

ALBERT G. DOYLE, deceased. In giving a memoir of the esteemed gentleman, whose name is at the head of this page, we feel that it is quite in place with the object of this work, which is to make mention of the leading men and women of Wasco county, since he was a man of excellent Christian character, possessed of abilities and worth that stamped him a leader among men and one who won friends wherever he was.

Albert G. Doyle was born in Illinois, on March 7, 1832, the son of Daniel Doyle. He was a native of Virginia, of Swiss ancestry. The name was probably anglicised after the family came to America, in the early colonial days. He married Miss Godfrey, the mother of our subject. She died when Albert was an infant and then the father married Mary Lowe. They were both from prominent Virginia families. Our subject was reared in Illinois and St. Louis, Missouri, and after the high schools were completed, he entered Lebanon college and received a fine classical training. Then he matriculated in the medical college of Cincinnati, Ohio, but owing to a failure of his health he was obliged to abandon the study of medicine, which was his life's ambition. However, he gave it up cheerfully and went to teaching, which he had followed before. Then he did farming until his marriage in Illinois. In 1865 in company with his father and the entire family, our subject fitted out horse and mule teams and made the trip across the plains to the Willamette valley. After three years there he found the climate did not agree with him and accordingly came to this side of the mountains. He spent a winter on Fifteenmile and then came and purchased the right of Louis Klinger and preempted the place where his widow now resides about three miles west from Endersly. Here he lived until the time of his death, on January 23, 1880. He was then aged forty-eight. He was a man of prominence among his fellows and bore the best of reputation, being a faithful Christian. He and his wife were zealous members of the Methodist church. Mrs. Doyle has remained on the home place since and is a woman of many graces and virtues. She is most highly esteemed by all and is spending the golden years of her life secure in the faith that has cheered and sustained her all the journey up to this time.

On April 5, 1857, at Highland, Illinois, the marriage of Mr. Doyle and Sarah Hines occurred. She was born in Illinois, on November 17, 1837, the daughter of William and Sarah (Robbins) Hines. The mother died when she was five months old and the father when she had arrived to the age of twelve. Her childhood life was spent with foster parents. William and Susanna (Hornsby) Husong. Mr. Doyle had no full brothers or sisters, but had two half brothers, John and Charles, and two half sisters, Mary F. Fouts, and Rosie Hemmingway. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Doyle: Mary F., the wife of Benjamin Southwell, and now deceased; Joseph, who died when aged seventeen; Bessie, the wife of Charles Wagonblast, who died in July, 1894; Edwin, the eldest son, who died on May 31, 1900 aged thirty-eight years and four months; and William, single and living with his mother. The children were men and women of fine character and were well esteemed.

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