James C. Foster.

A visitor to Mr. Foster's cozy ranch home, a view of which is shown above, will long retain a pleasant recollection of Mr. Foster and his interesting family. He is a native of Pennsylvania and March 5, 1848, is the date of his birth. For 30 years Mr. Foster resided among the pines of that mountainous state, during which time he was mostly engaged in rafting and logging on the Susquehanna river. In this line of business he was an expert. In March, '64, he enlisted in the union cause and served to the close of the war in the First Batallion, 1st infantry volunteers, and also in the 47th infantry volunteers, taking part in many hard-fought skirmishes. When the war ended Mr. Foster returned to Pennsylvania and worked on a farm for four years. Following this he spent four years more farming his own land, after which he removed to western Nebraska and took up a claim twelve miles north of his

present location, which he homestead-

ed and tree-claimed fifteen years

ago. He owns 480 acres, but controls

nearly 8,000 acres, upon which he

feeds 350 head of high-bred Herefords

and Shorthorns and 40 head of

blooded horses. Upon the prem-

ises are two wind-mills, water

tanks, out-houses, barns, ample cor-

rals, good wells and other conveniences. A comfortable, cozy

J. C. Foster and Family.

is worthy of emulation. The family



Noon Hour on C. L. Hashman's Ranch.

horses roam and feed on the nutritious grasses of his vast land houings, while great corrals, barns, outhouses and other conveniences abound all about the place. Mr. Green was born in Vermont in 1861, and for 23

birth. He then went to lowa and

for a while worked at carpen-

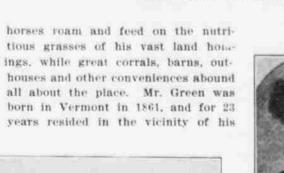
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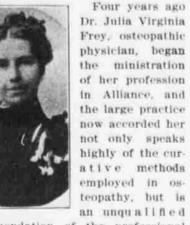
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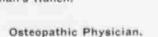
which he has since resided. To-day

he is considered one of the most sub-





recommendation of the professional ability of the doctor herself. Dr. Frey was born in Logan, O., but accompanied her parents to Adair county. Mo., at an early age, and received her first intellectual instruction in the public schools of that county. Later she graduated from the high school at Trenton, Mo., and then took a two-year course of studies in the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo., graduating with honors from that learned institution. The Freys for generations back are practicing physicians, and the doctor's chosen profession is akin to hereditary. Dr. Frey's remunerative practice speaks louder than words the success of osteopathy.





beneficial results in the year 1885. Not only did he recover his health, but he prospered in other ways. Mr. Gaddis filed on a homestead three and one-half miles southwest of Hemingford in the fall of 1885, settling thereon the following spring. After a residence of several years thereon, where he prospered, a change was made to the present location. This ranch contains 3,160 acres of valuable deeded land, and is stocked with 250 head of Durham cattle and a fine bunch of horses. While prospering in a financial way, Mr. Gaddis was called upon to suffer a loss most painful in being separated from his helpmate, who died March 30, 1901. He was united in marriage to this estimable lady, Miss Mary E. Andrews, in 1883. To them were born three children, two of whom preceded their mother to the immortal world. One son died in 1887 at the age of three and one-half years. and another boy of the same age departed this life in 1894. While deprived of these jewels of his household Mr. Gaddis realizes that such is life and that all must sooner or later respond to the call of the invisible power which holds the destiny in the palm of his omnipotent hand. With a spirit possessed by the true man,

the subject of this sketch pushed on

in life's duties, ever remembering that

Geo. D. Gaddis.

atmosphere of western Nebraska with

The accom-

panying illustra-

tion is a view of the beautiful

ranch home of

Mr. and Mrs.

George D. Gaddis.

located four

miles south of Al-

liance. Mr. Gad-

dis was born in

McLean County.

III., May 2, 1859.

Owing to 111

health he sought

the invigorating

The Geo. D. Gaddis Ranch.

he spent eighteen months selling and \$1,000,000, but that this is only a sr dealing in farm implements, and then representation of what will be p re-engaged in the same business at Edgely, N. D., for two years more, after which he bought grain at Kulin,

when the industry is developed.

In substantiation of this, Secreti S. C. Bassett, of the Nebraska Dal N. D., for two years. Mr. Fritschel man's Association, showed, at the



E. Boyer's Dairy Farm.

then located in Clay county, Neb., and nual meeting in January, that whe engaged in carpenter work. Two as there were only two milch cows years ago he came to Alliance, and branched out as carpenter and contractor, which he has successfully followed since then.

Attorney W. G. Simonson.



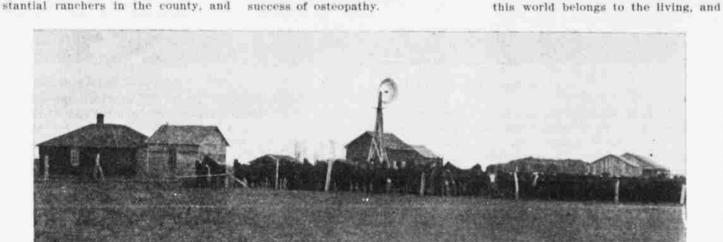
Born and educated in Michigan where he, in time. took collegiate degrees, after which he was with Harper Brothers, of New York, in their Educational and Legal departments for five years. He came to Alliance before

erected the first frame building on the original town site and has resided here continuously until a month ago, when he removed to Denver to practice his profession of law. While actively and successfully engaged in the law practice, he identified himself with many business enterprises. He was always to the front in any matter to promote the welfare of the town. He is still interested in the future of Alliance, and owns considerable property here.

the square mile in Nebraska in 18 there are now 16 to the square mi with a total value of \$37,000,000 a with production aggregating \$20,06 000 during 1903. The Burlingt Route has published the Haecker ar cle, with the Bassett figures, pamphlet form, this week, and v circulate hundreds of copies in t East. We are informed that any N braskan can have copies sent eastern friends by sending the names and addresses to J. France the general passenger agent at Omal The pamphlet contains also a list creamery stations, and it is no worthy that there are now 550, compared with 282 in January, 1903.

Edward McConnell.

Mr. McConnell is the proprietor the lot sale, and the Lakeside hotel, at Lakeside, and good, old, jolly host he is, too. came to Nebraska last fall, and s after his arrival took charge of t above named hotel. Forty-three year ago he arrived on earth at Belfas Ireland. At the age of 14 he went England and four years later can to America and located at Springfiel O., entering the employ of the Char pion machine shops as moulder, trade he had learned in England. S months later he became a dry good commercial traveler, which he fo



T. A. Green's Ranch.

E. H. Boyd.

sions since settling here. Mr. Green is a man of integrity and honor, his word being considered as good as a secured note.

has accumulated most all his posses-

J. C. Berry.

Branding a "Youngster."

six-room residence, surrounded by tall One of the most modern and best shade trees, is a feature of the ranch equipped ranches in this section of not to be overlooked, and the happy the country can be found fifteen miles home life of Mr. Foster and family east of Alliance, and is the home and property of J. C. Berry. It consists consists of himself and wife and five of 2,500 acres of deeded land, 700 of children, the oldest daughter, who is which is devoted to hay. It is stocknot included, being the wife of Edward ed with 500 head of Shorthorn cat-Percheron and Shire breeds. Mr. Berry came to his present location in 1887. He was born in Fairfield county,



this illustration. E. H. Boyd, is a native of the state of Michigan. He is a graduate of the well known college at Ann Arbor, and also took a classical course in Adrian. college. In the former institution he studied

The subject of

five years, completing a successful course of learning. Mr. Boyd located in Alliance in October, 1903, where he has met with commendable success in the pursuit of the legal profession. He was recently appointed local attorney for the B. & M. railway.

B. F. Gilman.



B. F. Gilman is a practiong attorney at Alliance, Neb., and was born near Darlington, Wis. April 24, 1855. He was educated at the State University at Madison, Wis., graduating therefrom in 1878, and after

three years spent in teaching school, took the law course at the same institution, graduating in 1883. He came to Box Butte county in March of 1887, and edited the Box Butte Republican until the first of January. 1888, when he sold out and took up the practice of law. He has held various positions of public trust. He was the first county superintendent of the county and was county attorney from 1893 to 1897. He enjoys an extensive law practice and is at present president of the Alliance Building & Loan association, an institution that has been in existence a little over a year. that has made a phenomenal growth, and is closely identified with the prosperity of the city.

with this noble inspiration, he has won a large circle of friends.

April 2, 1902, Mr. Gaddis again took unto himself a wife in the estimable person of Miss Belle C. Steele, and this happy couple have since resided on the ranch which to-day is known as a most hospitable home, where friends find a pleasant place to visit. This ranch, with its commodious home and other improvements, is an honor to the stock raising section of Nebras-



View of Britton & Parker's Sheep Ranch.

thrift of Mr. and Mrs. Gaddis.

In addition to caring for their stock, this family last year raised 1,000 bushels of corn and several hundred bushels of potatoes, thus proving that there were few idle hours consumed on the well-known Gaddis ranch.

H. E. Fritschel.

There are few building contractors, if any, who have constructed more buildings in Alliance than has Mr. Fritschel, in the same length of time. Mr. Fritschel has resided here but a little more than two years, yet he has in that period done the architectural work of fifty-six buildings, and in each case the owner was amply satisfied with every detail of the work. Mr. Fritschel was born in Roumania in 1869 and resided there for 19 years, the latter four years of which he taught school. He then went to Berlin. Germany, on a four months' visit, In 1889 he came to America and settled in Yankton, S. D., for a short while, thence to Eureka, N. D., where

ka, and it is all due to the energy and They Ought to Know About Our Nebraska Cows.

It would be well for Nebraska if everyone in the East who thinks of coming here or who thinks at all of the dairying industry could be handed a copy of an article on "Dairying in Nebraska." prepared by Prof. A. L. Haecker, of the State Experiment Station, after the victory of the steer "Challenger," which was given his start in life on skimmed milk. The professor believes that the possibilities of Nebraska as a dairying state are almost limitless, and he shows not only that one creamery paid farmers for butter-fat, during 1903, a total of \$1,250,000, and that another paid

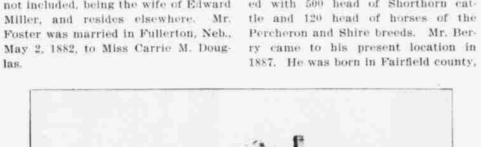
lowed for eight years. The succeed ing 11 years he farmed in Indiana, and came to Nebraska March 27, 1894 Mr. McConnell was united in marri age to Miss Eliza Singleton. One son James, is the issue.

Live not for selfish aims. Live to shed joy on others Thus best shall our own happiness be secured; for no joy is ever given freely forth that does not have quick echo in the giver's own heart.-H. W. Beecher.

The self, harmonized by Union seeth the Self abiding in all beings, all beings in the Self; everywhere he seeth the same.



A Herd of Herefords at Rest on Benton Peer's Ranch.



The Foster Ranch Home.

Thomas A. Green.

equipped and best stocked ranches and of a kindly nature, Mr. Berry rein Box Butte county. A visit to his tains the respect of all who have the ranch will satisfy the most skeptic pleasure of his acquaintance. His marthat Mr. Green understands his busi-riage occurred in 1875 at Chariton, Ia., ness. His ranch holdings constitute to Miss Nebraska B. Wilson, and an 11 quarter sections. One hundred interesting family of five girls and head of Shorthorn and Durham bred one boy have since come to cheer his cattle and 50 head of Shire stock hospitable home.

O., April 7, 1852, and in 1864 moved Mr. Green owns one of the best to Lucas county, Ia. Public spirited



View of the Foster Ranch.