

# GONTIER-GRIGY Denis Ambroise

(1811 - 1886) <sup>1</sup>

Chailly (FR)

## Biography

Denis Ambroise GONTIER was born in 1811 in Chailly (Seine et Marne, France).

In 1836 he married Eloïse Honorine GRIGY in Coulommiers (Seine-et-Marne, France).

The couple already had a child by the name Héloïse Augustine, born in 1835. GRIGY's occupation was *agent principal de la Compagnie d'assurance de l'Union*.

In 1841 he was *gérant de la société dite la Tricéphale, ou compagnie d'assurance à prime contre la mortalité des bestiaux formée sous la raison sociale GONTIER et Cie* in Paris.

GONTIER was an only child, and with the inheritance of his father and that of one of his uncles he moved to Luxembourg in 1841. <sup>2</sup>

He had a house built on 30 rue Beaumont, in the city centre. He was working in a legal cabinet, presumably that of Me Charles SIMONIS.

He also acted as *sténographe* in the *Etats-Généraux* (Luxembourg Parliament).

In 1844 GONTIER still lived in rue Beaumont when daughter Emma Catherine was born; his occupation was recorded as *Rentner*, i.e. without any specific professional activity.

In later years his occupation was recorded in the Civil Registers as *directeur d'assurances*.

The GONTIER-GRIGYs had three daughters born in Luxembourg.

The family moved several times in Luxembourg-city:

1847	222 rue de la place d'Armes
1852	35 Marché aux Poissons
1853	324 rue de l'Eau
1855	7 rue de la Loge

Denis Ambroise GONTIER-GRIGY died on 4 December 1886 at the age of 75 in his home in *rue de la Loge N° 7*.

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<sup>1</sup> [FamilySearch database \(G3W9-4LQ\)](#)

<sup>2</sup> *L'Union*, 16 September 1868, page 1