
"Marvin was born January 9, 1891"
"I was born January 27, 1852"

That deponent is informed by said Louise D. Kruse, and verily believes, that the entries aforesaid are the genuine handwriting of said Louise D. Bollow; that said records relate to the children of said Louise D. Bollow and to herself; that the "Louise" so mentioned is said Louise D. Kruse; that the "Linda" so mentioned is said Linda K. French; that the "Emma" so mentioned is Emma M. Pettit, of Ellicottville, N.Y.; that the "Amelia" so mentioned is Amelia M. Stoll, of Little Valley, N.Y.; that the "Frederick" so mentioned is Fred C. Bollow, of Little Valley, N.Y.; and that the "Marvin" so mentioned is Marvin L. Bollow, of Salamanca, N.Y.; and that the statement, "I was born January 27, 1852", relates to said Louise D. Bollow herself.

Deponent further says that the entries or records hereinabove mentioned appear to be more than twenty-five years old, and the same were probably made by said Louise D. Bollow about or shortly after the time she acquired said Bible, and were probably transferred by her from records in an older Bible. That deponent has been acquainted with said Louise D. Bollow and her family for more than forty (40) years last past.

/s/ George Dietter

Subscribed and sworn to before
me, this 19th day of January, 1940.

/s/ John W. Ellis

Notary Public - Cattaraugus County
My commission expires March 30, 1940

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