Mr. Hewerdine's ancestors on his mother's side were among the earliest settlers in America, having landed in Virginia nearly 300 years ago. Later they were in Kentucky with Daniel Boone, and still later generations were among the earliest settlers in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri. Mr. Hewerdine's mother, Catherine Miller, was born in Mercer county, Ohio, Feb. 7, 1832, daughter of Sloan and Mary Miller. She died in 1873.

J. M. Bowler was born in Lee. Maine. July 10. 1838. Educated in common schools. Lee Academy and Westbrook Seminary. Worked on his father's farm, in his store and lumber camps. Taught country school in Lee in 1855 and Falmouth in 1856. Came west in March, 1857. Taught school in Hales Corners and Lynn, Wisconsin, and McGregor, Iowa. Came to St. Anthony Falls, Minnesota, in April, 1858. Worked in Croffut and Clark's printing office. Beginning in December, 1859, taught school several times in Nininger and Grey Cloud. Carried a Torch in the Wide Awakes, and voted for Abraham Lincoln for President in 1860. Enlisted in Company E, First Minn. Vol. Inf., in April, 1861, and was discharged upon the re-organization of the regiment for the three years service. Enlisted as private in Company F, Third Regiment Minnesota, Inf. Vols., Sept. 23, 1861; was promoted to corporal and sergeant, and in October, 1862, was commissioned Second Lieutenant and December 1, 1862, captain of the company and served as such until April 1, 1865; was commissioner Major of 113th U.S.C.T. and was mustered out with the regiment April 9, 1866. Was on detached service at different times as member of the General Court Martial, Military Commission and Post Adjutant on the staff of General C. C. Andrews at Little Rock, Ark. In the summer of 1865 was Post Commander at mouth of White River, Ark.; September, 1865, was assigned to command of a sub-district with headquarters at Jacksonport, Ark., and was also appointed assistant general superintendent of Freedman's Bureau for the same district. Major General Reynolds offered to recommend him for a second lieutenant's commission in the regular army. He declined the offer, preferring to return to his home in Minnesota. November 30, 1862, married Lizzie S. Caleff at Nininger, Minnesota. She and their daughter, Victoria, were with him during his stay at Jacksonport, Ark. After leaving the army, he taught school several terms at Nininger and Hampton and followed farming until he moved to Minneapolis, October, 1901. Besides he was in the farm machinery business at Bird Island for a short time and for a few years traveling collection agent for the Northwestern Manufacturing and Car Company of Stillwater and Minneapolis. Harvester Company, Minneapolis.

He worked two summers as right-of-way agent for Chicago, Great Western Railroad Company. At different times held various town and school district offices; was representative in the legislature of 1878, speaker's clerk during the session of 1891, and State Dairy and Food commissioner two years under Governor Lind. Was nominee for Lieutenant-Governor on the ticket with Governor Lind in 1896 and 1898; also for Railroad Commissioner on Democratic State ticket in 1902. As an earnest friend of good government—government of, for and by the people—has always taken a lively interest in politics and never missed an opportunity to vote at elections. Since coming to Minneapolis in 1901 has done some business in real estate and insurance. In 1881 and 1882 was editor of newspaper, the Bird Island Blizzard.

Herman Zumwinkle, an estimable pioneer, was born in Germany, Jan. 16, 1835, and was there reared. He was a youth of but sixteen years when he came to America and located in Ohio. From there he went to Rock Island, Illinois. In that state, on Sept. 2, 1857, he married Elizabeth Nelson, who was born in Norway, June 6, 1832, and died Jan. 16, 1911. In 1862 he came to Minnesota, and located in Le Sueur county where he remained for two years. Subsequently he lived in Shakopee and St. Peter, working in these places as a harness maker. In 1870 he came to Renville county and purchased a farm in Flora township. 1871 he bought 120 acres in section 22, Beaver Falls township, where he successfully carried on general farming until 1897 when he sold his farm to his son, Frank E., and moved to Beaver Falls village. He was a prominent man, served on the township board for many years and had his part in the upbuilding of the community.

Henry 0. Zumwinkle was born in Rock Island county, Illinois, July 23, 1860, son of Herman and Elizabeth Zumwinkle. He was brought to Beaver Falls township by his parents, was here reared, and here attended the district schools. He also attended the Mankato Normal school for a year. In 1882 he purchased from his father the 80 acres in section 22, Beaver Falls, where he now successfully carries on general farming. Like the other members of his family, he has attained considerable prominence in the community.

He has held several township offices, having been assessor for two years, constable for twenty years, deputy sheriff for twelve years and a member of the school board for twelve years. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. of Morton and has held all the chairs. Mr. Zumwinkle was married Sept. 17, 1882, to Martha Ann Carruth, born June 1, 1864, daughter of James and Mary (Cosens) Carruth. James Carruth was born June 16, 1832, in Belfast, Ireland, and came to America in 1848 and lived in Canada until 1872, when he moved to Renville county and secured a homestead in section 2, Beaver Falls township. Here he remained until 1897 and then moved to Le Sueur county where he