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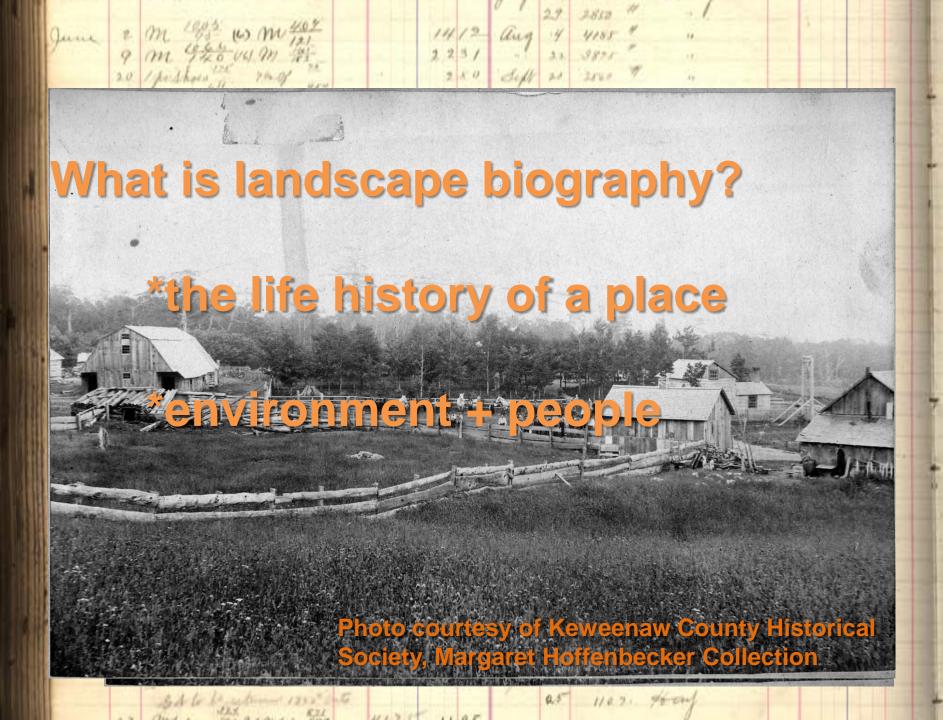
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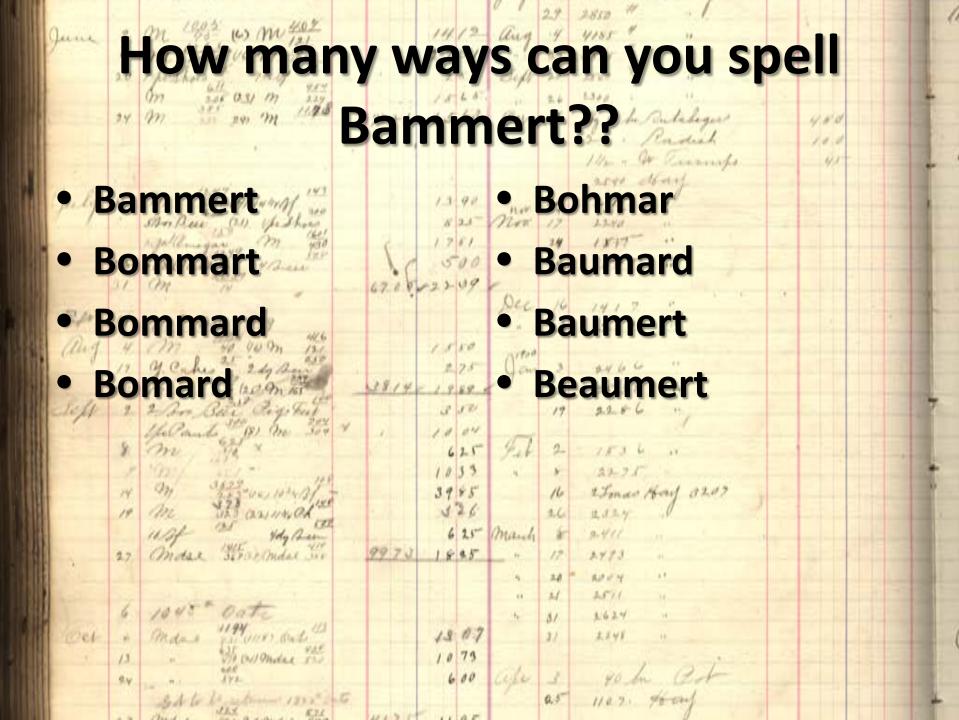
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- MiGenWeb
- Keweenaw County Courthouse
  - Title indexes, birth & death records
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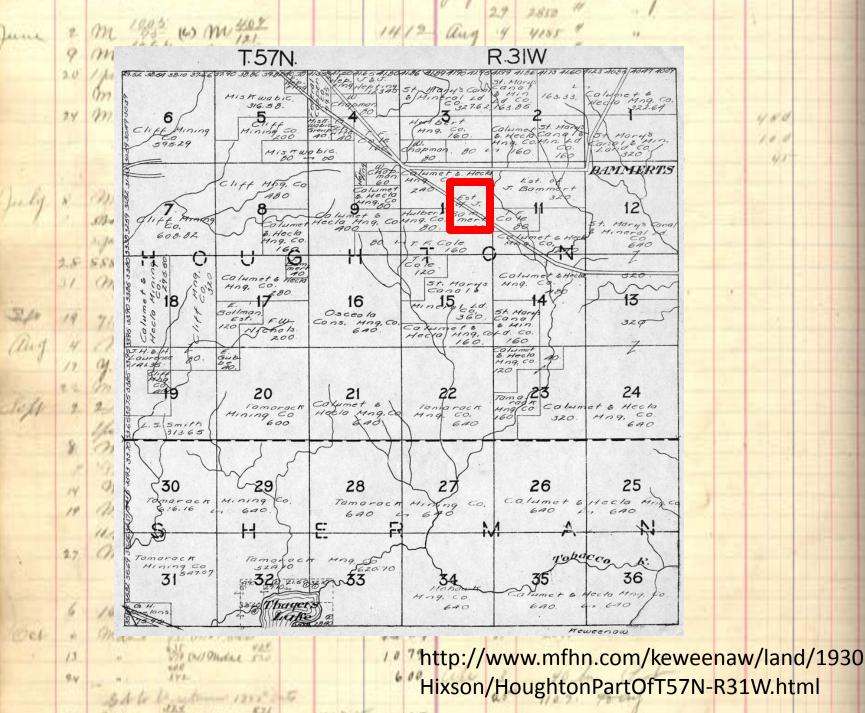
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**BUILDUP: 1854-1870s 1854 Jonas Bammert begins work at Cliff Mine** 1856-7 Jonas buys first parcels that would become **Bammert Farm** 1860s-1872 Jonas and wife Caroline have 6 children 1870 Jonas owns 40 acres, less than 40% cultivated, valued \$2000 SUCCESS: 1880-1905 **DECLINE: 1909-1916 TRANSITION: 1917-1934 LIZZADRO FAMILY VACATIONS: 1934 – present GRATIOT LAKE CONSERVANCY: 2005 - present** 

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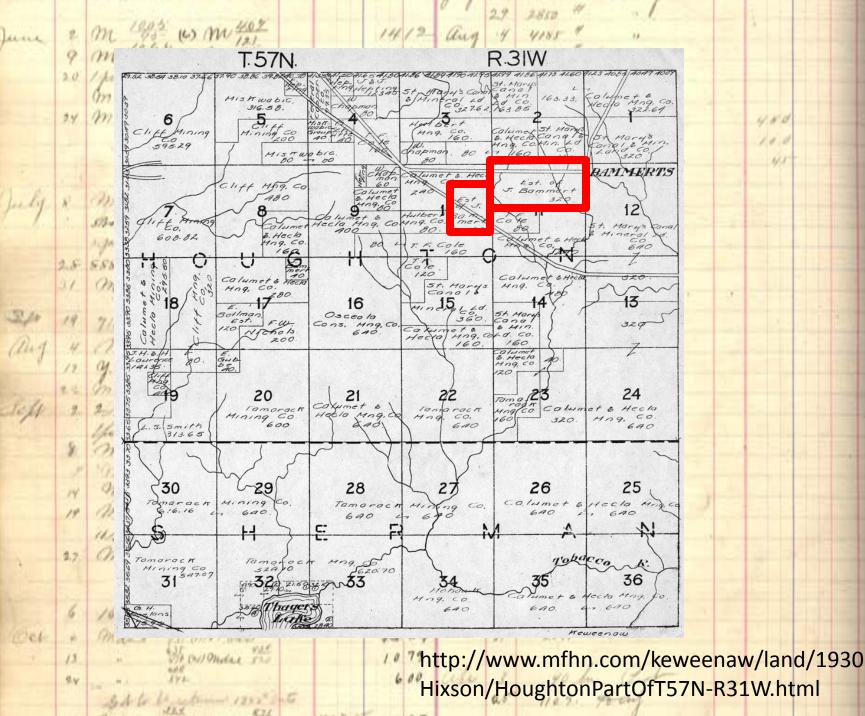
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1889 Jonas harvests pine near Central Mine location 1894 Bammert Farm 500 acres valued at \$4000 including

root vegetables, potatoes, hay, dairy

Bammert logging camp in Eagle Harbor township valued \$5000, 12 000 logs, 1 500 000 board feet 1903-1905 Jonas Bammert land speculation near Gratiot

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Jonas Bammert with Logs Eagle Harbor Old photograph courtesy of Frank Carlton

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# **BAMMERT FARM & EMPLOYEES**

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## Obituary – Calumet News February 15, 1909

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# "AGED PIONEER IS DEAD"

"Jonas Beaumert, who remembered Calumet before the trains came, dies.... The death occurred ... on a farm near the Phoenix of [Jonas] Beaumert, one of the oldest, if not the oldest, pioneers of the copper country.... He settled in Keweenaw County and has farmed near Phoenix for a number of years.... He was well known to the elder residents of both this and Keweenaw counties. Many from Calumet anticipate attending his funeral."

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1909 Jonas Bammert dies on February 13th at eldest son Joseph's home Joseph and wife Anna (Harjala) Bammert take over the farm **1912 Joseph Bammert dies 1910s Anna Bammert remarries to an employee of Bammert Farm** I Jonas Hours 3207 **1916 The Petermann Store takes over Bammert Farm** as its creditor **TRANSITION: 1917-1934 LIZZADRO FAMILY VACATIONS: 1934 – present GRATIOT LAKE CONSERVANCY: 2005 - present** 

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1917-1934 Bammert Farm property changes hands multiple times under the direction of the Petermann family LIZZADRO FAMILY VACATIONS: 1934 – present

1934 Lizzadro family buys Bammert Farm as a vacation home 1950s Joe Lizzadro plants red pine in formerly cultivated fields GRATIOT LAKE CONSERVANCY: 2005 – present

2005 After Mary Lizzadro passes away her family transfers

most of Bammert Farm to the Gratiot Lake

Conservancy (GLC) 2006 MTU Forestry Department students participate in Red Pine thinning project. GLC invests revenue in educational and land preservation programs

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