## E. P. CARTER.

The subject of this sketch was born in Madison county, New York, in 1854 and removed to Missouri when 15 years of age, where he resided six years, coming to Clackamas county in 1875, since which time he has resided continuously in this county and engaged in farming and clearing land, and although never of a robust constitution he has with his own labor cleared and improved over 100 acres of land and now owns a farm near Wilhoit Springs.



Mr. Carter has never held public office except minor offices incident to country life, such as justice of the peace, school director and road supervisor, etc., but has always felt that in the humble capacity of a worker in improving the waste places of Oregon, he has to use an old saying, "in making two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, been a benefactor to the race," to fully as great an extent as he who has followed a profession or any of the so-called "genteel callings." He has been a crank on one subject, the improvement of the public roads, and when a number of years ago the county court decided to change from the old obsolete methods of road work to the present system, Mr. Carter was appointed one of four road supervisors for the whole county to help inaugurate the new system, and for two years held that position, and in spite of a determined opposition to the change, has live! to see the work of himself and the others who bore the brunt of the fight for the change, appreciated by the people. He has through taking an active interest in public affairs gained the name of a politician which he denies emphatically in the common acceptation of the term.

## WELDON M. SHANK.

The subject of this sketch is a native of Ohio, but came to Oregon with his parents in



1880 and settled on a farm near Canby. Mr. Shank spent his early life upon the farm. He

received his preliminary education in the schools of Portland, after which he graduated from one of the best colleges of the state. He is at present the senior partner of the firm of Shank & Bissell, undertakers and funeral directors. Mr. Shank is an adept in his profession, having past all the examinations with high honors.

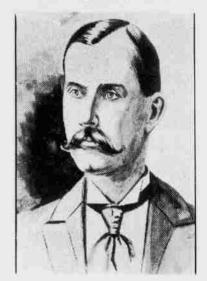
He has filled various offices of honor and trust in the different fraternal orders and al-

ways acquitted himself with honor. In politics Mr. Shank is uncompromisingly republican and is considered one of the young political leaders at the present time. He was the unanimous choice of the republican county convention in 1900 for county clerk but was defeated with several of the republican candidates by a few votes. However, in the coming campaign the eyes of his party and its leaders are turned toward Mr. Shank as the next republican county clerk.

Mr. Shank is one of the best educated men in Clackamas county and is very popular socially and professionally.

## SENATOR L. L. PORTER.

The subject of this sketch is a native of Wisconsin and came to Oregon and settled in Oregon City in 1889 where he resumed the practice of law. Shortly after his arrival here he was appointed city recorder and held that office for several terms. Later he was appointed deputy prosecuting attorney for two terms, About four years ago he purchased the Oregon City Enterprise and



became its editor and manager and he has successfully conducted the paper since. Mr. Porter was elected joint senator for Clackamas and Marion counties in 1898 and has sat in three sessions of the State Legislature. Mr. Porter is prominently mentioned in connection with the office of state printer, an office to be filled next lune. He is interested in considerable Clackamas County property and recently erected a fine residence on the West Side.

## COMMISSIONER J. R. MORTON

is a native of Ohio, in which state he was born in 1838. Mr. Morton came to Oregon in 1866 and worked in Oregon City for 15 years. For five years he ran a planer in the basin saw mill, which mill was carried away by the flood of 1890, and afterward worked as carpenter and joiner until he moved on his present farm residence at Damascus, 14 years ago. His farm is well improved and contains 160, of which 60 acres is in cultivation. It

formerly contained 184 acres but 24 acres were sold off as townsite of Damascus. While residing in Oregon City he was a member of the city council for two years. He has also held the office of road supervisor, school clerk, besides being school director for



11 years. He was elected county commissioner in 1898 and is at present chairman of that honorable body. Mr. Morton conscientiously looks after the interests of the tax-payers in all county affairs and enjoys the respect and good will of the entire comminity.



Residence of T. L. Charman.



Residence of Dr. Freeman near Willamette Falls,