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The road going the other way from Atwaters, now called Smith Hollow, only had one farm. The house was huge. Leon Wiley lived there alone. I think he was an uncle of Jane Parker Wiley's husband, Ralph. I don't remember anyone else ever living there. Most of the time the people who lived on Union Valley were related. They were mostly Duttons or Isamans. I hope this helps. It's all I remember.

There was also a blacksmith shop on the corner of Union Valley and Smith Hollow (May 1912 or 1915). Either Louis or Leon Wiley ran it.

The last house on Union Valley Road was the home of Luella and Charles Adams. Their children were George, Charles, Donald, and Doris Adams. Now, Doris is married to Clifford Bennett and they live on Flanagan Road in Hinsdale.

## The Isaman Family

by Diana Dutton

Information received from Bob Isaman from California, states that the history of the family has been "passed down from one generation to the other revealing that the beginning of the Isaman family tree in the USA was the result of two brothers, Michael and George, coming to North America from Bavaria, Germany. They settled in Canada upon arrival and later moved to Little England, New York, a small hamlet near Swain and Olean, New York. George Isaman married Catherine Gross, also from Bavaria, and to this union twelve boys and one girl were born. Two boys died in infancy" and no one knew their names. "The names of the ten boys that lived and the girl are: George, Jr., William, Mary, Daniel, Solomon, John, Stephen, James, David, Frederic, and Andrew. George Sr. was a very religious man which it seems caused a break off from his brother Michael. George left his family in NY and went to Ohio to homestead a farm. He changed his name from Eisenmann to Isaman."

"When George Isaman went to Ohio to homestead he set up a shack on the land and purchased a team of mules. Due to the severe cold and the breezy shack he contacted pneumonia and died, soon

after homesteading the land. Two of the older brothers went to Ohio for the burial.”

Catherine Gross Isaman, wife of George Isaman remarried and shortly after the marriage the household broke up due to the children not getting along with their step-father. “George Jr., the oldest had married and left home. Along with William and David, George Jr., all had adjoining farms near Olean, New York on Union Valley Road.

George Jr., was drafted during the Civil War after he was married.” He was in the New York 154th Infantry.

George Jr. (1836-1892) married a Hinsdale native, Sarah Jane Young (Jung) (1842-1917). She was the daughter of John and Caroline Swarts Young who married in 1838 in Hinsdale and came to Hinsdale from Hamilton Township, Pennsylvania (in the Poconos).

Their children were Mary Jane (1859-1890); George H. Isaman III (1861-1885); Catherine (1864-?); Caroline (1865-1936); John (1868-1924); Viola (1873-?); Lyman (1878-1954); and Devere (1884-1952). Mary Jane married Charles Carpenter and they had one son, George. George III never married and was killed by lightning. Caroline married Milo Weaver (1859-1899) and their children were Gertrude who married Jay Witter (see the section on the Witters for their children), Lloyd who married Sarah Rupprecht, and Kenneth who married Loretta Feger.

John married Josephine Kolb (1875-1959) and their children were Beatrice; Grace Mae; Howard; Dorothy who married Earl Dutton, Jr. (see the Dutton family information for their children); Raymond who married Altha Smith; Mildred married Glen Blakeman; and John married Alice Randall. Raymond and Altha’s children are Raymond Jr.; Marilyn who married Gerald Johnson and their son is Mark; and Kathleen married Carl Snyder. They have two sons, Bryan Scott and Christopher. All live on Union Valley Road and Marilyn is deceased. According to John’s obituary “John Isaman, aged 53 years, died in Higgins Memorial Hospital; the cause of the death being Typhoid Fever. Two daughters and a son are also in the Higgins Hospital ill with the fever. He was survived by three sons, Howard, Raymond, and John; and three daughters, Dorothy (Mrs. Earl) Dutton; Mildred and Grace; also two brothers, Lyman of Union Valley and DeVere of Olean, and one sister Mrs. Carrie Weaver. Mr. Isaman was born in Hinsdale

and lived here most of his life. He was a member of the First Methodist Church and the I.O.O.F. lodge of Olean.”

Viola married Stephen Carpenter and their children were Floyd, Nelson, and Lee.

Lyman Isaman married Etta Shipman and were life long residents of Union Valley. They were parents of Clarence who married Sophia Lipman and they had two children; Arlene who married Willard Dutton (see the Dutton biography for their children); Frances who married Lawrence Chappell and their daughter, Rita who married Edward Bolger. Their two children are Nancy and Deborah. Alice married another Union Valley resident — Vincent Dutton (see the Dutton biography for their children); Estella married Harold Dayton and they were the parents of two children; William married Bina Brown and they had nine children; Clair married Ethlyn Tennies (They had four children.) and he later married Susan Demming; and Emogene married Howard Wilkins and had three children.

Devere married Mary Button and they had no children.

William Isaman (who died in 1914) married Lavarne and their children were Maud, Emmet, Charles, and Florence.

David (1853-1909) married Elizabeth. Their children were Henry who was unmarried; Herbert who married Anna and their children were Marjorie and June; Walter who died at a young age; Edwin married and had children: Lucille, Reva, Cecil who married Violet Smith, Lester married Muriel Kelts and their children are Jack, Betty Lou, Lorence, Nora, and James; Frederic Sr. married Frances Bennett and their children are Harold, Irwin, Donald, and Frederic.

According to the Tuesday, November 30, 1909 edition of the *Evening News* of Olean, New York, “The sudden death of Union Valley— David Isaman, aged 56 years, died about 11 o’clock last night at his home in Union Valley. Mr. Isaman went to bed as usual last evening, after doing his day’s work on the farm and about half an hour later his wife heard a choking noise. She found her husband unconscious and was unable to rouse him. He did not regain consciousness and his death followed shortly after-ward. Besides his wife he is survived by four sons, Herbert who lives at home, Frederick, who is attending Mechanics’ Institute in Rochester and Edwin and Henry, who are living in Stettler, Alberta, Canada. Mr. Isaman was a man highly re-

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