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This is part of a letter I found, that was written in Germany by our uncle Karl Wolter, as follows:

Dear Brother Daniel:

You want to know my age. I shall copy an old record that I have of our parents and us.

"The citizen and fisherman Martin Wolter, (grandfather of C.P. Wolter) was born in the year 1773, died August 18, 1830. He was buried August 20, age 57 years. His wife, the widow Wolter, was born Feb. 25, 1779, died June 26, 1844, age 65 years, 4 months, 1 day. To this union were born:

Johanna Sophie, born Dec. 6, 1799, baptized Dec. 15.
 Martin Frederick Wilhelm, born June 2, 1808, baptized June 6.
 Martin Karl August, born Sept. 2, 1812, baptized Sept. 20
 August Daniel, born Feb. 6, 1815, baptized Feb. 20.
 Fredericka Christine Louise, born January 7, 1817, baptized Jan. 19
 Daniel Frederick, born Sept. 26, 1819, baptized the same day.
 The girls, Sophie and Fredericka both married Karl Schroeder.

The history of Daniel Wolter was written by himself as follows: Born September 26, 1819 at Schwedt on the River Oder in the kingdom of Prussia in Germany. Came to America June 26, 1845 in one of the first steam ships used in crossing the ocean. Arriving at Buffalo, N.Y., while waiting to get permission to land, the boiler exploded, but no one was hurt, and all landed safely.

He was married Feb. 5, 1850 to Anna Magdalena Ehrmann, who was born Oct. 17, 1827 at Eberbach, Germany. She came with her parents to America in the fall of 1848 on a sail boat. This boat was shipwrecked and had to be towed into an English harbor for repairs before coming to America.

Andrew Ehrman and his wife whose name before her marriage was Julianna Stecker, their two boys Frederick and Christian and two girls Anna Magdalena and Katherina came to America in the fall of 1848. Upon their arrival at Buffalo, while going from the boat dock up the main street, their oldest son Frederick dropped dead. He was buried in the North Street Cemetery there.

The union of Daniel F. Wolter and his wife was blessed with ten children, two sons and eight daughters.

Katharina Fredericka was born Feb. 7, 1851. She died May 26, 1851.

Johanna Sophia was born March 20, 1852. On May 31, 1870 she was united in marriage with Carl F. William Roberts. To this union were born eleven children, fourteen grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

William Roberts died Sept. 3, 1913.

Sophia Roberts died June 5, 1933.

Fredericka Louise Christina was born Oct. 14, 1853. She was united in marriage Jan. 28, 1877 with August Henry Bracker. To this union were born nine children, twenty four grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

August Bracker died March 24, 1921.

Fredericka Bracker died December 26, 1933.

* Frederick Daniel was born Sep. 16, 1855. He was united in marriage with Margert Wiltenburg April 21, 1881. To them a daughter Elizabeth was born. June 1, 1887 his wife Margerth died. Jan. 19, 1888 he married Augusta Schroeder. This union was blessed with three children and four grandchildren.

Fred Wolter died Oct. 27, 1926.

Marie was born Oct. 22, 1857 and died Jan. 22, 1859.

Johanna Magdalena was born Nov. 12, 1859. On Nov. 12, 1882 she was united in marriage to Henry Schamber. To this union were born twelve children and twenty two grandchildren.

Louise Margareth was born May 4, 1862 and died July 10, 1863.

Bertha was born September 2, 1864. She died Sept. 5, 1873.

Elenora Magdalena was born Dec. 21, 1866. She was married to Fred Merthens Jan. 16, 1892. To this union were no children.

Carl Philip was born Dec. 9, 1870. Nov. 30, 1893 he was united in marriage with Myrtie Carlisle. To this union were born three children and two grandchildren.

Our father Daniel F. Wolter died April 25, 1891 at the age of 71 years and 7 months. Our mother Anna Magdalena Wolter died March 12, 1894 at the age of 66 years and 6 months. In March 1869 they came to Chester Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, bought their home and lived there until their death.

Written by C.P. Wolter, July 1934.