

BLOC Arthur

(1846 - 1923) ¹

Luxembourg-city

Biography

Emile Arthur 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.

Arthur BLOC was born in 1846 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.

In 1855 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 Arthur and his younger brother Alphonse joined the MAYER glove factory as *contremaître* and *commis*. On 1 July 1889 they took over the factory as "BLOC frères".

Arthur BLOC was married to Ernestine Emilie OTTERBOURG (born 1858 in Paris). The couple lived in Luxembourg-city (11 Boulevard Royal).

Arthur BLOC died in Luxembourg-city (Fondation J.P. Pescatore) in 1923.

¹ [FamilySearch database](#) (G7KH-QKD)

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"*.