

CHARLES T. POWNE, well known in and about Antelope, is at the head of a flourishing grocery store at Antelope and is rated as one of the leading and substantial business men of the town. He was born in Lincolnshire, England, on December 25, 1867, the son of William and Marion (Groves) Powne, natives of Cornwall and Dorsetshire, England, respectively. The father was a physician and died at Cornwall, England, in 1904, June 20. The mother's people were an old Dorset family. She died in 1896. Our subject was educated in the Swindon high school in Wiltshire, and under private tutors. In 1888 he came to the vicinity of Lennox, Ontario, and worked on a farm. Thence he went to Manitoba and raised wheat for four years, buying land from the railroad there. From that point he came to Wasco county and entered the employ of Van Duyn Adams & Company, at Tygh Valley. In 1896 he came to Antelope and was with Bolton & Company until 1902, when he opened his present store. This has occupied his attention since and he has now a fine business.

On June 1, 1898, Mr. Powne married Miss Willetta Ashby, at Antelope. She was born in Washington, the daughter of William J. Ashby. Mr. Powne has the following named brothers and sisters; Leslie, a physician at Crediton, Devonshire, England; Arthur L. and William A. cattle man in Alberta; Harold and Cecil, wheat raisers in Manitoba; Bernard O., in New Mexico; Kate, wife of Harry Granger, a capitalist of London, England; Winifred, wife of T. Wood Robinson, of his majesty's steamship, Excellent; Agnes, wife of Mr. Langton, a physician in Hartfordshire, England; and Olive, single, and in England. Mr. and Mrs. Powne have one child, Nonnan S.G. Mr. Powne is a member of the A.F. & A.M., the A.O.U.W., and in politics is an active Republican. He is now city treasurer, and he and his wife belong to the Episcopalian church. They are popular young people and have many friends, being upright, worthy, and progressive.

Mr. Powne is closing out his business at Antelope and, with E.A. Priday, has purchased the interests of J.J. Monroe, of Adel, Lake county, this state. They have incorporated, the style of the business being the Warner Valley Mercantile Company.