

HON. NEWTON CLARK, who is grand recorder for the A.O.U.W. at Portland, Oregon, having office at 203 Commercial block, and a residence at 400 Broadway, in that city, is entitled to representation in this volume since he has lived for many years at Hood River and did much to open up and build up this portion of Wasco county. He was born in Illinois, on May 27, 1838, the son of Thomas L. and Delilah (Saddoris) Clark, natives of Indiana and Ohio, respectively. The mother's parents were German and she is now living with our subject, aged ninety. The father came to Wisconsin as a pioneer in the early forties. In 1877, accompanied by his wife and our subject, he drove across the plains to Oregon. Our subject's wife and children came a year later. Our subject was a small child when the journey to Wisconsin was made, and he remained in the Badger state until grown to manhood, receiving there his education from the district schools and the Point Bluffs institute, graduating from the latter with honors. After that, Mr. Clark followed farming and the mercantile business for some time. After that, he journeyed to Oregon in 1877 and did farming and surveying in Wasco county. He bought state land at Hood River and resided here eleven years. He also owns property here at the present time. After that period had elapsed, he was appointed to his present position and still retains the same.

On October 14, 1860, at North Freedom, Wisconsin, Mr. Clark married Mary A. Hill, a native of Scotland and the daughter of William Hill, who was born in the same country and followed milling. Mr. Clark has no brothers or sisters, and Mrs. Clark has the following named brothers and sisters: William, James, Douglas, Mrs. Elizabeth Lehmer, Jeanette Petteys.

Politically, Mr. Clark is an active and influential Republican. In South Dakota he was a member of the territorial legislature and made an excellent record in that body. He was chairman of the board of county commissioners in Minnehaha county for many years and Clark county was named in his honor. He has been active in the conventions since coming to Oregon, but has aspired to no political office.

Fraternally, he is allied with the G.A.R. and the A.O.U.W. In September, 1861, Mr. Clark enlisted in the Fourteenth Volunteer Infantry, Company K, as private, and was mustered out in October, 1865, as regular quartermaster. He was in fourteen of the principle battles under Grant and was all through the western campaign. He participated in the Red River campaign under General Canby and was under him at the siege of Mobile when peace was declared. Mr. Clark furnished the flag put up on the Vicksburg court house when the war was ended. He has been a prominent and progressive citizen in the various places where he has resided and is remembered in Wasco county as a man of bright mind and public spirit.