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ABIEL S. MacALLISTER, one of the leading business men of The Dalles and prominent stock raiser of Wheeler county, resides at The Dalles. He was born in Maine, November 1, 1841, the son of Abiel and Lucinda (Atkinson) MacAllister, natives of the Pine Tree State. The parents and grandparents of our subject's father were natives of Maine, the great-grandparents coming from Scotland. The maternal grandfather of our subject served in the Revolutionary war and for many years he was High Sheriff of the state of Maine. The Atkinson family, from which came the mother of our subject, were early New England settlers, coming from the parent country, England.

Mr. MacAllister came to Portland, Oregon, in 1877 and to The Dalles, in 1878.

January 1, 1867, Mr. MacAllister was married, at South Jefferson, Maine, to Sarah T. Peaslee, a native of Maine. She is the daughter of Merrill and Mary (Curtis) Peaslee, both descendants of old colonial families, representatives of whom were prominent in the Revolutionary war. For many generations the Curtis family has been distinguished in literary, commercial and legal circles. Mrs. MacAllister has one brother, Frank, a farmer, residing near Salem, Oregon.

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