BLOC Alphonse
(1851 -) [1]
Luxembourg-city

Biography

Charles Alphonse BLOC was the son of Israël BLOC [2] and Jeannette MAYER. Israël BLOC was born 1815 in Maizières (Lorraine) and around 1833 he came to Luxembourg where he learned the trade of glove- making with the firm De Marie & Barreau. [3]

He married Jeannette MAYER in 1845 in Saint Avold, and the couple settled in Luxembourg where they had 3 children.

Alphonse BLOC was born in 1851 in Luxembourg-city (339 rue de la Boucherie).

Jeannette's brother, Gabriel MAYER (1818 - 1905), [4] also left Saint Avold for Luxembourg and created a glove-manufacturing company in Luxembourg-city, sometime before 1850. Gabriel MAYER became a successful entrepreneur. [5] Israël BLOC joined him to manage his glove factory.

In1855 the BLOCs and the MAYERs lived in the same house in Luxembourg-city (10 rue St Philippe). By 1861 the BLOCs had moved to 166, avenue de l'Arsenal.

Around 1870 Alphonse and his older brother Arthur joined the MAYER glove factory as *commis* and *contremaître.* On 1 July 1889 they took over the factory as "BLOC frères".

Alphonse BLOC was married to Ida EINHORN (born 1862 in Hamburg). The couple lived in Luxembourg-city (11 Neuthor-Avenue).

It is not known when and where Alphonse BLOC died. In 1923 he was still alive and resided in Brussels.

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1 *FamilySearch database* *(G7K4-LZK)*

2 *FamilySearch database* *(G7KH-97X)*

3 *L'indépendance luxembourgeoise, 7 May 1884, page 2*

4 *FamilySearch database* *(G3KS-MXT)*

5 *Gabriel MAYER also was an inventor: he obtained a patent in 1869 for a Système de coupe de gants de peau "Palmyre".*