

Mr. Anderson is a republican and takes a laudable interest in the public life of the township. In the primaries of 1910 he was a candidate for county recorder and he has also held several school and road offices. His religion is that of the Lutheran church, his membership being in the Highland township organization. He has done much for Winneshiek county toward promoting the progress of agriculture and while he has won individual success has been a force for good in his locality. He enjoys the high respect and esteem of all who know him, the sterling traits of his character having won for him many friends. Not only has he been an interested witness of the changes that have occurred in the onward march of civilization but he has been a helpful and cooperant factor in bringing about the general advancement.

ABRAM LAMBERT.

Among the most respected and valued residents of Winneshiek county is numbered Abram Lambert, who for more than fifty-seven years has resided on the farm he now occupies on section 34, Bloomfield township. This has covered the period of the state's greatest growth and progress and in the work of general improvement he has borne his full share as the years have gone by. He came to Winneshiek county in 1856 and his life since that time has been busy, active and useful, his farm being today visible evidence of his thrift and economy. He was born in Madison county, Indiana, on the 21st of March, 1833, and is a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Smith) Lambert, natives of Pennsylvania and of old Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry. The father died when the subject of this review was only a year and a half old and his wife survived him for many years, passing away at the age of eighty-four. To their union were born four children: Polly, the widow of Abram Riggs, of Castalia; Henry, deceased; Abram, of this review; and Samuel, who has passed away.

Abram Lambert spent his childhood in Indiana, acquiring his education in the district schools, and he there remained until he was twenty-three years of age, at which time he came to Winneshiek county, settling on a farm in Bloomfield township, on section 34. This was in 1856 and since that time he has made his home upon this property, watching the section develop from a frontier region into an important and populous farming country. The years have brought him success, prominence and a substantial fortune, for he has directed his energies along useful and practical lines and guided them always by sound business judgment. He today owns two hundred and forty acres, well improved and developed, and upon this he has carried on general farming and stock-raising for fifty-seven years, enjoying the distinction of being the only man in the county to reside upon one property for so long a period. His business interests are carefully and capably conducted and his present success rewards his own well directed and persistent industry.

On the 21st of October, 1858, Mr. Lambert was united in marriage to Miss Rhoda A. Cook, a daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Surran) Cook, natives of Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Lambert became the parents of the following children: Wilber F. a resident of Bloomfield township; Oren, of Oregon; Savina and