

gained their confidence and is generally considered a coming young man, standing upon the threshold of a successful career. His religious faith is that of the Catholic church and he is in that connection fraternally associated with the Knights of Columbus, of which lodge he is a member. He makes his home with his parents. Mr. Poshusta is popular with the young men of Calmar, in which city he has many friends who all esteem him highly for his open-heartedness, his frankness and his genial pleasant manner. If present indications do not deceive, a successful career may be prophesied for him—a career which will carry his name to prominence in Winneshiek county.

#### WILLIAM HENRY EMMONS, M. D.

The name of Dr. William Henry Emmons has come to be regarded as synonymous with business development and progress in Winneshiek county, for he is not only a successful and able physician but he is also president of the Burr Oak Savings Bank, president of the Burr Oak Mercantile Company and manager of the Silver Creek Creamery Company of Burr Oak. He thus figures prominently in business circles and throughout his entire life has directed his efforts where mature judgment and sound discrimination have led the way.

Dr. Emmons was born in Oneonta, New York, December 26, 1868, and is a son of Theodore P. and Mary (Martin) Emmons, the former a native of New York, the latter of Bangor, Maine. Their marriage, however, occurred in Waverly, Iowa, and from there they removed to New York, where they resided for a number of years. Later they returned to Waverly and from there went to Sumner, Iowa, where the father's death occurred in July, 1909, when he was sixty-nine years of age. He and his wife became the parents of two children: Lillian, the wife of D. S. Cast, of Waterloo, Iowa; and Dr. William Henry, of this review.

Dr. William Henry Emmons was five years of age when his parents removed to Iowa, and he acquired his early education in the public schools of Waverly and Sumner. He afterward attended the Upper Iowa University at Fayette for three years and then studied medicine for one year at Waverly. Having determined upon the practice of this profession, he went to Chicago and entered Rush Medical College, spending his winters in that institution and his summers in the Northwestern freight depot, where he had obtained employment. He was graduated with the degree of M. D. March 29, 1892. In the same year he settled at Westgate, Iowa, and after eight months removed to Elma, where he took charge of the practice of another physician. He came to Burr Oak September 20, 1893, and here he has since remained in active practice. He did not regard his professional education completed when he finished his course in medical college, but has always remained a student of the principles of medical science and has kept in close touch with the most advanced professional thought. He is very careful in the diagnosis of cases and his ability is demonstrated in a large and representative practice.

Aside from his professional interests Dr. Emmons has figured prominently in business circles of this vicinity and has now important connections along this line. Since 1911 he has been president of the Burr Oak Savings Bank, and in