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HOWARD L. DUMBLE, M.D., has not spent so many years in Hood River as some of the pioneer men, yet he has so thoroughly identified himself with the country and its interests, that he deserves to be mentioned among its leading citizens. He stands at the head of a lucrative practice and is an energetic and progressive man, skilled in his profession, capable and up-to-date.

Howard L. Dumble was born in Ohio, on June 1, 1860. His father, Samuel Dumble, was a native of Pennsylvania and his parents came from Cornwall, England. For thirty years, the father was a newspaper man and editor of the Marion Independent at Marion, Ohio. In 1861, he enlisted in the Ninety-sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and served for three years with distinction and bravery. Then he was honorably discharged and returned to Marion and resumed his editorial work. He died at Marion, in 1895. Politically, he was one of the stanchest and best informed Republicans in his city and did much for the success of the party in many hotly contested campaigns. He married Miss Elizabeth Corn, a native of Ohio and descended from an old Maryland colonial family. She now lives at Marion. Our subject completed the high school course in 1878, then matriculated at the Weslyan University at Delaware, Ohio. So thoroughly was he occupied with the spirit of his studies that in two years he successfully completed a three year course. After graduating, he taught for several years, then was appointed examiner for the pension bureau at Washington, D.C. In this capacity he served until 1890, when he entered the medical department in the National University, at Washington, D.C., and graduated therefrom in 1893, with the title of Doctor of Medicine. He continued some time as medical examiner in the pension bureau then accepted the position as physician in the Indian service at Fort Hall reservation, Idaho. He also served at Crow Creek, South Dakota, and Fort Yates, North Dakota, and Pendleton, Oregon, resigning from government service in 1901. In that year, Dr. Dumble was attracted to the beautiful town of Hood River and located at this point. He immediately opened an office and took up the practice of medicine, wherein he had become exceptionally skillful through long years of experience in active service. Since that time, the doctor has been favored with a fine practice and has won for himself hosts of friends throughout the country. His off

At Marion, Ohio, on October 10, 1883, Dr. Dumble married Miss Kate C. Idleman, a native of that town. Her father, Silas Idleman, was a native of the same country, and his family had been pioneers in various sections of the United States and the colonies. He married Miss Catherine Poutens, a native of Ohio, descended from an old American family. Dr. Dumble has two brothers, Marion M. and Martin L., and one sister, Bessie. Mrs. Dumble has nine brothers and sisters, one of whom, C.N., was formerly attorney general of the state of Oregon.

Dr. Dumble is a member of the A.F. & A.M., the R.A.M., the O.E.S., the Order of Washington, the W.O.W., and the M.W.A. Mrs. Dumble belongs to the O.E.S. Mr. Dumble belongs to the Methodist church while Mrs. Dumble is a member of the Episcopal denomination. He is a good strong Republican, a well informed and an up-to-date man.



