

J. FRANKLIN FULTON is a native born son of Wasco county, and one, too, that brings credit on his birthplace. He is a young man of industrious habits and sound principles and has dwelt in the place of his birth since. He has achieved a good success here and now owns a fine estate of one section of land about fifteen miles east from the Dalles, on Fifteenmile creek. The place is well improved, has five hundred acres of wheat land and is laid under tribute to produce bounteous crops each year. Mr. Fulton has usually about thirty hogs, some twenty or more horses and as many cattle, and he usually raises considerable wheat, although he is a diversified farmer.

On the old Cooper place, on Tennile, J. Franklin Fulton was born, on November 28, 1867. Mr. Cooper was grandfather to the little Oregonian and the parents of the lad were James and Georgeann (Foss) Fulton. He was reared in this vicinity and his education was begun in the school in district No. 16, and finished in the schools in The Dalles, both public and private. The interims between periods of study were spent on the farm and in riding the range, both in Oregon and in Washington, and he remained with his parents thus until twenty-five years of age. In 1900, Mr. Fulton had been so prospered that he was justified in purchasing the farm where he now dwells. It consists of one-half section of land and he settled on the same the following year. In that year he bought another half section which corners the first one and they now constitute his estate. Mr. Fulton brings an industry and mature judgment to combine in the good work of improving this estate and making it one of the choice and valuable homes of the county and he is meeting with the success that these virtues deserve.

October 30, 1898, was the glad day when Mr. Fulton took to himself a wife, Miss Lillian Hurlburt being the lady of his choice. The wedding occurred in The Dalles. Mrs. Fulton was born in La Crosse, Wisconsin, on April 26, 1876, the daughter of Daniel R. and Catherine (Miller) Hurlburt. The father was born in Michigan and his father was a pioneer of that territory and was killed by a falling tree when this son was twelve years old. When Daniel R. grew up he married and his family now dwell in Portland. He has for the past twelve years been keeper of the light house at the mouth of the Willamette river. His wife was born in Germany and came to the United States with her parents when three years old. In 1852 her parents came to Kansas and later, settled in Iowa, and at Burlington, that state she was married. Mrs. Fulton has the following named brothers and sisters, Walter B., Elmer A., Leon L., Arthur P., Mrs. Flora Bunn, Mrs. Ida M. Shaw, Katie and Rosie M. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Fulton, Glenn, aged three, and an infant unnamed. Mr. Fulton is a Democrat but not especially active.

He takes a keen interest in the affairs of education and in all movements for the progress and upbuilding of the country.