

P.H. MARTIN resides about six miles south from Hood River in the Crapper district, where he has a nice farm and gives attention to fruit raising largely. He was born in Missouri, in 1862, the son of William and Martha (McQuown) Martin, natives of Missouri and Virginia, respectively. The father resides near our subject and his father was born in Kentucky. The mother was descended from Irish ancestry. Henry was raised in Missouri and Iowa and received his education from the common schools. The family moved to Iowa in 1865 and returned to Missouri in 1856. In 1883, Mr. Martin came to Washington and there conducted Dr. Blalock's fruit ranch for seven years. After that, he was eighteen months at Yaquina Bay, Oregon, and then went to Prineville, where he was in the stock business for seven years. He sold out that and came to the Hood River valley in 1899. He finally purchased the place he now owns from Captain A.S. Blowers and has given his attention to its cultivation and improvement since. He has an eight acre orchard and handles some fruit besides other crops.

In 1895, at Prineville, Oregon, Mr. Martin married Miss Emma Lister, who was born in Crook county, Oregon. Previous to her coming to the Hood River valley, she had lived in Crook and Wasco counties, this state. Her father, Thomas Lister, was born in England and came to the United States when two years of age, in 1828. He enlisted in the Mexican War and crossed the plains in 1852 with ox teams, settling near Eugene. After that, he came east of the mountains and did stock raising at Prineville. His death occurred there in 1898. He was a very prominent man, especially in politics and was always identified with the Republican party but never sought office for himself. He married Miss Mary E. Jeter, a native of Kentucky and descended from an old southern family. Mr. Martin has one brother, K. Duncan and four sisters: Sue, wife of William L. Purdin; Celeste; Mary, wife of Fred W. Webber; and Inez V. Mrs. Martin has the following named brothers and sisters, Charles M., Joseph, Hugh J., Catherine, Florence E. Holbrook, Marie Pond, Anna F. Belknap, and Ida M. McEwen. Mr. Martin is a member of the A.O.U.W. and a good strong Republican. He and his wife belong to the Methodist church and she is steward in the same. They have two children, Helen D. and Mary L. Mr. Martin is director in his district and is a prominent and substantial man. Before marriage, Mrs. Martin taught school for several years in Crook county. They are highly respected people.