The cultivation of his fine homestead of two hundred and ninety acres has for some years engaged the attention of Harlan Macy, who was born on the 30th of January, 1873, in Sugar Creek township, Poweshiek county.

He is a son of Seth and Abigail (Gause) Macy, both natives of Henry county, Indiana, the father having been born on the 24th of November, 1836, and the mother on the 1st of March, 1837. Mr. Macy was educated in the schools of his native state, where he resided until he was twenty years of age, when he migrated with his father to this county. Upon their arrival here they located in Sugar Creek township, where Mr. Macy later purchased a farm, in the cultivation of which he engaged until two years before his death which occurred in 1905. Mrs. Macy still survives and now makes her home with her son Harlan. Mr. Macy voted with the democratic party, to whose principles he was always loyal. Four children were born of their union: Ella, the wife of W. R. Allec. of Sugar Creek township; Elgar C., who is a resident of Lynnville, Iowa; Charles O., living in the same place; and Harlan, our subject.

Harlan Macy pursued his education in the common schools of Lynnville and Oskaloosa, after the completion of which he became identified with agricultural pursuits, thus qualifying himself for the vocation in which he is meeting with such excellent success. When he felt he was fully qualified to manage and satisfactorily and successfully supervise the operation of a farm he purchased his present homestead, which contains two hundred and ninety acres of land. He has made quite extensive improvements upon the place since locating here, and now owns one of the attractive and valuable properties of the township. General farming and stock-raising are his main sources of revenue, both yielding very satisfactory returns under his direction.

On the 31st of March, 1896, Mr. Macy married Miss Louolie Northcutt, who was born in Sugar Creek township, Poweshiek county, Iowa, on the 12th of June, 1876. Mrs. Macy is a daughter of Frank and Elizabeth (Allec) Northcutt, of Lynnville, Iowa, and natives of Jasper county. The former, who has always been connected with agricultural activities is now a ditch contractor and farmer of Jasper county. Politically he votes for the republican candidates and in matters of religion he and his wife affiliate with the Society of Friends. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Macy consists of four sons and a daughter, the order of birth being as follows: Wendell Harlan, who was born on the 16th of January, 1897; Harold Franklin, born on the 10th of August, 1898; Grace Elizabeth, born on the 6th of June, 1901; Seth Herman, whose birth occurred on Christmas, 1905; and Loring Kenneth, born on the 12th of March, 1908.

In politics Mr. Macy always supports the democracy, and has served both as school director and township clerk for several years. He is practical in his methods and progressive in his ideas, thus being able to intelligently adapt new theories to his requirements, which is the great secret of success in any undertaking.
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