

MICHAEL LUTTMANN, farmer, resides on section 20, Wabash Township, where he owns 120 acres of good land. He came to this county in 1854 with his wife and two children, and his mother, his father having died in Alsace, Germany, in 1842, at the age of fifty-six years. Michael was born in Germany, August 15, 1823, and came to America in 1850. His parents were Michael and Barbara Myers [Luttmann]. The mother died at the house of her son, November 15, 1855, aged about fifty-eight years. She is buried in the Lutheran cemetery. When the family first landed in America they remained in New York about two months, then went to Stark County, Ohio, where Michael went to work on the Pittsburg & Cleveland Railroad for six months. He then removed to near Steubenville and hired out to work on a farm for one year, living in an old log house. In 1854 he came to this county as before stated. He first bought twenty acres of land, where his house is now standing. He lived with a neighbor a few days, until he built his own shanty, which was one-story in height, puncheon floor, clapboard roof, etc., and lived in that cabin ten years. He then built a hewed-log house that now stands back of his residence, which he built in the summer of 1886, at a cost of \$1,200. He also has a good barn.

Mr. Luttmann was married October 21, 1850, to Miss Mary Brechbiel, born in Alsace, Germany, August 15, 1827. She came to America with some neighbors in 1850. Her parents both died in Alsace, the father in 1867, at the age of seventy-three years, and the mother at the age of seventy-seven years.

Mr. and Mrs. Luttmann have seven children – Mary, born July 24, 1851; Barbara, born January 28, 1853; Michael, born September 24, 1854; Jacob, born May 6, 1856; John, born November 1, 1860; Margaret, born June 23, 1863; and George, born September 7, 1866. They are members of the Lutheran church.

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