

Bendigo Cemetery



Notes for a Bockelmann and John Nissen Grave #3343 in section B4.  
The eldest son Johannes Claus Bockelmann is named on a 2nd smaller headstone on this grave, while a younger brother Thomas Paul Bockelmann, who died in 1922, and is buried in an earthen grave in section O3.

As part of the Graves Tour #2,  
this section map shows the 3 graves in B4.

	1867	1892	1875	1944	1928	1979	1929	2085	2028	1989	2761
1620	1615	1582	1572	1566	1556	1551	1511	1506	1499	3498	3899
1786	1815	1820	1805	1800	1782	1730	1705	1646	1631	3536	
4509	4500	4442	4396	4225		3961	3866	3831		3343	

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BOCKELMANN

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In loving remembrance of  
 our dear children  
 IDA BOCKELMANN  
 Born September 9th 1863, died December 17th 1864  
 MARIA BOCKELMANN  
 Born November 7th 1864, died May 11th 1867  
 JOHANNES BOCKELMANN  
 Born July 24th 1868, died September 8th 1869  
 and their Uncle  
 JOHANNES NISSEN  
 Native of Holstein, Germany  
 who departed this life December 3rd 1886  
 Aged 45 years  
 also our youngest daughter  
 DOROTHEA  
 died November 12th 1900  
 Aged 27 years  
 and  
 IDA R. BOCKELMANN  
 sister of the above  
 JOHANNES NISSEN  
 died March 21st 1905  
 Aged 69 years  
 also her beloved husband  
 HEINRICK C. BOCKELMANN  
 died November 21st 1905  
 Aged 75 years  
 Natives of Kellinghusen, Holstein, Germany  
 J.C. BOCKELMANN  
 Lunga Pausa  
 died May 3rd 1912, Aged 53 years



The phase **lunga pausa** is Italian meaning  
 "long pause",  
 and in music is sometimes added above a  
 fermata  
 to indicate a longer duration,  
 the length of which is at the discretion  
 of the performer rather than note values.  
 A great [note](#) for a musician's headstone.



The following people were buried in this grave #3343 Sect B4 as per cemetery records.

3343 JOHANNIS C. BOCKELMANN 9/9/1869 \*\*\*\*

10106 JOHANNES (JOHN) NISSEN 4 DECEMBER 1886 \*\*\*\*

16196 DOROTHEA BOCKELMANN 13/11/1900 \*\*\*\*

18306 IDA R. BOCKELMANN 22/3/ 1905 \*\*\*\*

18598 HEINRICH C. BOCKELMANN 22/11/1905 \*\*\*\*

21529 JOHANNES CLAUS BOCKELMANN 4 MAY 1912 \*\*\*\*

In separate earthen graves in Sect B4, though named on main headstone.

1899 Ida Catherine Mary BOCKELMANN 19/12/1864 1 yr

2707 Maria BOCKELMANN 13/05/1867 6 yrs

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### *John Nissen*

#### **Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Sat 4 Dec 1886 Page 2**

THE LATE MR JOHN NISSEN

As briefly reported in our last issue, Mr John Nissen, the well known and highly respected licensee of the European Hotel, in High street, expired at his late residence shortly after one o'clock yesterday morning. The deceased gentleman was born in Kellinghusen, Holstein, Germany, in 1841. When about 19 years of age he came out to the colony, and at once made his way to the Bendigo goldfields.

After working for about a couple of years at a puddling machine, he joined his brother-in-law, Mr Harry Bockelmann, in the hotel business, and bought the European Hotel, in High Street, which was then owned by the late Dr M O'Brien.

After being in the hotel for two or three years, Mr Nissen took the Hamburg hotel, which was situated in High Street, on the site now occupied by Mr Richardson's store. After that he followed the rushes to Myers Creek, Bullock Creek and the Whipstick, and in 1868 he went to Spring Creek, where he remained for about four years.

In these ventures he was pretty successful, and in 1872 he returned to Sandhurst, and rejoined Mr Bockelmann at the European Hotel, the partnership existing up to the time of his death. While in the Hamburg Hotel, Mr Nissen had a severe attack of liver complaint, from which he never properly recovered.

About the end of July last, after doctoring himself up for some months with various patent medicines, the deceased gentleman consulted Dr Hinchcliff, who advised him to take a trip to the seaside.

In the following week Mr Nissen proceeded to Melbourne. At the time, Dr Hinchcliff

informed the deceased's friends that nothing could cure him, but it was not considered advisable to inform him of this fact. After remaining in Melbourne for about six weeks, during which time the disease assumed a very serious aspect, the deceased was brought back to Sandhurst.

After his return, he appeared to rally slightly, but although Drs Eadie senr and junior, and Dr MacGillivray did all that human skill could suggest, he gradually sank, and eventually expired as above stated yesterday morning. He remained quite conscious up to the last, and evidently knew that his end was approaching.

In fact, on Thursday evening an intimate friend called to see him, but when he was leaving, Mr Nissen remarked that they would never meet again on this side of the grave. The deceased was well known and highly respected in this district, his gentlemanly bearing unassuming nature and charitable disposition rendering him a general favourite with all who knew him. He had no brothers living, and Mrs H Bockelmann (Ida Rebecca) was his only sister out here, there being three sisters in Germany.

He was a member of the Bendigo Deutscher Verein and the Loyal James Rowe Lodge, M. U. I. O. O. F. and the flags at their respective places of meeting were yesterday flying half-mast in respect to his memory. The funeral takes place at four o'clock this afternoon.

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*Ida Rebecca Bockelmann*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Tue 21 Mar 1905 Page 3**

OBITUARY.

There passed peacefully away at her residence, Graham Street, Quarry Hill, last evening, Mrs Ida R Bockelmann, wife of Mr H C Bockelmann. The late Mrs Bockelmann sustained a paralytic stroke about three years ago. A second paralytic seizure occurred about three weeks back, and the patient, who was attended unremittingly by Dr Atkinson, did not rally from it. Mrs Bockelmann, who was 70 years of age, was a native of Germany, and came to Australia in 1857, settling in Bendigo.

For 30 years she was associated with the management of the European hotel, High Street, and was generally respected.

In addition to the husband, a daughter (Mrs P Buchholz), and four sons are left to mourn their loss. Two of the sons, Messrs T P and J C Bockelmann, are well known musicians.

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*Heinrich Christian Bockelmann*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Wed 22 Nov 1905 Page 5**

OBITUARY

Mr H C Bockelmann, of Graham Street, Quarry Hill, expired at his residence yesterday morning at 10 o'clock after a long and painful illness, the cause of death being heart disease. The deceased gentleman, who was 75 years of age, was an old identity of Bendigo.



Born in 1830, in Kellinghusen, Holstein, Germany, he came to Australia in 1854, attracted by the gold discoveries. He spent the first seven years at the Mt Blackwood rush, and then came to Bendigo. After digging for gold for some years, he opened the Hamburg hotel, in High Street, which stood on the site now occupied by Mr C H Davey's premises.

Shortly afterwards Mr Bockelmann, in conjunction with the late Mr J Nissen, built the present European hotel, in High Street, where he resided until about 17 years ago, when he retired from business, and ever since lived privately at Quarry Hill. Mr Bockelmann's wife (Ida Rebecca) predeceased him some time back.

Out of a family of 10 children only five survive, viz Mrs Paul Buchholz, and Messrs J, H, A, and T P Bockelmann. Messrs J and T P Bockelmann are well known musicians, of this city, whilst the other two brothers at present are residing in New South Wales.

The funeral will take place to the Bendigo Cemetery this afternoon, moving from his late residence at 4 o'clock.

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*Johannes Claus Bockelmann*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Sat 4 May 1912 Page 4**  
OBITUARY.

A well-known and highly-respected citizen, in the person of Mr J Bockelmann, passed away about 1.30 yesterday morning. The deceased gentleman was 53 years of age, and had been suffering from heart and kidney troubles for two or three years. These ailments assumed an acute form about eight months ago.

He was an old resident of the city, having lived here practically all his life. He was a most successful music teacher. Amongst his pupils were Messrs W Murdoch, C Huddle, and a number of other successful artists. He was well known in local musical circles, and at one time took a leading part in the different orchestras.

He was also a familiar figure on the Stock Exchange. Mr Bockelmann was unmarried, and leaves a sister and three brothers. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock today.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Mon 6 May 1912 Page 7**  
OBITUARY

The interment of the remains of the late Mr Johannes Bockelmann took place in the Lutheran section of the Bendigo Cemetery on Saturday, the funeral, which moved from his late residence, Short-street, being joined by a large number of friends.

The coffin was borne to its last resting place by the Mayor of Bendigo (Mr Ross), Messrs B Kemp, J Kahland, and J Stanistreet. The Rev Pastor Leypoldt, prior to the cortege leaving the house, conducted a short service, and also officiated at the grave, where he delivered a

most impressive address. He referred to the departed gentleman's many estimable qualities as a citizen and to his unostentatious and charitable disposition, remarking that the community in general could ill-afford to lose a gentleman of Mr Bockelmann's fine stamp.

Numerous floral emblems of sympathy were received, including one from the deceased gentleman's former pupils, all of whom deeply deplore the loss of a highly capable, painstaking and devoted teacher.

The mortuary arrangements were in the hands of Mr T Sayer, of Bridge Street.

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**The Bendigo Independent (Vic. : 1891 - 1918) Sat 4 May 1912 Page 6**

**OBITUARY**

Mr Johannes Claus Bockelmann, eldest son of the original owner of the European Hotel, High street, died yesterday morning, from heart failure. The deceased was about 56 years of age and a Bendigonian by birth. For very many years he conducted pianoforte and theory teaching, in which, he was most accomplished.

He never married, and for many years lived in Short street, with Mr Steffen, carpenter and joiner. He was a brother of Mr T P Bockelmann, violinist, of Barnard Street. The funeral leaves his late residence at 4 o'clock this afternoon, for the Bendigo cemetery.

*Johannes played the zither, a violin like musical instrument.*



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