four years he was merchandising at Winger, and he now operates a threshing outfit in connection with his farming activities. He invented the Fosston wind cleaner for threshing machines, which was patented in this country in 1898, and is now in extensive use in many parts of the United States and also in Canada.

On December 16, 1905, Mr. Mickelsen was married to Miss Anna Olson, a daughter of Christ Olson, and a native of Polk county. They have three children, Ida A., Alpha and Florence. In religious affiliation the parents are connected with Synod Lutheran church, and in official life Mr. Mickelsen is a member and chairman of the township school board. He takes great interest in his work on the board and it is highly appreciated by the people.

WILLIAM S. ANGLIM.

Among the early residents and business men of Crookston none stood higher in public esteem as a broad-minded and public-spirited citizen and as a progressive and resourceful merchant of large business capacity than the late William Anglim, member of the firm of Fontaine & Anglim. These gentlemen for a number of years conducted the leading general merchandising establishment in the whole Red river region, and so well did they understand and so completely did they meet the requirements of the region that they laid almost every part of it under tribute to their trade.

William Anglim was born May 25, 1843, at Brockville, in the province of Ontario, Canada. He left home at an early age and worked for a few years in the state of New York. He then came west to Detroit, Michigan, and entered the service of the American Express company. After a short term of faithful and appreciated work in a minor capacity in the employ of this company he was promoted to the position of railroad expressman on the run between Tomah, Wisconsin, and St. Paul, Minnesota.

While thus engaged Mr. Anglim cherished a desire which was born in him early and gained vigor with his growth. This was to have a business of his own, and the desire at length became so strong that he could resist it no longer. He heard of the promising possibilities of Northwestern Minnesota and determined to see what he could do in this locality. So in 1878 he changed his residence from St. Paul to Crookston and, in company with Louis Fontaine, bought the stock and business of W. D. Bailey, a general merchant in the latter city, or at the frontier settlement in the woods as it was then. His association with Mr. Fontaine came through an advertisement for a business partner which Mr. Anglim inserted in the newspapers in St. Paul. Their business grew to vast proportions, and they also conducted a branch store at Argyle, in Marshall county, this state, with conspicuous success and a very large trade.

The partnership between Mr. Anglim and Mr. Fontaine continued for more than a quarter of a century. They started their business in a little log house on the main road running through the village, which was then full of stumps of trees that had been cut down to make an opening for the march of improvement, and when they retired from business they turned over to their successors the finest, largest and most complete and comprehensive department store in Northern Minnesota.

In addition to being one of the leading merchants of the Red river valley Mr. Anglim was also one of Crookston’s foremost men in connection with public affairs. He was always a staunch Democrat in his political faith and alliance, but without regard to political considerations he was elected to every important office in the gift of the people. He was chosen either alderman or mayor of the city whenever he would consent to serve, and was a member of the school board for nearly twenty years. His conspicuous ability and sterling citizenship also received national recognition, President Cleveland, in his second