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several terms, he also served many years as school treasurer. He enlisted in the army in 1864 and served two years four months and twenty days. He was married in 1860 to Ellen Johnson, daughter of Nels and Mariah (Mathew) Johnson, who came from Sweden to the United States in the early fifties and located in Elgin, Ill. After staying there a year, they came up the Mississippi river to Red Wing on the "Mississippi Bell." Red Wing was then a pioneer village, with the Indian tepees still standing. Soon afterward they came to Leon township, and ended their days near Spring Garden church. To Mr. and Mrs. Stone were born six children, three boys and three girls. Two sons are living: F. S., married to Anna Benson, lives in Minneapolis and manages a creamery, and owns a creamery in Cannon Falls; Silas E., married Emma Readland and is a carpenter by trade. It is worthy of note that Spring Garden, now the name applied to the Swedish Lutheran church and the community surrounding it, was named many years ago by Mrs. Stone. William E. Stone died in 1867 and his wife in 1879. Nels Johnson passed away in 1879 and his wife in 1869.

James L. Scofield, of Cannon Falls village, is a native of the Empire State, born at Mt. Morris, Livingston county, New York, May 8, 1844. He came to Goodhue county with his parents, Luther and Roxanna Scofield, when about eleven years of age, in 1855, and this has been his home since. He received his education in the common schools of Cannon Falls and the old Hamline University, of Red Wing. When eighteen years of age he enlisted, on August 13, 1862, in Company F, 8th Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, and served until July 11, 1865, when he was honorably discharged. After returning home he resumed farming. In 1868, in partnership with his brother, Wilbur H., he established a drug business at Cannon Falls, which he has continued since. His brother died in 1894 and his nephew, Fred W. Scofield, son of Wilbur H., became his partner. Mr. Scofield was married in Cannon Falls June 25, 1876, to Mary I. Hillman. Her father, Levi B. Hillman, was among the early pioneer settlers of Cannon Falls. Mr. Scofield was elected to the legislature in 1892 and re-elected in 1894.

Harrison M. Slocum, of Cannon Falls village, is one of those men who believes in the industrial improvement of farming conditions through co-operation. He was one of the organizers of the Stanton Co-operative Creamery Company and was one of its directors for several years. He also assisted in organizing the Stanton Farmers' Fire Insurance Company, of Stanton, and was one of its directors for a considerable period. In 1895, upon the organization of the Cannon Falls Co-operative Creamery Company, he became its first president and retained that position