

Following his first marriage Mr. Lowry rented a portion of his father's farm, which he continued to cultivate until 1914, when he bought his present home place of one hundred and thirty-seven acres, twenty-three acres of this tract being now within the corporate limits of the town. Upon this portion of the farm stands his home. He established the Fredericksburg Stock Farm and is giving his attention to the raising of Holstein cattle, Poland China hogs and pure blooded barred Plymouth Rock and White Wyandotte chickens. The various branches of his business are bringing to him deserved and substantial success and he is regarded as one of the most progressive and enterprising of the residents of Fredericksburg. His political allegiance is given to the republican party.

J. W. KRIEGER.

J. W. Krieger, of New Hampton, enjoys the reputation of being a forceful, resourceful and extremely progressive business man and is displaying splendid business qualifications as the secretary of the New Hampton Farmers Creamery Association. He was born July 30, 1855, in Davenport, Iowa, a son of Gerhard and Mary Anna (Brus) Krieger. The mother came to the United States in young womanhood from Prussia, Germany, in company with her parents, the voyage being made in 1847. Mr. Krieger crossed the Atlantic alone in the same year, being at that time twenty-four years of age. While they came over about the same time, the voyage was made on different vessels. Mr. Krieger was born November 7, 1823, while his wife was born about 1825. They were acquainted in Prussia and the friendship was renewed after they reached the new world and found its consummation in marriage in St. Louis, Missouri, in May, 1848. Mr. Krieger afterward purchased one hundred and sixty acres of land near Warrenton, Missouri, and for six years engaged in cultivating that property. When he started farming he bought one hundred and sixty acres of land and he paid seven dollars for his first cow and nine dollars for his first horse—a notable contrast to the prices that are now asked for live stock. When he sold his original one hundred and sixty acres the farm netted him nine hundred dollars. He then removed to Davenport, Iowa, where he engaged in carpentering until his son, J. W. Krieger, was ten years of age, when the father resumed agricultural pursuits, purchasing forty acres of land three miles from Davenport. There he engaged in truck gardening for eight or ten years, peddling his garden produce from house to house in Davenport. He afterward bought eighty acres adjoining his forty-acre tract and still later acquired eighteen acres additional, so that his place became a good farm of one hundred and thirty-eight acres. He remained thereon until 1875, when he sold that property and came to Chickasaw county, taking up his abode in Dayton township, where he bought one hundred and sixty acres of land that is now known as the old homestead. It is now owned and occupied by his son, Theodore Krieger. The father conducted this farm until the marriage of Theodore in 1887, when he retired to New Hampton and there resided until his death, which occurred in 1903, when he had reached the very venerable age of eighty years. Ere he had put aside the cares of active business life Mr. Krieger had accumulated four hundred and eighty acres of land in Dayton and New Hampton townships and had thereby won a place among the prosperous farmers of his adopted county. His wife reached the notable old age of ninety years and passed away in 1911. Both were people of genuine personal worth. Mr. Krieger was widely known as a kind and devoted husband and father and a highly respected citizen, his value in the community being attested by all with whom he came in contact.

J. W. Krieger spent the period of his minority under the parental roof and when he had attained the age of twenty-one years began working as a farm hand for others. After a year, however, he rented eighty acres and cultivated this tract for two years prior to his marriage. He completed his arrangements for having a home of his own by his marriage on the 28th of April, 1880, to Miss Mary T. Pap-