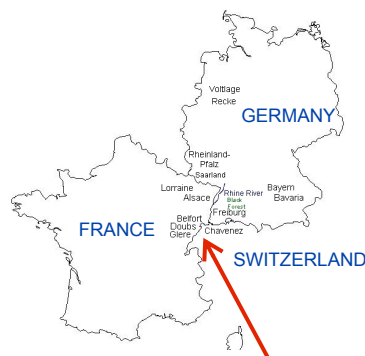
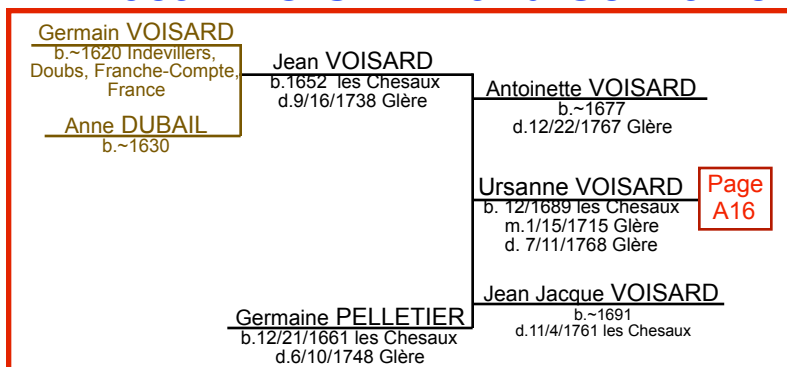


CHAPTER TWO

The Family of Jean VOISARD and Germaine PELLETIER

Germain VOISARD
m. Anne DUBAIL
- Jean VOISARD
m. Germaine PELLETIER
- Ursanne VOISARD
m. Anna Marie RIAT
- Georges VOISARD
m. Marie Catherine SAULNIER
- Ursanne VOISARD
m. Marie Jeanne BRISECHOUX
- Ursanne VOISARD
m. Justine MISEREZ
- James VOISARD
m. Adelaide GROGEAN
- Esther M. VOISARD
m. Urban Carl SCHNEIDER
- Urban E. SCHNEIDER
m. Sylvia A. STEINKE

Jean VOISARD and Germaine PELLETIER



Jean VOISARD was born around 1652 in les Chesaux, Doubs, Franche-comte, France. He was the one known son of Germain VOISARD and Anne DUBAIL, of Indevillers, Doubs, Franche Comté, France. I have not found any information on any known siblings.

Germaine PELLETIER was born on December 21, 1661 in les Chesaux, 25470, Doubs, Franche Comté, France. No information is known on her siblings, if any. Her parents were Emericus PELLETIER and Barbe MOREL, who were both born in les Chesaux and married on January 16, 1657 in Glère Parish, 25000, Doubs, Franche Comté, France. One reference lists Emericus PELLETIER as born in les Breuleux, in the Canton of Jura, Switzerland, while another source lists him as being born in les Chesaux. Barbe (MOREL) PELLETIER's father was Jean MOREL, born about 1600 in les Chesaux.

PELLETIER is a French occupational name referring to one who is a fur trader, trapper, or skinner.

Jean VOISARD married Germaine PELLETIER and they had three known children.

Jean VOISARD died on September 16, 1738 in Glère Parish. Germaine PELLETIER died on June 10, 1748 in Glère Parish.

How was this information gathered?

Many sources were used to gather information on the VOISARD family. Though all sources do not agree, among the most used were:

<http://www.genealogy.com/users/m/o/n/Carl-Remigius-Monnin-TX/TREE/0001tree.html>
<http://gw4.geneanet.org/index.php3?b=moiphannie21&lang=en&m=N&v=PELLETIER>
<http://gw4.geneanet.org/index.php3?b=pierfit&lang=en&m=N&v=MOREL>
http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=hugh_williams&id=1888
<https://www.familysearch.org/>

The most helpful information, however, came from Marianne Doyle, from Beavercreek, Ohio. She provided extensive information on the VOISARD family, as well as many other families from this part of France and Switzerland. She used to publish a bi-monthly newsletter called "French Ancestors - Heritage of the French settlers in western Ohio", which not only gave detailed information on specific family genealogies, but gave a tremendous insight into what it was like to live in the 1700-1800's in this part of France. A few of these newsletters are included in the "Reference" section of Schneider/Steinke Genealogy notebook.

Children of Jean VOISARD and Germaine PELLETIER - Antoinette VOISARD

Paul? Jean BRISCHOUX b.~1650 Glère d. Burnevillers	Jean Jacque BRISCHOUX b.~1675 Burnevillers m. 8/20/1703 Glère d.	Urcissinus BRISCHOUX b. 4/3/1707 Glère Parish confirmation: 5/30/1716 Burnevillers m. ~1727 d. 1/13/1759 Glère Parish bur. Glère Parish Cem.	Marie Anne BRISCHOUX b. 11/9/1737 Anne Marie BRISCHOUX b. 10/22/1740 Jean Francois BRISCHOUX b. 3/11/1742 Marie Barbe BRISCHOUX b. 12/16/1746 Marie Marguerite BRISCHOUX b. ?/30/1748 Marie Barbe BRISCHOUX b. 3/12/1750 Marie Barbe BRISCHOUX b. 2/9/1753 d. 1753
Claude VOISARD b.~1650 Glère	Antoinette VOISARD b.~1677 d. 12/22/1767 Glère Parish	Marie Magdeleine GARNICHET b.	

Antoinette VOISARD was born around 1677. She was the oldest of three known children born to Jean VOISARD and Germaine (PELLETIER) VOISARD.

Antoinette VOISARD and Jean Jacque BRISCHOUX were married on August 20, 1703 in Glère, 25000, Doubs, Franche Comté, France.

Jean Jacque BRISCHOUX was born about 1675, the son of Paul-Jean BRISCHOUX and Claude VOISARD, both from Glère Parish.

Antoinette (VOISARD) BRISCHOUX died on December 22, 1767 in Glère Parish.

Jean Jacque and Antoinette (VOISARD) BRISCHOUX had one known child.

Glère - Montancy - les Chesaux - Burnevillers

All of these villages are located in the **Department of Doubs** (rhymes with you), at the beginning of the main mountain region of France. This part of the Doubs is surrounded on three sides by the border of Switzerland.

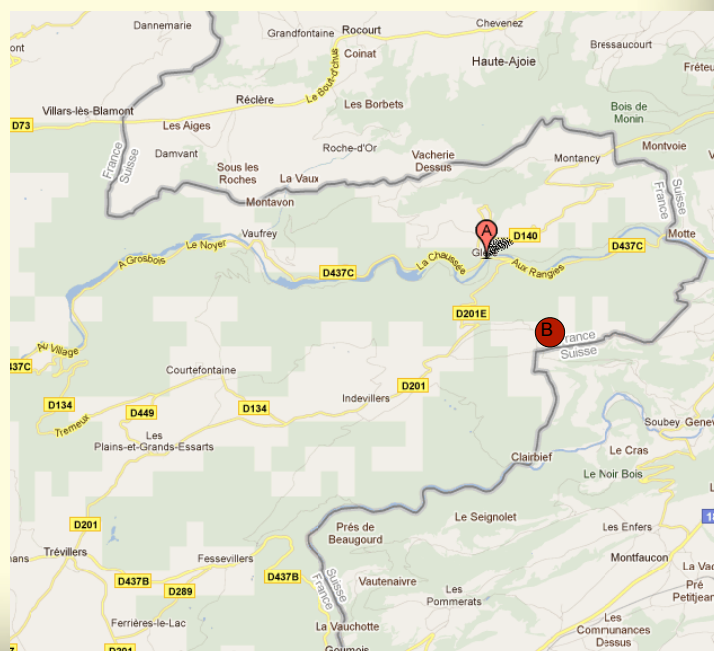
Glère, (at the letter 'A' on the map), is located in a narrow valley along the Doubs River, about a mile-and-a-half from the Swiss border. Today, it has a population of just over 200 residents.

The village of **les Chesaux** is just south-west of Glère on the River Doubs. It appears to have only one or two buildings there today, and is not shown on any current maps that I've seen.

Montancy, to the north east of Glère, is just six-tenths of a mile from the Swiss border. It is situated on a steep, wooded ridge overlooking a deep valley cut by the River Doubs. Its current population is about 150 residents. Many of the residents work in the agricultural sector, with dairy farming still forming a large part of the local economy. A number of residents also commute to work in factories in Switzerland.

The village of **Burnevillers**, (near the letter 'B' on the map) is less than a half mile from the border of Switzerland. It is a small village with a current population of about 50 residents.

map from: google maps



Page A17	Ursanne VOISARD b. 12/1689 les Chesaux m. 1/15/1715 Glère d. 7/11/1768 Glère	1. Jean Claude VOISARD 2. Georges VOISARD 3. Marie Anne VOISARD 4. Ursanne VOISARD 5. Jean Pierre VOISARD
Page A17	Anne Marie RIAT b. ~1691 Chevenez, Switzerland d. 4/14/1739 Glère	

More information on this family is in the next Chapter:
"Ursanne VOISARD and Anne Marie RIAT".

Ursanne VOISARD was born in December of 1689 in les Chesaux, Doubs, Franche Comté, France. He was the second of three known children born to Jean VOISARD and Germaine (PELLETIER) VOISARD.

Ursanne VOISARD and Anne Marie RIAT were married on January 15, 1715 in Glère Parish, 25000, Doubs, Franche-Comté, France.

Anne Marie RIAT was born about 1691 in Chevenez, Switzerland. She was the daughter of Henry RIAT and Anne AUVREY, both from Chevenez, Switzerland.

Jura and Three-Lakes (Jura Trois-Lacs) Region of Switzerland

<http://www.myswitzerland.com/en/about-switzerland/geographic-facts/regions/swiss-regions/jura-three-lakes.html>

Just across the French/Swiss border is the home of our RIAT ancestors, in the Swiss Region **Jura & Three Lakes**. It has a rich history, and offers a variety of tourist attractions and activities:

- **Asphalt mines** - discovered in 1711, the mixture consisting of bitumen and chalkstone was exported all over the world from 1830 to 1986.
- **Creux du Van** - spectacular rock semi-circle with a large nature preserve, ibexes, wild boars, badgers etc.
- **Areuse-source and gorge** - river course from the gentle source through the wild gorges all the way to Lake Neuenburg.
- **Mauler Wine Cellar in Môtiers** - visit to the sparkling wine production plant based on the «Methode traditionnelle» and located in an old Benedictine monastery.
- **Absinthe drying facility** - impressive wooden building in Boveresse, built in 1893 especially to dry wormwood and other plants required to produce the «Green Fairy». Today the building is open to visitors.
- **La Brévine** - coldest place in Switzerland («Siberia of Switzerland») in the neighbouring valley of the Val de Travers.
- **Saint-Ursanne et le Clos du Doubs** - In the heart of the Jura, 50 minutes from Basel, the nature reserve of the Clos du Doubs reveals itself between the mountains and the river. The Doubs River bathes the ancient medieval town of Saint-Ursanne. Activities such as canoe and kayak excursions, hiking, bike rides and fishing are available to travelers eager to learn about art, culture, water and outdoor sports.

Jean Jacque VOISARD b. ~1691 d. 11/4/1761 les Chesaux
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Jean-Jacque VOISARD was born about 1691. He was the third of three known children born to Jean VOISARD and Germaine (PELLETIER) VOISARD.

Jean-Jacque VOISARD died on November 4, 1761 in Glère Parish, 25000, les Chesaux, Doubs, Franche-Comté, France.

No other records have yet been found concerning Jean-Jacque VOISARD.

