

*Bucher, John Baptist: a weaver, b. 1803, d. July 1, 1881, m.*

Mary Ann Sutter, b. 1801, d. Dec. 21, 1851. They came to New York City on June 24, 1851 from Over Scheisingen, Argan, Switzerland with their three children. They lived in Buffalo, Transit, and Amherst until 1859, when they followed their son, William, to the Four-Mile area of Allegany. Their children were: 1. William F., b. July 19, 1830 in Switzerland, d. Apr. 22, 1908, m. Mary Krein of Buffalo. Wm. came to Allegany in 1858, worked as a laborer until he purchased 40 acres of land. In 1862 served the 154 Reg. in the Civil War, supplying soldiers with tobacco, notions, etc.. He owned Rock City Park. (Presently owned by 5 of his grandchildren.); 2. Helen Bucher known as Sr. Elizabeth, O.S.F., d. Sept. 23, 1903; 3. Lena (Fredolina), b. Mar. 6, 1842, d. Apr. 1896, m. Joseph Volkl b. 1832, d. Feb. 18, 1900.

CARLS, John Henry: (son of Henry b. Welda, Germany 1806, d. May 7, 1882 and Caroline Caester Carls b. Welda, 1800, d. 1892, b. Oct. 5, 1835, d. Feb. 16, 1923,) came to Lancaster, Erie Co. in 1844 with his parents. He came to Allegany in 1855. John Henry had a farm, steam shingle mill and cider mill. On Nov. 20, 1860 he married Magdalena Hirt (dau. of Andrew and Mary Smithers Hirt) d. Oct. 15, 1935. Their children were: 1. Ludwick (Louis), b. Aug. 29, 1861, d. Mar. 26, 1872; 2. John Joseph Frederick b. Mar. 4, 1863, d. Feb. 1, 1956, m. Jan. 7, 1886 Mary Teresa Dinter; 3. Magdalena, b. Sept. 9, 1864, d. Mar. 13, 1946, m. Anthony Gerringer; 4. Andrew, b. Oct. 20, 1865, d. Apr. 1900 m. Nana ; 5. George b. June 2, 1867, d. May 30, 1870; Rosa, b. Sept. 6, 1869, d. Mar. 18, 1966 m. William Scheier; 7. Barbara b. July 7, 1874, d. Oct. 12, 1881; 8. Joseph F., b. Apr. 2, 1877, d. May 5, 1942, m. Elizabeth Robinson; 9. Francis b. Aug. 7, 1879, d. Mar. 10, 1970, m. Emma Forness; 10. Edward L., b. Apr. 19, 1882, d. Sept. 11, 1969; 11. Marcus J., b. June 18, 1884, d. Sept. 30, 1976, m. Jennifer ; 12. Henry F. b. Apr. 7, 1893, d. June 17, 1966, m. Mary Lippert.

CHAPIN, The Chapin family has been well known in Allegany for many years. In 1839 Jabez Chapin, Sr., and his two sons, Jabez Jr. and William, settled in Burton, N.Y., coming here from Massachusetts. The village of Burton was located near the intersection of the Buffalo Rd. and the Five Mile Road. Two daughters of Jabez Chapin Sr., Mary and Faritta, soon joined him here.

In their home a stove or lamp was never used. They cooked and warmed their home with a fireplace. They made their own candles which were used for lighting the home.

Mary and Faritta Chapin for many years wove carpets. Mary was an expert in needlework, especially in making fine embroidered lace.

The first village school house was built of slabs in 1830. Miss Faritta Chapin was one of the early teachers.

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1829. John Chapin was a class leader.

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