

engaged in his native country as well as after coming to this country in 1870, when he made his home in Conover, Winneshiek county. He died there in 1888, and his wife, surviving but a few years, was called to the home beyond in 1893.

Mr. and Mrs. Kubesh have become the parents of five children: Louise; Edward; George, who departed this life in 1897; Bessie and Bertha.

In politics Mr. Kubesh is a democrat and on that ticket has been elected to the office of township trustee, while he has also served as road supervisor and for many years has been a member of the school board. He is a communicant of the Catholic church and fraternally is connected with the Modern Woodmen of America. He has always been an industrious, hard-working man, and while busily engaged with his own private business affairs, safeguards each and every interest entrusted to him by the public.

GILBERT H. VICK.

When news of the death of Gilbert H. Vick was announced on the 20th of July, 1909, it caused deep regret among not only his relatives but his many friends, with whom he had lived and labored for more than four decades. He was a native of Norway, born August 14, 1851, a son of Haldor and Mary (Folken) Vick, who were likewise natives of that country. The parents emigrated with their family to the new world in 1866, establishing their home in Winneshiek county, having at that time reached an advanced age.

Gilbert H. Vick, whose name introduces this review, was a youth of fifteen years at the time of the emigration to Iowa, and owing to the advanced years of his parents, he and his brother began life independently. They engaged in farming and as time passed and they prospered in their undertakings, Gilbert Vick was enabled to purchase one hundred and sixty acres on section 33, Madison township. He became very successful in his business affairs and was the owner of one of the most profitable farms of the county. He improved the place with substantial buildings and worked diligently from year to year in the cultivation of his fields, so that at his death he left to his family a splendid property. He passed away July 20, 1909, at a comparatively early age, being but fifty-eight years old at the time of his demise.

It was on the 21st of March, 1888, that Mr. Vick was united in marriage to Miss Rachel Granum, a daughter of Andrew and Mary (Brager) Granum, both of whom were natives of Norway. The father was a farmer by occupation, spending his entire life in his native country, passing away in 1883. The mother still survives and is living there at the advanced age of eighty-five years.

Unto Mr. and Mrs. Vick have been born nine children of whom eight survive, namely: Helen Marie, who is twenty-four years of age; Albert, the second of the name, who has just reached his majority; Oscar, a youth of eighteen; Helmer, who has reached the age of sixteen; John Adolph, a lad of fourteen; and Gerhard M., Richard L. and Laurence M., aged respectively twelve, nine and five years. Albert, first of the name, passed away September 20, 1890. The widow