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DOCKEMEYER, BARNEY

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Dockemeyer, Barney was born in Germany in 1825. When about twenty-two years old Barney came to the United States. After his arrival in this country he went to Ohio, and there he was employed until about 1860, when he came to St. Augusta township Stearns county Minnesota. In that place he secured a homestead near the present Hess Brickyards. In 1862 during the Sioux outbreak Barney was forced to leave his farm and seek protection at St. Cloud. Here a fort had been erected at the site of the present Central Junior High School. The Indians did not extend their ravages as far north as St. Cloud, and the settlers were greatly relieved when they heard that the militia had succeeded in putting a end to the uprising and they could return to their homes.

About 1863 Barney was married to Mrs. Witschen, a widow. There was one child born to this union, Threasa. Mrs. Witschen had three children by her previous marriage. They were Christine, Elizabeth and William Witschen. Threasa Dockemeyer married Peter Schmitt, she is dead. Christine Witschen, was married to Nick Goedart, she is also dead. Elizabeth Witschen, is the wife of Henry Gohman of St. Augusta. William Witschen is dead.

Mrs. (Witschen) Dockemeyer died about 1866, she is buried in the St. Augusta Cemetery. Barney Dockemeyer died in 1908, at the Saint Joseph's Home in St. Cloud. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery.

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Bernard Dockinger ( Bernard Dockemeyer	Age 35
Sex	Male
Occupation	Farmer
Born	Hanover

FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FOR THE BARNEY DOCKEMEYER BIOGRAPHY

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK O PAGE 6900

Frank Schmidt and Elizabeth Witchen

Married at St. Augusta November 26, 1895

By: Rev. J. B. Bauer

Witnesses: Heinerich Witchen and Elizabeth Koenig

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK K. PAGE 248

John N. Goedert and Christine Witchen

Married at St. Cloud January 15, 1889

By: Rev. Gregory Steil O. S. B.

Witnesses: John Pollansch and Elis Derks

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Peter Schmitt and Thressa Dockmeyer

Married at St. Cloud November 16, 1881

By: Nathan F. Barney, Justice of the Peace

Witnesses: Adelbiel Bryant and Henry Bickn