## ERNEST EDMUND BENNER :::

In 1897 he opened his Coal Business in Bridgeburg.

Ernie was born July 26, 1862 in Holdimond County, son of George and Sarah Benner . His father was a farmer and a police officer in Bridgeburg.

Ernie came to Bridgeburg at the age of 12, and at an early age was employed on the Grand Trunk Railway. He later opened the first bakery in Bridgeburg, selling it and going into the Coal business in 1897. He sold Coal and building supplies from his building on the south side of Courtwright St, just behind the railraod tracks. He was married to Claro Platto and had eleven children, eight of them living at the time of his death.

## Elsie

(Mrs. John Mc. Tague.)

Oscar Belle (Mrs. Sherk)

Mattie

(Mrs. Ben Young)

Glen c.

George

Fred

Frank E. (also in Coal Business.)