

Ruth and Doris. The former was educated in the State Teachers College at Cedar Falls, Iowa, and at the Waterloo Business College and has recently returned from Camp Wheeler, Georgia, where she was in the Training School for Nurses. The younger daughter is still a high school pupil.

In his political views Mr. Bellamy is a democrat but not an office seeker. He belongs to Bradford Lodge, No. 129, A. F. & A. M., and has attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite in De Molay Consistory No. 1, S. P. R. S., at Clinton, Iowa. He is likewise connected with El Kahir Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Cedar Rapids. His wife is a member of the Episcopal church. Nashua claims this worthy couple as leading and representative citizens and Mr. Bellamy's position in business circles is among the foremost. He is keenly alive to the possibilities of every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of trade and has passed over the pitfalls into which unrestricted progressiveness is so frequently led, thus being enabled to focus his energies in directions where fruition is certain.

G. J. SCHMIDT.

G. J. Schmidt carries on general farming on section 23, Afton township, Howard county, where he has one hundred and thirteen acres of land. He was born in Germany, January 18, 1873, and is a son of John G. and Paulina (Riska) Schmidt. He came to this country when a youth of sixteen years and after landing on the eastern coast made his way at once to Iowa, establishing his home in Alta Vista, Chickasaw county. Two years later his parents also crossed the Atlantic and became residents of Alta Vista. In the interval G. J. Schmidt began work as a farm hand and thus provided for his own support for a period of five years. Later he took up his abode with his parents and assisted his father in farming for five years. On the 17th of July, 1900, he purchased the place upon which he now resides, becoming owner of one hundred and thirteen acres of good land on section 23, Afton township. His labors have since converted it into a rich and productive place and all the evidences of modern progressive farming are there seen. The father of Mr. Schmidt passed away in 1899, but the mother is still living, making her home with a son in Alta Vista. She has reached the age of seventy-six years.

It was on the 30th of August, 1899, that Mr. Schmidt was united in marriage to Miss Abbie Bower, a daughter of Jake and Lenora (Fortune) Bower, the former a native of Scotland, while the latter was born in the state of New York. Mrs. Schmidt was born in Alta Vista, Iowa, and by her marriage has become the mother of five children: Lenora, who has completed her public school course and is living at home; Hazel, who has finished school and is at home; Max, who is attending the public schools; John, three years of age; and Olga, who is but a year old.

Mr. Schmidt and his family attend the Lutheran church. As soon as he had attained his majority he took out his citizenship papers and has ever been a loyal adherent of American interests. During the period of the World war he was a liberal supporter of all the Liberty Loan drives and made generous contribution to the Red Cross. He has served on the school board for four terms and is a stalwart champion of the cause of public education. In fact his aid and cooperation can be counted upon to further any plan or project for the public good and his interest in the general welfare has been manifest in many tangible ways.

WILLIAM G. HERRICK.

William G. Herrick, residing upon his farm which lies within the corporate limits of Fredericksburg, was born in the state of New York, July 23, 1856, a son of James H. and Elizabeth L. (Eldrett) Herrick. The father was a native of Schenectady county, New York, and the mother was born in England, coming to this country with her parents during her girlhood. The family settled in Montgomery county,