

only four years of age when brought to the United States by his parents, of whom mention is made in connection with the sketch of their son, Wilhelm Manning, on another page of this work. The birth of Henry Manning occurred October 21, 1857, and for a brief period in his youth he was a resident of Illinois, for his parents settled in Cook county, that state, when they came to the new world. The father passed away in Chicago and the mother, following the disastrous Chicago fire of October, 1871, came with her three sons—Wilhelm, Henry and Herman—to Iowa. All three brothers farmed together until 1886 and throughout the period of his residence in this state Henry Manning has devoted his attention to general agricultural pursuits. He has worked diligently and persistently to gain a start and to win the prosperity which is now his. In 1911 he took up his abode upon his present place, which he purchased, adding to his holdings until he now has four hundred and seventy-five acres in the immediate vicinity of his home farm. He ranks with Deerfield township's most successful and progressive farmers, following the most modern methods in the further development and improvement of the fields and thus greatly enhancing the productiveness of his land.

On the 1st of December, 1886, Mr. Manning was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Kumrey, a daughter of Henry and Henrietta Kumrey, who were natives of Germany, whence they came to the United States. The father was for a long period a resident of Iowa and passed away in Deerfield township, Chickasaw county. The mother died in 1911 in Floyd county, this state. To Mr. and Mrs. Manning have been born three children: Edward H. and John H., who are married; and George A., who is assisting his father in the further development and improvement of the home farm.

The religious faith of the parents is indicated in their connection with the German Lutheran church of Bassett. For fifty-seven years Henry Manning has resided on this side of the Atlantic and is thoroughly American in spirit and interests. The greater part of his life has been passed in Iowa and the agricultural development of Chickasaw county has been promoted in no small measure through his untiring industry and progressiveness.

HUGH H. SAUL.

Prominent among the energetic, farsighted and successful business men of Howard county is numbered Hugh H. Saul, who is actively identified with farming interests on section 15, Howard township, and is also the president of the Maple Leaf Creamery Company. His business affairs are most wisely directed, his judgment at all times being sound and his methods thoroughly reliable. Iowa numbers him among her native sons and the greater part of his life has been spent within her borders. He was born near Reinbeck, Grundy county, on the 31st of August, 1878, his parents being Thomas K. and Anna (Dyer) Saul, the former a native of Ireland, while the latter was born in Illinois. The father came to the United States in young manhood and settled in Forreston, Illinois, where he was subsequently married. About 1868 he removed to Iowa and made his first investment in Iowa farm land by the purchase of a tract in Franklin county, for which he paid four dollars per acre. After living upon that farm for only a brief period he traded the property for land in Grundy county, for which he paid seven dollars per acre, acquiring one hundred and forty-seven acres. For thirty years he lived upon that place and converted it into a most productive tract, his fields responding readily to the care and labor which he bestowed upon them. After leaving the farm he removed to Reinbeck and later to Waterloo, where he and his wife remained until called to their final rest. The death of the father occurred in 1912, while the mother survived him for three years.

Hugh H. Saul was a pupil in the Ellsworth College at Iowa Falls, Iowa, after completing his district school course, and took up the profession of teaching, which he followed through two winter terms. He also spent two years at work at the painter's trade and in 1902 he began farming on his own account, his practical training received upon the old homestead now coming into good play. He cultivated two hundred and