Bouvier, Antoine. (1853-1925)

Antoine Bouvier was born on June 4, 1853 at St. François Xavier. He was the son of Antoine Bouvier Sr. (b. 1828) and Genevieve Breland. Antoine married Elise Laviolette (b.1855), the daughter of Jean-Baptiste Laviolette and Nancy Paul on July 3, 1875 at St. François Xavier. Elise died on August 20, 1879 at St. François Xavier, age 23. He then married Elise Martin (b. 1862), the daughter of Abraham Martin and Marie Anne Gervais on February 15, 1881 at St. François Xavier. Antoine died on March 29, 1925 at San Clara, Manitoba. His wife Elise Martin died on June 5, 1943 at San Clara, Manitoba.

This was a Métis family that was once members of the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Band at Belcourt, North Dakota and then moved to the Boggy Creek, San Clara area of Manitoba. Antoine and Elise with their children were enumerated at Turtle Mountain in both 1888 and 1889. Antoine's older brother Casimir and his family were also enumerated at Turtle Mountain in 1889.

Children of Antoine and Elise Laviolette:

• Joseph Emilien, born September 14, 1877 at St. Francois Xavier.

Children of Antoine and Elise Martin:

- Elzear born 1882 at Belcourt, N.D.
- Marie Genevieve, born 1884, at Belcourt N.D.
- Jean Antoine, born 1886 at Belcourt N.D.
- Henri, born 1889 at Belcourt N.D.

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