Immigration Research Notes on David Beck & Family

The 1870 census has his name as Adulphus David. He immigrated in 1869 according to the book, Auswandererlisten des ehemaligen Herzogtums Braunschweig 1846-1871 (Emigrant list of former Dukedom Brunswick) by Fritz Gruhne. This is the how the entry appears in the book and the translation:

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Beck David, Handworker, born 1813 (did they round to off to the nearest year?) in company with Rindert and 3 children, then the initials of the book and the year they applied, then the page number .The A stands for America. I'm not sure what that N.N. means. Their application is listed under the heading Heimburg, The 3 children with them, I believe, would be Albert, Alvina, and August.

David and Elizabeth's oldest son, Theodore came over in 1868, and most likely stayed with an Uncle. Fritz Gruhn's book lists Theodore like this:

Cattenstedt

Beck Joh. Gottfried Elias Theodor, Handarbeiter, * 15.7.1841, Sohn des Handarbeiters Joh. Wilhelm David Beck und der Dorothee Elisabeth Rindert.

Brg. Anz. 1868/116. NA

(Beck Joh. Gottfried Theodor, Handarbieter, 15.7.1841, Sohn des Handarbieters Joh. Wilhelm David Beck und der Dorothee Elisabeth Rindert.

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His listing is under the heading, Cattenstedt, which is 6 km from Heimburg.

Further research on Theodore shows that he came over on the ship, Hansa, from Bremen to New York arriving July 6,1868 (Germans To America, vol.21, Page 220) I have tried to find the ship that David, Elizabeth and the 3 children came over on, but as yet am having no luck.

There are conflicting versions of the immigration of the Becks from Germany. Some versions have the whole family coming over in 1860, and other versions have the boys coming over a few years prior to David and Elizabeth. I am attempting to put together this piece of history based on a few facts that I have dug up here and there. What follows is what I have learned so far: Christoph Beck settled on South Manitou Island prior to 1863. (August Beck's obituary states that they stayed with an uncle when they arrived on the island, Christoph is the only other Beck according to census records.)

According to page 77 of the book, A Garden Apart: An Agricultural and Settlement History of Michigan's Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Region, Christopher Beck homesteaded section 33 on Feb. 25, 1863. I have a copy of a homestead deed for him for 160 acres dated Nov. 1, 1869 which was probably issued after the property had "proved up".

The book series "Germans to America" vol.21, page 220 lists Theodore Beck "male laborer" age 27, from Cattenstedt, departing from Bremen and arriving in New York on July 6,1868, aboard the ship Hansa. I saw no other names that were familiar on this ships passenger list, and I am assuming that Theodore stayed with his uncle Christoph and Aunt Catherine on the island.

There is further proof that Theodore came over by himself found in the German book: Emigrant list of former dukedom Brunswick by Fritz Gruhne. I was very fortunate to find this, and even luckier to find a fellow in Germany (Thomas Erbe...THANK YOU) who e-mailed me a translation of the pages that I needed, as the book is published in German! A search of the surname Beck in the book turns up the following:\

Cattenstedt....Beck Joh. Gottfried Elias Theodore, Handarbeiter, * 15.7.1841, Sohn des Handarbieters Joh. Wilhelm David Beck und der Dorothee Elisabeth Rindert. Brg. Anz. 1868/116. NA

Translation...

Beck Joh. Gottried Theodore, Handworker, birthdate 15.7.1841 Son of the handworkers Joh. Wilhelm David Beck and Dorothee Elizabeth Rindert. Book Brunswick Emigrants, year 1868, (applied for emigration permit) page 116, destination North America.

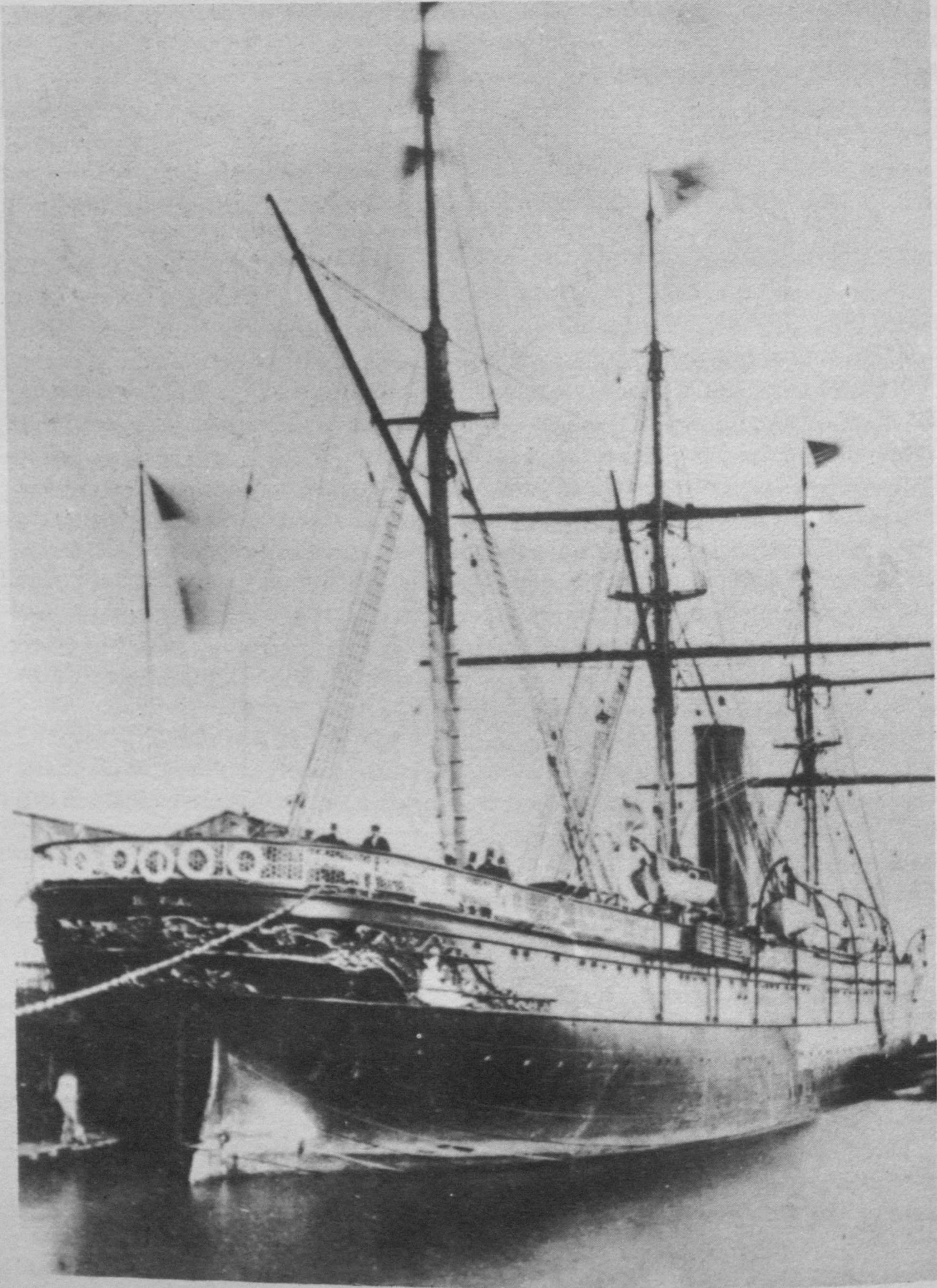
This same book lists the following for David Beck:Heimburg.....

Beck David, Handarbeiter, * co mit Rindert, N. N. Mit 3 Kindern. Brg. Anz. 1869/75.

So ... Theodore came over in 1868, and apparently David, Elizabeth and three children came over sometime in 1869, but I have not as yet, been able to locate any records for their arrival, or determined for sure which three children accompanied them.

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10. Theodor Beck found in:

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Family Archive #354 Passenger and Immigration Index, 1500s-1900s

Place: New York, NY Year: 1868

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Vol. 4. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993. 198p.

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