

as road supervisor. His religious faith is that of the Lutheran church and he has ever been active to help in the spread of his religion and to support allied societies and charitable institutions. He is highly respected by all who know him and the confidence which he enjoys is well bestowed upon him, for he is a man of the highest qualities of mind and character, and there has never been a shadow of a doubt as to the righteousness or sincerity of purpose of his actions.

#### ANDREW P. ANDERSON.

Andrew P. Anderson, although a native of Norway, has been a resident of the United States since 1851, when his parents located in Illinois. A few years later he was brought by them to Sumner township, Winneshiek county, and here he has ever since made his home. He now owns a valuable farm of one hundred and seventy acres, one hundred and sixty of which are under cultivation and highly improved. A modern two-story house greatly enhances the value of the property and adds to its prosperous appearance. Mr. Anderson was born in Norway, August 24, 1849, and is a son of Peter and Augusta (Olson) Anderson, natives of that country. The parents came to America in 1851 in order to profit by the opportunities which are held out on this side of the Atlantic to those who are willing to work. They located in Illinois, which state they made their home for three years before removing to Sumner township, Winneshiek county, where the father died in September, 1866. The mother survives and makes her home with the subject of this review, being now in her eighty-fifth year. During all of his life the father followed agricultural pursuits. In their family were nine children, of whom Andrew P. was the oldest. The others were, Ole, Louis, Betsy, Martin, Annie, Andrus, Annie and Citona, all deceased.

Andrew P. Anderson secured his education in Winneshiek county, having come here before he was of school age. He subsequently decided upon an agricultural career and engaged in that line. When he was twenty-four years of age he came to his present farm on section 3, Sumner township, buying sixty acres at that time. As his means have increased he has subsequently added thereto and now holds title to one hundred and seventy acres, one hundred and sixty of which are under a high state of cultivation. He has a most conveniently appointed house, modern and up-to-date in every particular, substantially constructed barns, sheds and outhouses and has installed up-to-date equipment in order to facilitate the labor upon the place and receive the highest possible returns. He engages in general farming and stock-raising, following scientific and approved methods in obtaining results.

On January 25, 1875, Mr. Anderson was united in marriage to Miss Ellen Berdahl and to this union were born eleven children: Peter, of South Dakota; Anna, the wife of John Albertson, of Sumner township; Emily and Mary, deceased; Emily, the wife of C. T. Trytten, of Ridgeway, Iowa; Iver, of Sumner township; Carl, deceased; Tilda, who married H. M. Halverson, of Lincoln township; Minnie Berdina, deceased; and Albert and Lena, at home.