

CHARLES CHANDLER is the owner of one of the choicest farms in Wasco county. It consists of two hundred acres of excellent land and is situated in the Hood River valley. He has recently sold about two hundred and eighty acres and still owns the amount mentioned. Excellent house, good barns, and all other improvements needed are in evidence and the thrift and good taste of Mr. Chandler make the place not only profitable, but a delightful rural abode. He was born in Maine, on April 28, 1856. His father, Jesse Chandler, was also born in Maine, as were his parents, and the family is an old and prominent one. Many members were in the Revolution and Moses Chandler was an officer in that war. Our subject's father was a farmer and died in Greenville, Texas, in 1888. He had married Mary Wright, who was born in Farmington, Maine, and descended from a leading family. When Charles was a year old, the family went to Wisconsin, and a year later they went to Kansas where the mother died in 1860. He lived eleven years in Kansas and gained his education from the common schools. He had a farm bought and paid for in Texas before twenty years old. It consisted of one hundred and twenty acres and there he remained until twenty-eight, when he sold and journeyed west to Oregon, selecting the Hood river valley as his objective point. He took a government claim, which he now dwells on, and since those days has given his undivided attention to general farming and fruit raising. About nine acres are devoted to apples, and the balance of the land to general crops.

At Greenville, Texas, on September 17, 1876, Mr. Chandler married Miss Arabella Fox, who was born in Holden, Missouri. Her death occurred in February, 1888. On February 2, 1892, Mr. Chandler married a second time, Mary B. Millner becoming his wife at this time, and the nuptials occurring in Stevenson, Washington. Her parents are Alexander and Mary (Thrasher) Millner. Mr. Chandler has three children, Fred, Ruby, and Ollie M. The last named married Robert L. Neves and died at Hood River, on June 28, 1902. Mr. Chandler has one brother, George, one half sister, Mary McIntosh, and one half brother, John F. Mrs. Chandler has neither brothers nor sisters. Our subject has always evinced an interest in political matters and is an upholder of Republican principles. He has served as school director for many years and always takes a great interest in every measure that is for improvement in any line or betterment of the conditions of the country.