

*George Gors*

In 1812 Samuel Gors and his wife and son William W/ who was nine years of age came to Rochester from Waterbury Conn. in an oxcart. He looked at the land where the Powers Block now stands, which could have been purchased for 25¢ per acre. The land was not what he desired so he went out to Penfield and purchased 100 acres at 50¢ per acre. He cleared the land of the woods and built a log house. His son William W. Gors married Rebecca Tripp May 12, 1825. Four children were borned, three died in infancy. The youngest Esther Naomi was born August 7, 1833 in the log house. In 1840 William Gors and a Englishman (his name not known) built the mud house. (It was made from clay secured from the farm, straw was cut into small pieces to which water was added. Oxen were driven around on it until it was thoroughly mixed. It was built up one foot at a time, each layer was entirely dry before the next was added. When it was completed the outside was plastered in cream color and marked off in black squares of one foot each.)

Esther Naomi Gors was married to Joseph Burns February 25, 1852.

Five children were borned; Rebecca A., Thomas, Jennie, Francis and May. Rebecca and Thomas are deceased. Jennie now lives in Rochester, and Francis in Fairport. May married Anson Antes from Webster March 27, 1907. They located on the Rochester Penfield Road corner of Watson Road in 1910. On March 15, 1915 a daughter Esther Naomi was born to them.

(Brown Brothers' Nursery now owns the old farm and are remodeling it into a modern nursery farm. The house has been restored for

*the office of this beautiful farm and is well worth seeing.*