

JOHN I. MILLER, one of the good and substantial citizens of the Hood River valley, dwells on the west side about seven miles up from the town. He has a choice place and is engaged in horticulture and general farming. Last year his shipment of berries was eight hundred crates, while also he has a great many apples. He was born in Illinois, on November 6, 1856, the son of William M. and Susan E. (Stephens) Miller, natives of Indiana. The father died in Missouri, and the mother in Sherman county. The father settled in southeastern Kansas in 1866, and there our subject was educated and in Missouri, and when arrived at manhood's estate, he farmed until 1886 when the entire family came to Oregon and settled in Sherman county. They farmed there on the government land they took until 1895, when Mr. Miller traded that property for the place where he now resides and since then he has made this his home. He is a man of thrift and industry and has made a fine showing here in the last eight years.

At Mt. Vernon, Missouri, on October 21, 1881, Mr. Miller married Miss Hannah Badger, a native of Indiana, and the daughter of George and Margaret (Mars) Badger. The father was born in Indiana on August 7, 1821, and died January 12, 1888. The mother was born in Pennsylvania, May 24, 1821, and died September 15, 1877. Mrs. Miller has the following named brothers and sisters: Daniel, born May 25, 1847; Philip, born May 27, 1849, and died January 17, 1874; Margaret, born September 18, 1851; Mary Catherine, born September 18, 1856; Ebenezer, born January 20, 1859; and George R., born February 16, 1862. Mr. Miller has two brothers, Abraham H. and Edgar B. and three sisters, Clara H. Roark, Alice S. Brock, and Ida M. Strong. Mrs. Miller has three brothers, Daniel, Eben and George R., and two sisters, Margaret Stephens, and Katherine Canady. Six children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller, William A., Ephraim A., Ivan J. and Irma, twins, Virginia B., wife of Thomas A. Van Ausdal, and Maud M. Mr. Miller is a Republican, but not especially active in this realm. He is clerk of the school board and has been for many years in different places and is now serving his fourth term in the Crapper district.

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