

MR. G. SPRINGER.**The Importer, Breeder and Dealer in Blooded Stock.**

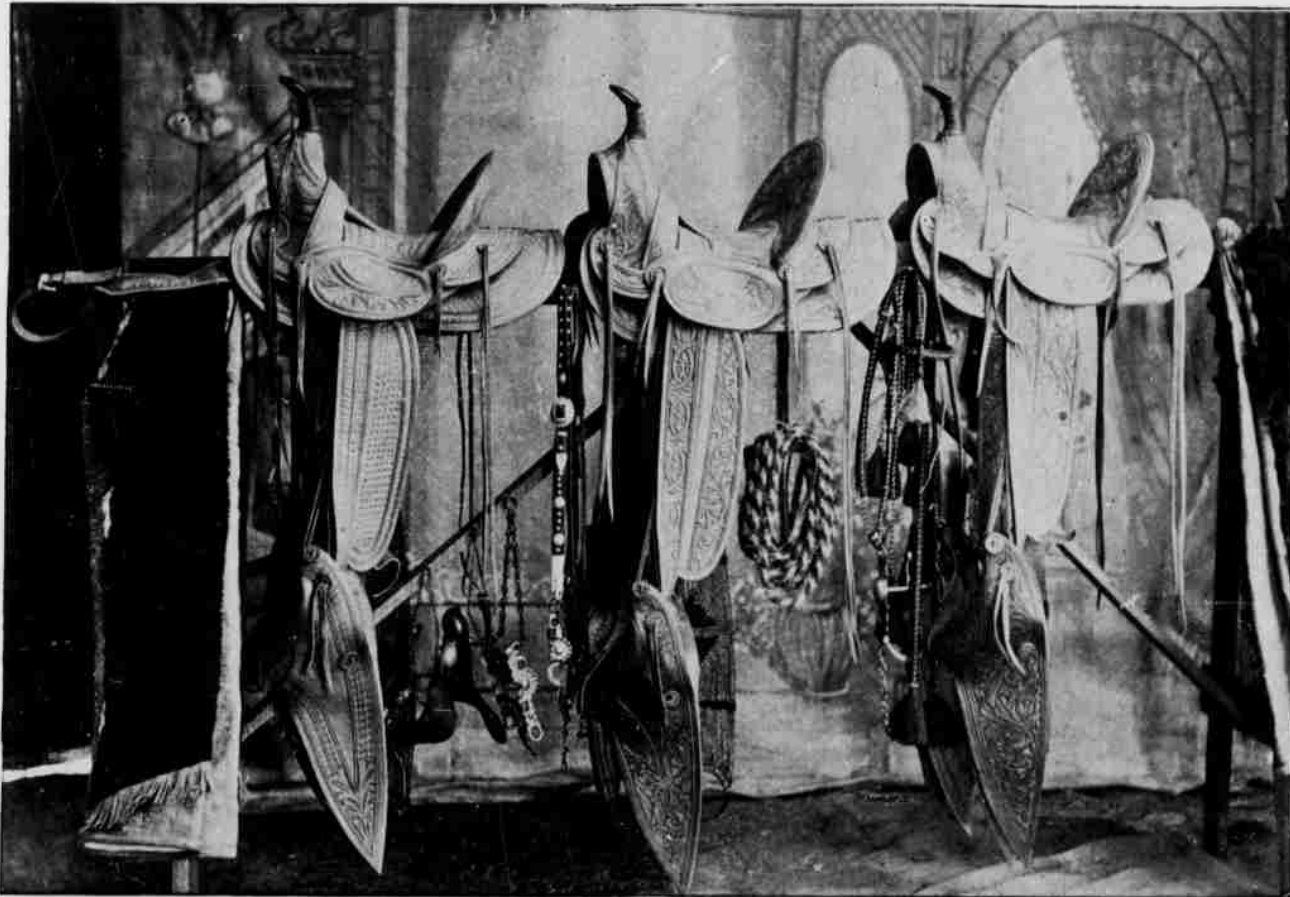
Was born in Polk County, Or., March 8th, 1854, moved with his parents to Yamhill County in '56, was brought up on a farm and educated in the public schools, completing his commercial training at the Portland Business College. Moved to Whitman County, Wash., in 1877, where in company with his brother, he was first to introduce Clydesdale horses, Jersey cattle, Poland China hogs, and fancy poultry. Closing out the business, both in Palouse and Yamhill, in spring of '87, Mr. Springer removed to this county, bringing with him a choice lot of draft mares. In the spring of '88 he went east and purchased two imported draft stallions, the best obtainable. During the hard times the Haystack ranch like other blooded stock

KNOX HUSTON, SURVEYOR.

Knox Huston, author of the article in this paper on topography of Crook County, has lived in what is Crook County for twenty-two years, was a local surveyor until 1890, when he was elected county surveyor, and re-elected in 1892, and acted in that capacity until 1900. He has followed surveying and civil engineering exclusively for ten years. He has engineered a large majority of the irrigation ditches of the county, and has retraced a large portion of the lines of the government surveys. In doing this he has acquired an exact knowledge of the county, by personal observation. He has located a large number of settlers, always correctly, and is a safe man to go to to have work done in his line. Two years ago he was appointed deputy U. S. mineral surveyor. He is well equipped with all instruments for his business, is always ready to go when not engaged in his profession.

D. E. TEMPLETON.

D. E. Templeton is one of the early pioneers of Oregon. He was born in Indiana May 4th, 1831, and crossed the plains with an ox team on his way to the Willamette valley in 1847, traversing the sage plains and bunch grass hills of Eastern Oregon with little thought that this, then desolate region, would be his future home and the scene of his future prosperity. Upon his arrival in Oregon he settled on the Albany Prairie, and when the gold excitement in California broke out became a mammon worshiper with the rest, and crossed the Siskiyou mountains into northern California. He returned to his valley home in the early '50s, and engaged in farming until 1870, when he removed to Crook. Mr. Templeton is one of our most prosperous farmers, and is also the senior member of the drug firm of Templeton & Son. He was elected county commissioner on the popu-

**E. H. SMITH.**

In the manufacture of saddles, Prineville stands second to no town in Oregon. E. H. Smith, the veteran saddler, is at the head of his trade, which fact is recognized throughout the Northwest. He was born in California in 1850, and learned his trade while a youth. He engaged in saddle making in California and the Willamette valley until 1891, when he came to Crook County. The excellence of his workmanship soon established him in a lucrative business until at the present time he is turning out upwards of 200 saddles per year. This work is all hand stamped and hand made throughout, and in every state west of the Rocky mountains these saddles can be found. Mr. Smith's custom extends from British Columbia to Mexico, and from Montana to the Philippines. He also manufactures and carries a full line of hand made harness and trappings.

The above illustration but imperfectly conveys an idea of the style, finish and perfection of the Smith saddle.

list ticket in 1898, and has proved himself a conscientious and careful guardian of the county's interests.

TIMBER.

Our county line, on the west, extends to the summit of the Cascade mountains, but the government "timber reserve" only leaves a strip from two to eight miles wide and about forty miles long, bounded by the Deschutes river on the east. The Paulina range of mountains is situated on the east side of the Deschutes river, and extends south to the Lake County line on the south. This mountain is from ten to fifteen miles wide and about thirty miles in length.

Maury ridge, a low-timbered mountain, situated on the south side of Crooked river, is, on an average, six miles wide. Its length is fourteen miles. McKay mountain is a low spur of the Blue mountains, running from Grizzly butte in a southeasterly direction to the Grant County line, and bearing more south, taking in the east and south part of our county, averaging

establishments, was compelled to make haste slowly, but Mr. Springer, being a lover of fine horses, could not resist the temptation to pick up a good one occasionally, until you will now find among Mr. Springer's flowers, as he calls them, specimens of pure bred Clydesdale, Cleveland Bay, French draft, trotters and thoroughbreds, and of grade Shire, Percheron, Belgian, French Coach and English hackneys.

The stallions sold from Haystack have added thousands to the value of the horse stock of Crook County, and among its numerous patrons none have failed to profit by their investment.

BIRDSONG AND DEMARIS.

Messrs. Birdsong and Demaris are the owners and operators of the "Mill Creek" sawmill, a cut of which is given elsewhere and which bears the distinction of being the first sawmill erected in this county. It is located on Mill creek, 15 miles east of Prineville and near the famous "Stein Pillar." All grades of pine lumber are kept in stock at prices as low as the lowest.