

MOES Nicolas

(1844 - 1918) ¹

Roodt-sur-Ell

Biography

Nicolas MOËS (MOES) was born in Roodt-sur-Ell (Rédange) in 1844. His father François was a *Grenzaufseher, Zollbeamter*.

Around 1864 Nicolas moved with his mother Catherine DARO to Rédange, while father François, probably for professional reasons, stayed behind in Roodt-sur-Ell. In the Rédange Census of 1864 Nicolas was registered as *ferblantier*.

In the Census of 1867, however, the MOES-DARO family was reunited in Rédange and father François, now retired as *douanier*, had become a *ferblantier*, like his son Nicolas.

Nicolas MOES was thus the founder of the MOES atelier in Rédange. ²

On 6 November 1868, at the age of 24, he applied as *ferblantier-lampiste* for his first patent. His most successful invention, however, was his *écrémeuse (Milchsatte)*, invented in the mid-1880s.

In 1871 Nicolas married Marie HEMMER, daughter of an *Ackerer* in Redange.

His oldest son François (b. 1872) was part of the family business and so was son Joseph (b. 1879) ³ who took over the business in the early 1900s. ⁴

Nicolas MOES died in Rédange in 1918, at the age of 74.

¹ *FamilySearch database (G6BN-18X)*

² *www.industrie.lu*

³ *FamilySearch database (G7JC-3MQ)*

⁴ *www.industrie.lu*