

**"Oft Told Tales" by Nora Del Smith Gumble as reprinted in the Decatur Daily Democrat, Adams Co, IN; 22 March 1969**

"In 1839, Grandfather Acker and his wife Catherine Keyser (and their five oldest children) camped on a tract of land joining the Reservation... There he built his first house...

I remember one picture of Grandfather Acker... With him was his very young second wife and his very young second family. I think this grownup first family was not too happy about the second marriage. (Records indicate that he was 50 and his second wife, Lovina Fredline, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Fredline, was only 17 when they married. She was 12 years younger than his oldest daughter, the age of his fifth child.) Mother was a little girl and always loved her stepmother like a sister. She was a wonderful cook.

This first Samuel Acker was born 21 Oct 1804 in Seneca Co, N. Y., and was married about 1825 to Miss Catherine Kiser (Keyser) who was born in May 1806, near Geneva, Wayne Co, N. Y.; her mother's name was Elizabeth Adams."

Samuel Acker had seven children by his first wife.

Tempy Ann Acker, born 15 June 1826 in New York, married David Shaffer...

Elizabeth Acker, born 4 Sep 1828 in New York, married Amos Gulick...

Laury Acker, born 1831 in New York, married Samuel Teeple...

Norman Acker, born 1832, near Rochester, N. Y., married Loretta Carter...

Irwin Acker, born in Ohio 1838, married Jane Smith, daughter of Zachariah Smith...

Levi Acker, born in 1843 in St. Marys Township, Adams Co, IN, died while serving in the Civil War in March, 1865 at Easport, Miss., and buried at Shiloh.

Adaline Acker, born 25 Feb 1848, married David Brittson... then Joseph W. Smith, widow of her niece, Catherine Gulick...

Children with second wife, Lovina Fredline:

Samuel Acker, Jr., born in June 1860, m. Alice R. Roop

Ettie Acker, born in 1870, m. Samuel A. Roop

Ora Acker, born in 1875 (22 April) m. Albert Hertel"