

dale, Pa.; graduated from Notre Dame with degree of LL. B.; settled in Hastings, October 20, 1879, and engaged in the practice of law; served on the board of education and introduced the resolution providing for the erection of the present beautiful High school building; married March 20, 1869, to Martha Crandall, at Coldwater, Mich.; has six children, Mrs. Fred Goble, John C., Michael, Jr., W. B., Gilmore H. and Mrs. Alvin Murray.

JAMES C. KAY—Born at Huddersfield, England, June 23, 1826; settled in Hastings in February, 1882, engaging in the livery and real estate business; was supervisor two terms; married September 19, 1854, to Caroline Burgess, at New Haven, Conn.; has seven children living; is now engaged in the real estate business.

CHARLES KOHL—Born in Hossphlure, Germany, March 25, 1848; came to Hastings in June, 1872, three months before the town was laid out, and when there was only one store at this place; was married on December 14, 1878, to Miss Katherine Engel, in Hastings; has six children, Edward, George, Lawrence, Carl, Katherine and Adam.

EZRA LANGEVIN—Born in Canada, August 8, 1842; settled in Hastings May 28, 1878, engaging in the grocery business with Charles Plamondon; was later with the firm of Cushing & Gauvreau; served six years as member of the council, and three years as member of the school board; married October 6, 1879, to Octavia Guilmette, at Hastings; has seven children, Arthur, Victor, Agnes, Florence, Beatrice, Herbert, and Genevieve, all born in Hastings.

ISAAC LeDIOYT—Born in Orange county, N. Y., February 1, 1833; came to Hastings December 26, 1876, as manager for C. N. Paine & Co., owners of the Badger Lumber yard; was deputy county clerk for four years; has been engaged in the newspaper business and has always given his best thought and energy to movements for the benefit of the town; was married August 24, 1874, to Zadie Allen, at Syracuse, Neb.; has five children, Mildred S., Willard S., Zadie, Mabel and Isaac, Jr.

WILLIAM M. LOWMAN—Born in Tonlon, Ill.; settled in Hastings in 1878; engaged in the real estate business with his father, Davis Lowman, under the firm name of D. Lowman & Son, on January 1, 1879; succeeded the firm of D. Lowman & Son on January 1, 1886; served as supervisor in 1887; was married in 1881 to Florence M. Garratt, at Sterling, Ill.; has two

children living, Mrs. Vera G. McCleery, and Wm. M., Jr.; has been engaged in the real estate business since 1879; is president of the Bank of Commerce.

DR. JOHN N. LYMAN—Born in Lorraine, N. Y., April 3, 1838; was surgeon in the war of the rebellion and practised medicine for several years afterwards in New York state; settled in Hastings in December, 1877; has been engaged in the drug business, farming and stock raising; discontinued farming about five years ago, and has now retired from active business; was county treasurer from 1895 to 1900, state senator session of 1901, and has served as trustee of the Carnegie library; was married in May, 1862, to Frances M. Meacham, at Pulaski, N. Y.; has four children, Frances L., Flora., Silas S., and John W.

WILLIAM McGRATH—Born in Morrow, O., February 27, 1834; settled in Hastings September 1, 1877; city weighmaster since March 14, 1882, and has served the city longer than any other man; married in 1857 to Mary Jane Jacobs, at Decatur, Ill.; has five children, J. H., C. E., I. W., Mrs. Lucy Black and Mrs. Nellie Ligget.

ROBERT R. MORLEDGE—Born in Madison, Ind., July 16, 1840; settled in Hastings October 1, 1874; engaging in the mercantile business in partnership with J. S. McIntyre, and afterwards with James McWade, until 1886, when the firm sold to A. J. Unna; was justice of the peace from 1888 to 1895; when he resigned, and was elected again in 1900 and has held the office since that time; married October 13, 1863, to Phoebe J. McMullen, at Clarinda, Ia.; has two children living, William B., born at Clarinda, and Ina, born in Hastings.

De WITT PALMER—Born at New Hartford, N. Y., October 31, 1846; settled in Hastings December 25, 1884, and engaged in farming and dairying, continuing until the fall of 1886, at which time he had platted and placed on sale Prospect Park addition; in 1886 engaged in the real estate business with L. A. Royce; also associated with Isaiah Pardee in the drug business under the name of Palmer & Pardee; married October 22, 1874, to Sarah M. Hart, at New Hartford, N. Y.; has five children, De Witt H., Arthur C., Julia M., Walter G., Asa M., all born in New Hartford; is now engaged in the real estate business.

ALEXANDER PICKENS—Born in Stewarton, Ayresshire, Scotland, in 1838; came to Hastings from Aurora, Illinois, in September, 1882, and engaged in the dry goods business; mar-

ried in 1862 to Margaret Stevenson, in Stewarton, Scotland; has six children, John W., Robert, Alexander, Mrs. C. W. Schmitz, Mrs. W. J. Hynes, and William.

GEORGE H. PRATT—Born in Collinsville, N. Y., December 7, 1849; settled in Hastings in August, 1872, engaging in the general merchandise business in partnership with C. K. Lawson; joined with Mr. A. L. Clarke in the banking business in 1877 and was cashier of the First National Bank until January 1, 1903; has since been interested in farming and stock dairying; married January 2, 1879, to Harriet Wikoff, Ontario, Ill.; has one child, Harold G., born in 1894.

JOHN M. RAGAN—Born in Benton, Ill., December 25, 1851; studied law in Jacksonville, Ill., and came to Hastings from that place in October 23, 1878; has served as city attorney and county attorney and was six years on the Nebraska Supreme bench.

JOHN REES—Born in Wales, September 7, 1855; settled in Hastings in 1878; was engaged for a time at the tinner's trade under the employe of Forcht Bros.; took up music as a profession in 1880, but prior thereto had been active in musical work; is now a teacher of music; was married May 2, 1878, to Laura Emeny, at Oshkosh, Wis.; has two daughters, May E., and Gertrude, both born in Hastings.

JAMES ROONEY—Born in Ireland, June 7, 1849; settled in Hastings in 1880; engaging in the hotel business; has been a carriage builder and carpenter, and is now following the latter occupation; served one term as county supervisor; married in 1872 to Miss Moran in New York City; has six children living, Mary Anne, Ellen, John, Agnes, Elizabeth and Rosey.

ROBERT VINTON SHOCKEY—Born in Ohio, March 24, 1841; settled in Hastings in April, 1873, during the progress of the Easter storm, and engaged in the hardware business with James E. Hutchinson; in May, 1873, erected a home on lots where the Masonic Temple now stands; was a member of the county board of supervisors sixteen years; was member of city council three years, and mayor one year; married in 1862 to Rebecca Akers, at Marengo, Ia.; has four children living, William P. and George C., born in Iowa, and Samuel A. and Margaret M., born in Adams county; is the only person who lives on his original homestead in or near the city, except Samuel Alexander.

CHARLES WILLIAM STALEY—Born at Richmond, Ind., February 16, 1849; settled in Hastings November 26, 1877; was engaged in the confectionery business alone, and later in partnership with his brother, O. N. Staley, until 1879, when he resumed work at his former trade, sign and carriage painting, at which he is still engaged; married in 1880 to Josie Perfect, at Beloit, Kas.; has two children living, May Viola, born in Hastings, and William A., born in Jewell City, Kas.

CHARLES L. STONE—Settled in Hastings in September, 1876, and engaged in the farm machinery business in partnership with Henry Shedd; is now in the real estate business; served three terms as councilman.

JAMES WALLING—Born in Holland, June 2, 1842; settled in Hastings June 1, 1879, engaging in the flour business; lived for a few years at Cozad, Nebr.; where he engaged in the banking business; elected to the Nebraska legislature in 1898; married June 18, 1879, to Rachel Reed, at Lincoln; has two children, Edith M. and Beatrice A., both born in Hastings; has owned the residence, corner of Second street and Bellevue avenue, since 1884; is now engaged in the coal business.

RAINARD B. WAHLQUIST—Born in Sweden, April 13, 1860; settled in Hastings in 1880 and found employment as printer; started a newspaper at Minden in February, 1884, and one at McCook in 1885, and, with his brother, Charles B. Wahlquist, bought the Adams County Democrat in March, 1888, which they still conduct; was postmaster of Hastings from 1894 to 1897; married March 1, 1893, to Miss Laura B. Dilley, at Hastings.

JOSEPH C. WILLIAMS—Born in Detroit, Mich., October 10, 1854; settled in Hastings May 16, 1878, engaging in carpentering; has been engaged in the tobacco business since 1894; was chief of police from 1882 to 1887, and chief of fire department for eleven years from 1881; married November 30, 1880, to Minnie M. Campbell at Hastings; has one child, Mrs. A. H. Ahline.

JACOB WOOSTER—Born in Pennsylvania, September 14, 1841; settled in Hastings in 1876, and engaged in blacksmithing; retired from business in 1904; has for nine years been a member of the county board of supervisors; was member of school board for eleven years from 1880; member of city council in

1882-3; was married in April, 1864, to Mary G. Wolford, in Ohio.

GEORGE F. WORK—Born in Harrison County, O., March 1, 1839; settled in Hastings, September 7, 1874, and engaged in the real estate business in partnership with C. B. Nelson; has been in land, insurance and law business continuously since that time; has been member of city council and school board and has served as police judge, justice of the peace and county judge; served in the Fifth Iowa infantry from July, 1861, to October, 1863, when he was commissioned to enlist a company for the First Iowa colored infantry, serving as captain until mustered out at the close of the war, during the latter part of the time being in command of the regiment; married October 20, 1853, to Maggie E. Sturgeon, in Jasper county, Iowa; has five children, Charles L., Florence B., George W., Roy S., and Edna E., the latter two being born in Hastings; is now in charge of the farm department of the Nebraska Loan & Trust Co., for James N. Clarke, receiver.

ANDREAS VEITH—Born in Germany, April 10, 1844; settled in Hastings in 1874, and engaged in the furniture business; opened a general merchandise store in Belvidere in 1892, but sold out the following year; was married in 1873, to Miss M. F. Meinerts, in Lancaster County, Nebr., who died in 1901; has five children, George F., Charles A., Amelia C., and Clara C., born at Hastings, and Arthur E., born at Belvidere.

JORDAN L. WRIGHT—Born in Missouri, February 1, 1849; settled in Hastings October 7, 1876; is now proprietor of a barber shop, and has been engaged in that occupation since coming to Hastings; married 1882 to Evalina Sherwood; has three children living, Walter, Clyde and Agnes.

Among the Business Houses

CURTIS L. ALEXANDER—Proprietor, Hastings Bus and Transfer Co.; born in Leesville, Ind., August 23, 1847; settled in Hastings June 4, 1873, and engaged in the horse and livery business; married in 1871 to Miss Harriet A. Caldwell, in Wayne county, Ia.; has three children, Harl M., Marguerite Abigail. Bus and transfer barn is at 412 West First street.

ADAMS COUNTY ABSTRACT CO.—Incorporated by A. H. Cramer, M. W. Burgess, George H. Pratt and Miss L. M. Nellis, March 1, 1906, with a capital of \$6,000. A. H. Cramer is president and Miss Nellis secretary and treasurer. This company succeeded A. H. Cramer, who had been in the abstract business since 1874. The office is 601 West Second street.

N. W. BACON, Dealer in Grain and Coal—The business was established October 8, 1888. Office is at the crossing of Hastings avenue and the Missouri Pacific railway.

BARR LUMBER CO.—Was established March 1, 1904, by O. H. Barr and C. G. Lane. The company deals in lumber, sashes, doors, etc., and branch yards are maintained at Fairfield and Hansen. Seven persons are employed in the Hastings office and yards. Otis H. Barr is president and manager. Office and yards are at 215 South Denver avenue.

BOSTWICK HOTEL—J. D. Mines, proprietor, succeeded W. H. Dillon September 1, 1904. Thirty persons are employed. The Bostwick hotel is the leading \$2.00 a day hotel in the city. It is located at 500-506 West Second street.

CLARKE-BUCHANAN COMPANY—Organized in October, 1903, and succeeded to the business of the Nebraska Loan & Company; J. N. Clarke is president, W. F. Buchanan treasurer, and Fred Pease secretary.

BENNETT CLOYD, Groceries—Has been established in the grocery business since 1889. The store is at 224 South Hastings avenue.

N. F. DAMRON—Conducts a carriage repository at 713 West First street. The stock carried averages about \$10,000. Mr. Damron has sustained heavy loss by fire on three different occasions since locating in Hastings.

DAY SHOE CO.—This firm, which is comprised of F. C. Day and August M. Berg, conducts an exclusive shoe business. The store was established in 1891 by Kirby & Day. Seven persons are now employed. The store, which is one of the largest exclusive shoe stores in the state, is at 708 West Second street.

G. H. EDGERTON—Deals in flour, feed, hay and coal. The business was established in 1895. The store is at 214 North Lincoln avenue.

EMRICK MFG. CO.—The business was established by Frank C. and Charles E. Emrick March 1, 1904, with an investment of

about \$4,000. The firm operates a machine shop, foundry and boiler shop. The equipment is now valued at about \$7,000. The foundry and shops are located at 117-123 South Lincoln avenue.

E. G. FISHER, Confectionery and Ice Cream—Mr. Fisher established the business at his present location August 31, 1903, with a stock valued at not more than \$1,500, which he has increased to \$6,500. He has nine employes, and besides manufacturing confectionery is a wholesale dealer in ice cream, shipping to numerous points throughout the southwestern part of Nebraska. The store and factory are at 604 West Second street.

GASTON MUSIC CO.—This firm is successor to the Olney-Gaston Music Co., which bought the business of H. A. Blenkins in October, 1904. The company deals in pianos, musical instruments and sheet music. R. D. Gaston is proprietor. Nine persons are employed. The store is at 514-516 West Second street.

HASTINGS BRICK CO.—Polenski Bros. & Co., proprietors. One-half mile south of city.

HASTINGS BRICK WORKS—Polenski, Schellak & Co., proprietors. Elm avenue and Northwestern tracks.

THE HASTINGS BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION—Was organized in June, 1896. The company includes about 325 stockholders and has \$95,000 invested in loans.

HASTINGS CANNING CO.—Was established January 5, 1904, entirely by Hastings capital, the original investment being about \$15,000. The business is that of canning vegetables, and the investment now is about \$25,000. The officers of the company are: S. S. Snyder, president; F. L. Pease, vice-president; Ezra Langevin, secretary and manager; L. J. Siekman, treasurer. The factory is between First and Second streets, near the St. Joe & Grand Island railway and is the only institution of its kind in the city.

HASTINGS IMPLEMENT CO.—The business was established in 1877 by Crans & Hayzlett, with an investment of about \$1,000. H. C. Hansen is now proprietor. The company deals in agricultural implements and coal. The value of the stock is about \$20,000. Office and warehouse are at 118-124 South Hastings avenue.

HOWARD'S JEWELRY STORE—Was established originally in 1879 by J. R. Hursh, and was purchased by Howard & Worth in 1888. S. E. Howard is now manager. The stock car-

ried consists of watches, clocks, jewelry and silverware. Five persons are employed. The store is located a 623 West Second street.

HASTINGS LIGHT & HEAT CO.—Business was established in the 80's and the stock is now owned in Hastings and Portland, Me. Under the management of A. W. Borden, who took charge of the plant in the spring of 1903, the output has doubled and now averages 14,000,000 cubic feet per year. Twelve persons are employed. Rates have recently been voluntarily reduced 35 per cent. The company's only competition in the illuminating business is the municipal electric light plant.

HASTINGS MILLING COMPANY—Established in 1895 for the manufacture of flour and feed. The original investment was about \$6,000 but the business now represents a total of \$35,000. The officers are C. E. Dinsmore, president; E. P. Hedge, vice-president; J. S. Hamilton, secretary; J. S. Hedge, treasurer. The mill is located at the southeast corner of Denver avenue and South street, and is the only institution of its kind in the city.

HASTINGS PRESSED BRICK CO.—C. B. Tyler, president; A. H. Farrens, vice president and manager; A. L. Clarke, secretary and treasurer. South Bellevue avenue.

HAYNES BROS., Wall Paper, Paint and Glass.—The business now conducted by this firm was established in the early 80's by A. S. Yetter, who was later succeeded by W. L. Yetter. About fifteen persons are employed. The firm consists of Mulford M. Haynes, S. Addison Haynes and Ethel P. Haynes. The store is located at 811 West Second street.

C. W. JACOBS—Deals in bicycles, talking machines and sporting goods, and does general repair work. The business was established May 27, 1899. Store is at 705 West First street.

KERR-KIPP CO., Wholesale Groceries—Established in 1901 by the Crowley-VanSickle Company. The business is now owned by Wm. Kerr and C. H. Kipp. House is located at 305 West Second street.

LAWSON HARDWARE CO.—The firm consists of C. K. Lawson and sons, E. G. Lawson and A. A. Lawson. The business as now conducted was established in 1898, with an investment of \$10,000, which has been increased to \$12,000. The firm deals in hardware, sporting goods, field and garden seeds. C. K.