

# FEHLEN Antoine

(1837 - 1915) <sup>1</sup>

Wellenstein

## Biography

Antoine FEHLEN was born in Wellenstein. His father Anton FEHLEN (1778-1859), at the age of 57, married Anna THOMMES (1804-1887) in 1835. When Antoine was born in 1837 his father's occupation was "*pensionnierter Offizier*".

In 1871 he married Marie Louise MARCHAND.

In 1873 he was reported to be living in Luxembourg-city (5 Badenburger-Gasse). His occupation was *Bankbeamte*. In 1874 he had the opportunity to take over the *Caisse commerciale et commerciale* owned by Belgian banker François BERGER, and which had run into trouble. In 1875 he re-baptised the bank "Banque A. Fehlen & Cie".

In 1879 Antoine FEHLEN became administrateur of the "Banque Nationale" and in 1880 he was named "Consul d'Italie" in Luxembourg-city.

FEHLEN's bank, however, ran into financial difficulty and was declared insolvent on 1 December 1885. As a result, Antoine FEHLEN got involved in numerous court cases filed by creditors of the bank.

In four of his six patents FEHLEN designated Antoine Dominique PESCATORE as co-owner. <sup>2 3</sup> The latter was a banker/industrialist, vice-president of the "Banque Nationale" and a member of Parliament between 1867 and 1886.

In 1886 FEHLEN's wife MARCHAND obtained "*séparation des biens*" and Antoine FEHLEN left Luxembourg, probably for London.

By 1896 he he was reported as "*actuellement sans profession, domicile ni résidence connus*".

In 1910 FEHLEN was involved in the bankruptcy of the "Bankverein in Luxemburg", together with Antoine Dominique PESCATORE.

FEHLEN died in 1915 in London.

---

<sup>1</sup> *FamilySearch database (GXY8-V69)*

<sup>2</sup> *FamilySearch database*

<sup>3</sup> *Wikipedia*