John Moore, farmer and stock-raiser, Le Claire, was born near Londonderry, Ireland, March 4, 1813, son of Samuel and Mary (Teas) Moore. They were married in 1810. By this union there were nine children. In 1849 Mr. Moore emigrated to the United States and located on section 19, Le Claire Township, Scott Co., son and daughter coming as early as 1836. The subject of this sketch left Ireland for the United States in 1834 and landed in Philadelphia, where he followed the weaving business for six years. From there went to Pittsburgh and worked as a laborer about a year and a half. Having a sister in that vicinity he thought of settling, but hearing much of the broad prairies of the West he concluded to come and see for himself. Being favorably impressed with the country, he settled on section 19, Le Claire Township, where he has resided since. The first winter was spent in a cabin with his brother-in-law; the following spring he built a log cabin upon his brother's place where he remained six years, and in the mean time made a claim where he now lives. There were but a few neighbors on the prairie, their cabin being the farthest west at the time. He married Mary Stewart Dec. 29, 1836. She was born in Ireland in 1816 and came to the United States in the same vessel with Mr. Moore. The fruit of this marriage was 10 children, five of whom are living, viz.: Samuel D., John P., Rebecca J., Elizabeth, Malinda S. Mr. and Mrs. Moore are members of the Old School Presbyterian church, and were members of the first organization in the township. Has been identified with the county from its infancy and has seen its various changes. He came to the county in limited circumstances, but by hard work and good management has accumulated a fine property and home; has 120 acres of land under a high state of cultivation, valued at $65 per acre; 20 acres of timber land, valued at $75 per acre. His sister Mary, who came to the United States in 1836, died some years later by the bite of a rattlesnake, about 1845.