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David H. King, one of the representative agriculturalist of Reno County, Kansas, was born on May 7, 1849, in Suffolk County, England, and is the son of James and Susan Morley King, also natives of England. James King was a butcher by trade, which business he followed until death in his native country. He was the father of the children whose names follow: Henry, Samuel, Emma, Hannah, Mary, Louise, David, James, George Frederick and Isabella. James and George were twins. David, James and Frederick are the only ones of the family who immigrated to America.

David H. King received his education in his native country and, after six weeks on a sailing vessel, landed in Quebec, Canada, in 1869. The three years following his arrival he spent working for a wholesale firm in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. This same firm sent him to Colorado, on July 2, 1872, as manager of a sheep ranch which they owned and he remained with them in that capacity for nine years. In 1881 he drove sixteen hundred sheep through to this county and has remained here ever since, following the sheep business as a permanent issue. The creamery business has also been a profitable undertaking, seventy-five gallons of milk a day having been sent to Swift & Company at Hutchinson. This business he continued for three years, discontinuing it in 1908.

On September 27, 1880, David H. King was united in marriage to Susan Nation, a native of London, England, and to them have been born three [sic] children, whose names follow: Richard J., born on November 25, 1881, died on June 20, 1882; Charles F., who married Emmie Kettle and now resides on his father's farm; William D., June 12, 1884, who lives at home, and Susan, August 13, 1886, who married Samuel McLaughlin and is the mother of three children, Benjamin, Samuel and Eleanor.

Although David H. King has always been very active in civic and commercial life, he has never aspired to office, but has served his community in the capacity of township treasurer as well as a member of the township school board. As a citizen and man he stands high in the respect of his fellow citizens and numbers many friends among the residents of this section.

David: 5/7/1849 - 11/12/1932



Susan: 7/7/1847 - 1/15/1919

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