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DANIEL L. ZACHARY, who resides about four miles south of The Dalles on Three Mile creek, is one of the venerable citizens and sturdy pioneers of Oregon. He gives his attention to farming and fruit raising, overseeing his place and is now largely retired from active life. His father, Alexander Zachary, was born in Arkansas and descended from a very prominent family. His father, the grandfather of our subject, was a patriot of the Revolution. Alexander Zachary died in Oregon in 1859. He came among the very first who made their way across the plains, his train arriving in 1843. Settlement was made just east from the present site of Portland. He was born in 1804. Alexander Zachary married Miss Sarah Luster, a native of Kentucky and from a prominent southern family. She died in Dayton, Washington, in 1894. Our subject was reared in Arkansas and attended the school there and in Oregon until 1853 when he started in life for himself. His first venture was stock raising in Linn county, where he took a half section as a donation claim. For fourteen years, he labored assiduously there, then came to Gilliam county, taking a homestead, preemption and timber culture claim. He was for sixteen years one of the leading stockmen of Gilliam county. It was 1897, when he came to his present location and purchased one hundred and twenty acres of land which is the home place. Ten acres of this are devoted to orchard which produces Italian prunes, grapes and so forth, and the balance to general farming.

On July 16, 1862, Mr. D.L. Zachary married Miss Martha Dinwiddie. The wedding occurred in Linn county and the bride was born in Indiana. Her father, David Dinwiddie, was born in Ohio and descended from the old and prominent Dinwiddie family, well known in colonial days, members of which held important offices as governor and so forth. Mr. Dinwiddie married Miss Elsie Hildreth, a native of Indiana in which state the marriage occurred. The Hildreth family was also connected with the inception of colonial history and were prominent for many generations. Mr. Dinwiddie brought his family to Oregon in 1853.

Mr. Zachary has no brothers living but three sisters, Katherine Davis, Jane Bowen and Nancy. Mrs. Zachary has two brothers Joseph and James and two sisters, Mary and Harriet. To Mr. and Mrs. Zachary the following children have been born: Elmer, a farmer in Linn county; Elsworth, a farmer near Dayton, Washington; Albert, a stockman in the Yakima country; Ira with his father; Daniel, also at home; Elsie, wife of Wilfred Cecil, a farmer in Morrow county; Maggie, who died on July 16, 1903, aged fourteen years and five months; and Wills W.

Politically, Mr. Zachary is a stanch Democrat while in local affairs, he is active and well posted. His standing in the community is of the best while he and his wife are known far and near as hospitable people.



