

son are members of the Synod Lutheran church and were among the most active factors in the movement that resulted in the erection of a church of that denomination east of Gary.

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### PETER SANDERS.

The country has many advantages over the city. Likewise, it has its disadvantages—one of the greatest being the lack of opportunity to gain a competence within a reasonable period of time. Many farmers have grown rich through increased valuation of their land; others through carefully husbanding their resources, rigid discipline and economic living and good business ability, oftentimes combined with favorable seasons for their principal products. One of the successful farmers of Felton township, Clay county, is Peter Sanders.

Mr. Sanders was born in Sweden, August 29, 1870. He is a son of Peter and Celia Sanders, both natives of Sweden, where they grew up, married and made their home until 1884, when they came to America, locating at Vasa, Goodhue county, Minnesota, where the father followed the carpenter's trade, which he had learned in the old country when a young man. He and his wife are still living at Vasa, many of the buildings of which town he helped erect during his residence there of over thirty years. Six of the children born to these parents grew to maturity, namely: Peter, Jr., Annie, Matilda, Albertina, John and Alma. Two children died in early life. The parents of these children are members of the Swedish Lutheran church.

Peter Sanders was fourteen years old when his parents brought him to America. He attended the public schools in Sweden, also went to school three months after coming to Vasa, Minnesota. He began working out in Goodhue county as a farm hand, remaining there until 1887, when he came to Moorhead, where he worked in a brick yard for four years. During that period he learned the brick-making business thoroughly, but upon leaving Moorhead he turned his attention to farming, which he has continued ever since, in Clay county, and in Felton township since 1909. He operates a half section near the village of Felton, carrying on general farming and stock raising and during the summer months he also operates a hay bailer.

Mr. Sanders was married in 1891 to Thresa Brandt, a native of Sweden, from which country she came to America with her parents, Frank G. and

Johanna (Peterson) Brandt, when young. She is the only child. Her parents located in Clay county, Minnesota, in 1879. The father died in Moorhead some time ago, but the mother is making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Thresa Sanders.

Six children have been born to Peter and Thresa Sanders, namely: Hilda, Edith, Carl, Fred, Lillian and Alma. Mr. Sanders and family belong to the Swedish Lutheran church. Politically, he is a Republican. He has been a member of the township board since 1914 and was chosen chairman of the board in 1917.

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### ANTON JOHNSON HAUGER.

As everyone knows, methods of farming are changing and we are learning many things that the husbandman of half a century ago did not know, or at least did not attach much attention to. A different system of general agriculture has had to be adopted from that used by the pioneers, for conditions have changed in many respects; even the climate and the soil have changed, to say nothing of markets, methods of transportation for the farmer's products and the laws of supply and demand.

One of the careful and thoughtful farmers of Highland Grove township, Clay county, was the late Anton Johnson Hauger, who was born in Norway, November 24, 1835. He grew to manhood in his native land, attended the common schools and was married there to Karen Christianson, also a native of Norway. They remained in their native land until 1867, when they came to America, by way of Quebec, Canada, proceeding thence to Wisconsin, locating near the town of Boscobel, Grant county, where they spent eight years on a farm. Then they made the long overland journey by team to Clay county, Minnesota, where the father took up a homestead of one hundred and sixty acres in Highland Grove township, which he developed into a good farm, erected suitable buildings and there continued general farming until his death. His wife died at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John E. Carlson, of Highland Grove township, dying while on a visit there. A sketch of Mr. Carlson and family will be found on another page of this work. Mr. Hauger later took up a tree-claim of one hundred and sixty acres just south of his homestead. He was one of the active men of his township. He helped to organize the United Lutheran church at Hitterdal, and was long a member of the official board of the