

comprising two hundred and forty acres of rich and productive land, which he still owns and successfully cultivates.

In 1889 Mr. Perry was united in marriage to Miss Belle Young, a daughter of James Young, now deceased, who was a well known resident of Saratoga township. To this union have been born eight children, four sons and four daughters, namely: Thomas R., who is filling the responsible position of county engineer of Howard county; Harry, who is engaged in farming in Howard county; Madge and Florence, both of whom are graduate nurses; Helen, who is a graduate of the Cresco high school and is now at home; and Leslie, Chester and Edith, all yet at home.

Mr. Perry votes with the republican party and has served for several years as a member of the board of township trustees and for some time as a member of the school board. He belongs to Cresco Lodge, No. 150, A. F. & A. M., and is a worthy follower of the craft, exemplifying in his life its teachings concerning the brotherhood of mankind and the obligations thereby imposed. In his life record there are no exciting chapters but fidelity to principle has marked his career and his business life has been actuated by a laudable ambition that has enabled him to accomplish substantial results.

D. M. BERNETT.

D. M. Bennett, who is successfully engaged in the operation of a fine farm of eighty acres on section 8, Saratoga township, Howard county, was born in Dearborn county, Indiana, November 29, 1877, of the marriage of Daniel and Margaret (Trout) Bennett. On coming to Iowa in 1878 the family located at Ridgeway, Winneshiek county, where the father purchased a farm and engaged in its cultivation for three years. During the following three years he operated a rented farm in that county and then removed to Decorah, Iowa, where he cultivated rented land for ten years. At the end of that time he came to Howard county and located a mile south of Saratoga, where he followed farming for fifteen years. He died on the 9th of September, 1914, but his wife is still living and now makes her home with three of her sons in Waterloo, Iowa.

D. M. Bennett accompanied his parents on their various removals and was reared in much the usual manner of the farm lad, his education being obtained in the district schools near his home. By assisting his father in the work of the farm he became thoroughly familiar with agricultural pursuits and in 1907 he purchased his present farm on section 8, Saratoga township, Howard county, and has since successfully engaged in its operation. He has eighty acres under a high state of cultivation and is regarded as one of the prosperous citizens of his community.

On the 6th of January, 1904, Mr. Bennett was united in marriage to Miss Martha Breitsprecher, a daughter of August and Louise Breitsprecher, and to them have been born three children, namely: Vera Louise, now ten years of age; Arlys Anna, nine years old; and Lois Marie, an infant of six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett hold membership in the Lutheran church and are widely and favorably known throughout the community in which they reside. Mr. Bennett is independent in politics and for five years has faithfully served as a school director in his district.

FRANK KALISHEK.

Frank Kalishek, a retired farmer residing in Protivin, was born in Bohemia, October 9, 1862, a son of Martin and Catherine (Vet) Kalishek, who came to the United States in 1869. Crossing the continent to Iowa, they established their home in Sumner township, Winneshiek county, upon a farm, where they resided until the mother's death in 1875. Two years later the father married Mrs. Catherine