

three years, when he was taken sick and died at Port Hudson. His wife survived him for many years, passing away in February, 1910.

Frank M. Hughes was reared under the parental roof and early guided by his mother along the path of industry and honesty, receiving his education in the public schools and at Breckenridge Institute. Having reached his majority, he engaged in the livery business, conducting an establishment of this kind for about one year, at the end of which period he went to Montana, where he became connected with Bates, Corey & Company, wholesale grocers, as shipping clerk, remaining in that state for about nine years. He then returned to Decorah and was for two years connected with a restaurant, at the end of which time, in 1901, he was elected to the office of city clerk, in which capacity he has served ever since, being continued in office by reelection. His uninterrupted record speaks for itself as regards his ability and fidelity in office and there is no city or county officer residing in Decorah who is more popular than Frank M. Hughes. Mr. Hughes owns a handsome home at No. 310 West Broadway, where his sister Louise presides over his household. He has also another sister, Ada, who is the wife of Chauncy Ammon, residing at Estherville, Iowa, and a twin brother, Fred, making his home in Tennessee.

Mr. Hughes is affiliated with the republican party and his religious adherence is given to the Unitarian church. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, in which he is popular and highly appreciated, and for the past seven years has served in the capacity of secretary of the local lodge. A man pleasant of manner, genial, kind-hearted and of distinct social qualities, Mr. Hughes is liked wherever known and one of those whom everybody considers it an honor to call friend.

#### LUDVIG WINGER.

Ludvig Winger, a native son of Winneshiek county and today one of the most prosperous and energetic farmers of Springfield township, where he owns and operates a fine property of one hundred and fifty-three acres, was born March 8, 1879. He is a son of Lars and Gertrude (Qualley) Winger, natives of Norway, the former having come to America in 1864, locating in Winneshiek county. For about three years thereafter he worked as a farm laborer and then purchased land in Decorah township which he improved and operated for a similar period of time, selling it finally and going to Calmar, where he worked at the shoemaker's trade which he had learned in Norway. After residing in that city for two years he came to Springfield township and bought seventy acres on section 8, which he developed into a profitable and valuable agricultural property upon which he continued to reside until his death, in 1894. His wife survives him and is living upon the homestead.

Ludvig Winger was reared and educated in Springfield township, attending the district school and afterward the Breckenridge Institute at Decorah. He remained at home until he had attained his majority and then went to Decorah, where he turned his attention to the restaurant and bakery business, conducting a large and profitable enterprise of this character for seven years thereafter.