10th Generation: 2 XX Great Grandparents John Shadinger Collette & Ida Ellen Day

In 2-2-1850 or 1851 - John was born in Indiana to Daniel Collette & Sarah Shadinger, In 10-12-1872 or 1873 he married Ida Ellen Day in Castle Rock, MN. She died 4-16-1921 in Pine City of liver cancer. Ida was born 5-31-1854 in Ohio. John died 9-19-1928 in Pine City, MN. They had 7 children: Guy, Etta (Henrietta), Oha, Sadie, Allen, Roland, & Clarissa. John was a farmer and Ida was a teacher.

In 1900 census of Eureka, MN. The family still lived here. They were farmers here, they left for while to Lambertson & then came back to Eureka, MN. in the 1890's. Their last move was to Pine City, MN. They came to Pine City, MN. in 1902, & bought a farm in Chenguiatana twsp. Pine Co.

In the corner of his farm he gave 5 acres for use of association & church, this is where the cemetery is. He served on the school board & town board.

In Pine Co. the first Public School was build in Chenguiatana in 1868. In 1894 it was reorganized & moved about 3 miles to Hustletown area on land donated by Henry Kruse. Ida taught school here.

John passed away at the home of his daughter - Mr. William Frood Sylvester Bell (Clarissa, in Chenguiatana where he made his home. Ida had already passed away from liver cancer. John's death was due to heart trouble. He was a resident of Hustletown for 26 years, or until his death 9-19-1928 [written by Jim Cordes 1989].

Hustletown is a community 6 1/2 miles east of Pine City. It has a church, cemetery, & a school Dist. #1, whose original building was moved in from Chenguiatana Village.

Dr. E.E. Clemans, the presiding elder in the Hustletown Church, served as a chaplain in World War I & later he had the distinction of serving as the National Chaplain of the American Legion. The Church was built in section 19 in 1911.

The Union Cemetery Association was formed in 1905. The Hustletown Cemetery is a beautiful site today, shaded by many large Norway pines. The Collette family donated 5 acres for the site & kept 6 lots. May 19th is always the cemetery clean up day.

[Early days in Chenguiatana written by P.L. Hamlin]. The school teachers I remember from those early years, besides my sister Lois were Lena Truebel, Essie Bishop & Mrs. John S. Collette (Ida Day).

One event I remember well was the formation of the Union Century Association. It was formed in March of 1905, the date being the 17th when articles of incorporation were formally adopted in the meadow lawn schoolhouse. The list of the incorporates is as follows: W.L. Cummings, N.J. Eldridge, J.O. Clyne, Hiram Carrier, W.H. Hamlin, E.A. Scofield, Mrs. Peter Berkey, John F. Hollor, Alven Smith, Elmer Carrier, Delbert Carrier, Peter Barkley, D.L. Whitehours, W.A. Guyman, C.B. Givson, W.T. Sandberg, John S. Collette. A 5 acre of land was donated by Mr. Collette as it had some splendid pines growing on it, & a place of some natural beauty. My father plotted it out into generous size lots & many of the old pioneers lie buried there.





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