

tion are among his strong characteristics and have been leading features in winning for him his success.

In 1884 Mr. Graves was united in marriage to Miss Jane Thune, who was born in Winneshiek county, January 9, 1860, and has always resided within its borders. Her parents, Thomas and Sarah (Garden) Thune, were natives of Norway, came to this county in 1852, were married here and remained residents of the county until called to their final rest, the father devoting his entire life to general agricultural pursuits. He died in 1874 at the age of forty-five years and for two decades was survived by his wife, who passed away in 1894 at the age of sixty-one years. In their family were eight children: Holver, now living in Ada, Minnesota; Mrs. Graves; Edwin S., of Decorah; George, a resident of Audubon, Minnesota; Mary, living in Glenwood township; Alfred, of Pleasant township; Oscar, on the old home farm in Glenwood township; and Andrew, who died at the age of five years. Mr. and Mrs. Graves have become the parents of seven children: Lawrence, who owns and cultivates a claim in South Dakota; Beulah, the wife of Lyman Netteberg, of Lockhart, Minnesota; Oscar, who is on a claim in Harding county, South Dakota; Sylvan, on a claim in Harding county, South Dakota; Melvin and Kenniston, at home; and Jesse, who died at the age of one year.

Iowa was in the front rank of the states which gave strong support to the progressive party, showing that it has a class of citizens who are thinking men and who will no longer be bound by party ties—men who feel that in political affairs as well as in business continuous advancement should be made. Among this class is Mr. Graves, who, formerly voting with the republican party, is now a progressive. He has filled several local offices in acceptable manner, serving as township trustee, justice of the peace and school director. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Decorah and his life has been in harmony with his profession, showing him to be a man of sterling principles.

#### PERRY KENYON.

Perry Kenyon, a progressive and practical farmer of Hesper township, owning one hundred acres of the family homestead on section 27, was born upon this farm March 8, 1864. He is a son of Oliver and Levina (Hazel) Kenyon, the former a native of New York state, born February 10, 1822. He there resided with his grandfather until he was ten years of age and then removed to Ohio, where his marriage occurred in 1845. His wife was born in Pennsylvania, August 11, 1824, and removed to Ohio with her parents. She came with her husband to Iowa in July, 1855, and they spent the remainder of their lives upon their farm in Winneshiek county, the father dying in October, 1898, and the mother August 29, 1908. They became the parents of eight children: Ann, the widow of Ira Reed, of Hesper township; Newton, also a resident of Hesper township; Henry, of the same locality; Emma, who married Clark Fredenburg of Canoe township; Sarah, who married James Smalley, of Hesper township; Amanda, who became the wife of Ed Watts; Perry, of this review; and Rosa, who married Nick Richert, of Hesper township.