

hindrance to securing an education, as he worked his way through his eight years' course entirely by his own exertions, he never having received one penny of help from any one. It was the same, too, with his wife, she having also worked hard for an education, and not having received aid from any, either of her relatives or friends. Since entering on his career as a minister, Mr. Staring has had remarkable success—his pastorates in the Baptist denomination in Illinois, Michigan and Iowa having been attended with the gathering in of many souls.

In writing to the author, Rev. Mr. Staring, with pardonable pride, says :

“One good thing may be truly said of the Starin family, viz.: That they are the freest from vices and reproaches of any family known to the writer; and, to-day, wherever they are known, they are honored, and, in most instances, are zealous workers in various philanthropical reforms and in religious circles. Indeed, our family are making a record of which no Staring, Starring or Starin of the Mohawk Dutch descent need be ashamed. Souls have been, through them, led to a better life, and churches have been built up by their efforts. May many of them enjoy the higher circles of the redeemed in glory!”

On the 1st of April, 1892, he took charge of the Baptist Church at What-Cheer, Iowa where he still resides.

CHILDREN :

421. GEORGE ARTHUR, b. Bureau county, Ill., July 13, 1882.
422. ETTA LIDA, b. Quincy, Mich., Jan. 27, 1884.
423. FRANCIS WAYLAND, b. Ames, Iowa, Sept. 12, 1885.
424. CLARENCE CECIL, b. Rossville, Iowa, Aug. 29, 1887.