

PROMINENT MEN

MAYOR GRANT B. DIMICK.

He was born on the A. R. Dimick donation land claim, 16 miles south of Oregon City, March 4th, 1869. After receiving his education at the State Normal at Monmouth, Oregon, he read law and was admitted to the bar by the Supreme Court of Oregon, June 1, 1895, and immediately began the practice of his profession at Oregon City. In 1898 he formed a partnership with Mr. O. W. Eastham, under the firm name of Dimick & East-



ham, and they are now considered one of the substantial law firms in the county. Mr. Dimick is a republican in politics and has canvassed the county in three campaigns, and is now the secretary of the Republican County Central Committee. He was elected mayor of Oregon City on December 3, 1900, by a majority of 111 votes, and was re-elected by a majority of 205 votes on December 2, 1901.

COL. ROBERT A. MILLER.

Mr. Miller comes from one of the well known pioneer and political families of Oregon, his people coming to this state in 1845 and first settling in Multnomah and Clackamas counties. He was born in Lane county, Oregon, in 1854. His parents moved to Jacksonville, Oregon, when he was six weeks old and his early life was spent on his father's donation land claim adjoining that then famous mining town. He learned the bridle paths of Jackson and Klamath counties while assisting in his father's stock interests. He graduated at the Willamette University in 1878 and supplemented this with a Chautauqua diploma in 1900. He was admitted to the bar in 1887 and was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States in 1893, and was admitted to practice before the Land Department at Washington, in 1897. Mr. Miller was elected to the legislature from Jackson county in 1886 and was re-elected in 1888. His course in the legislature gave him the democratic nomination for Congress in 1890 by acclamation. He was one of the nominees of his party for presidential elector in 1892, and was appointed Register of the Oregon City Land Office in 1893 and served four years. Col. Miller gets his military title from having served for six years as aide-de-camp on the staff of Governor Pennoyer. He has been for the past

two years chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee of Clackamas county and at the last convention received the unanimous endorsement of the convention for Congress. He was nominated in the state convention of 1900 for Congress but declined and placed in nomination Hon. Bernard Daly, of Lake county, who received the nomination. Col. Miller has a state reputation and stands well in the counsels of his party.



Aside from Mr. Miller's political work he spent some years in the newspaper field of Oregon, being engaged as a writer or reporter for the Salem Mercury, The Daily Standard, The Oregonian, The News, and The Polaris, and during the year 1893-4 he was editor and proprietor of The Hesperian, published at Portland, Oregon. He left the newspaper work for more congenial pursuits.

Mr. Miller, after four years' residence in Portland, Oregon, returned to Southern Oregon in 1884 and took charge of his father's fruit and farming interests and demonstrated that both could be made to pay. He helped to build up the Southern Oregon State Board of Agriculture and was secretary for two years during its most prosperous period. He was president of the Southern Oregon Fruit Growers' Association and gave much attention to the material development of that portion of the state.

Col. Miller, since coming to Clackamas county, was president of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Association for four years and took an active interest in upbuilding that institution. He is now president of the Men's Club of the First Congregational Church, of Oregon City.

Col. Miller, since retiring as register of the Oregon City Land Office, in 1897, has devoted his time to building up a law practice which now extends over two states. He is winning both fame and fortune in his chosen profession.

W. H. HOWELL.

Superintendent of the Oregon City Water Works, is a native of Clackamas county, having been born in Canemah in 1851. Except an absence of five or six years in The Dalles and a year with Frank Campbell in Eastern Oregon, on a surveying trip, he has always lived in Oregon City. Mr. Howell has been with the firm of Pope & Co. for 20 years and has had charge of the plumbing, steam-fitting and tinning part of the business. He has been engineer and superintendent of the

water works for 15 years and overseen the installation of the present pumping plant and the new filter just put in by the city. Mr. Howell made his start by buying 12 lots in



Oregon City which he afterwards sold during the boom some years ago. He is half owner of the elegant new Stevens-Howell building, which has the finest hall in the city above and the best and most showy store-rooms on the ground floor. The hall is occupied by the Woodmen of the World and the double store by Adams Bro.'s Golden Rule Bazaar. He is a substantial citizen of Oregon City and is respected by all.

GEORGE LAZELLE.

Is a native of Michigan, but was raised in Iowa. He came to Oregon 28 years ago and two years later married Mary, the daughter of J. K. Bingman, the pioneer, of Canemah. Mr. Lazelle is a prominent breeder of Red-Polled cattle and is the proprietor of a fine herd of this celebrated breed. In another column will be found a picture of some of his fine stock. Mr. Lazelle has been president



of the State Spiritual Association, which holds annual camp meetings on its grounds at New Era, and takes a prominent interest in such matters. He owns a fine farm between New Era and Oregon City and is an honorable and agreeable gentleman, and is always to be found on the right side in business transactions and looks to the betterment of his fellow-citizens in political matters and is respected by all.