

of the town energetic and wide awake, but all the citizens in the precinct take an interest in the lovely town, and whenever anything is to be done to enhance its welfare, one and all unite and take hold of the matter as one man and this is the secret of her marvellous success. Whenever a railroad is extended through the county it cannot help but go through this place, as the advantages she enjoys both as to water supply, natural location, and the immense trade from southern cities passing through will make it the best town in time in the county.

Grass Valley can boast of the best school privileges in the county, as she has located in her midst the Baptist Academy, a fine two-story building, and also a good two-story district school building, where a graded school is run and it ranks as the second district in the county for scholars of school age.

Grass Valley also enjoys the distinction of being the only town in the county that has a public hall. It is a two-story building, with the upper part fitted up as an Odd Fellows hall, in which there also meet the A. O. U. W., W. of W., D. of H., Encampment degree of I. O. O. F., all of which orders are doing well. The lower part of the building is for public entertainments, etc., with a good stage, and the entire hall is well and comfortably seated. It has a seating capacity for 700.

The following business firms and their business is represented in Grass Valley:

Moore & Rollins, general merchandise.

Scott & Co., general merchandise.

R. Smith, hotel keeper.

Mrs. G. C. Vinton, hotel keeper.

John Dam, blacksmith.

Frank Lynn, blacksmith.

Geo. Clements, boot and shoe store, exclusive.

Jno. Trainer, boot and shoe repair shop.

Bourhill & Co., hardware, wagons and machinery.

Dr. Snooks, druggist and physician.

Miss Minnie Smith, confectionery.

Wm. Fairfield, steam chop mill.

J. H. Berger, furniture store.

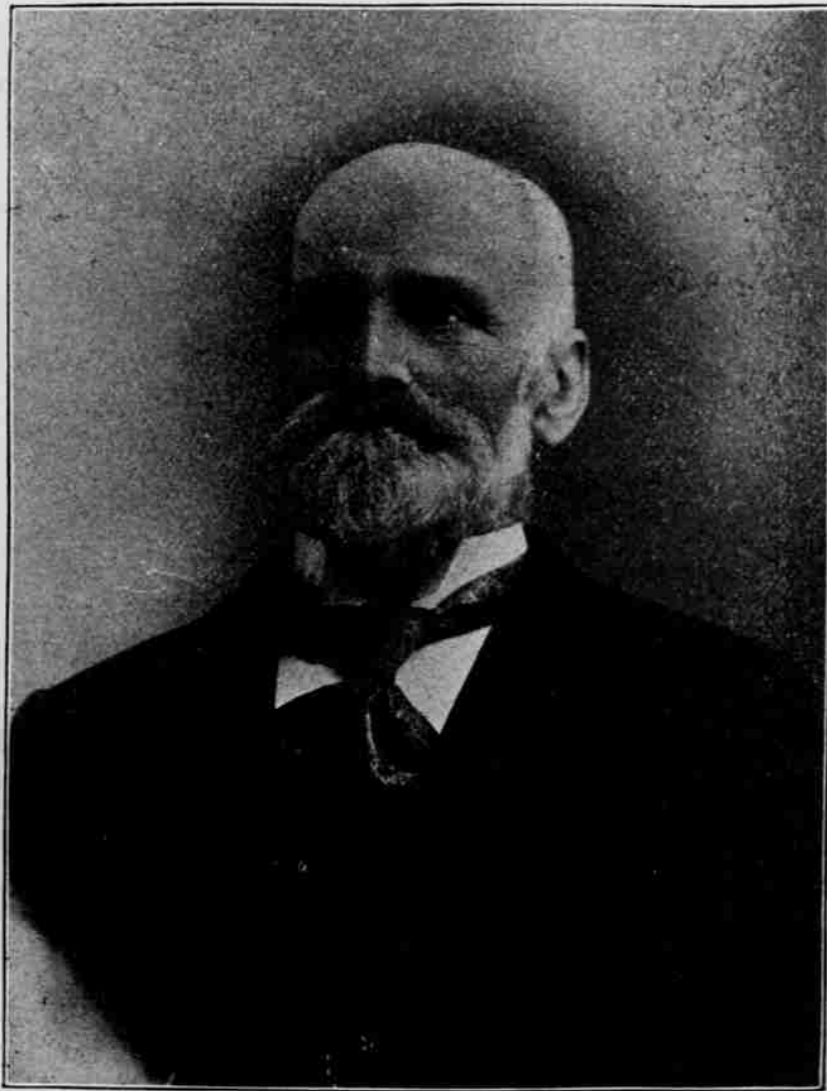
G. C. Vinton, livery stable.

R. Smith, livery stable.

Mrs. Gleeson, dressmaker.

O. P. King, meat market.

Last, but not least, the Grass Valley Journal, edited by C. E. Brown. The Journal is a bright, newsy paper, second to none in the county, and is Republican in politics, and generally read by all classes in the county, and has a good circulation, making it, as an advertising medium, one of the best.



CHAS. R. ROLLINS, M. D.

Dr. Chas. R. Rollins is one of the best known citizens of the county. He was born early in the present century, and his name as a journalist and physician has been a familiar one in Massachusetts, New York, Minnesota, California, and Oregon. He could tell many an interesting tale of hardship, toils and danger, having been among and lived through them.

Born in New Hampshire in 1829, his parents moved to Vermont when he was but six years old, and he stayed there until he was 14, when on the death of his mother, he left for Massachusetts, and began working in a newspaper office, under the late king of journalists, Chas. A. Dana. He here acquired an extensive acquaintance with the prominent newspaper men of the day, such as Horace Greeley, &c. At the age of 19 he married Miss Lillie, and drifting west to Minnesota, he began the study of medicine. He continued it in Chicago, and coming to California, practiced four years in San Jose, and two in San Francisco.

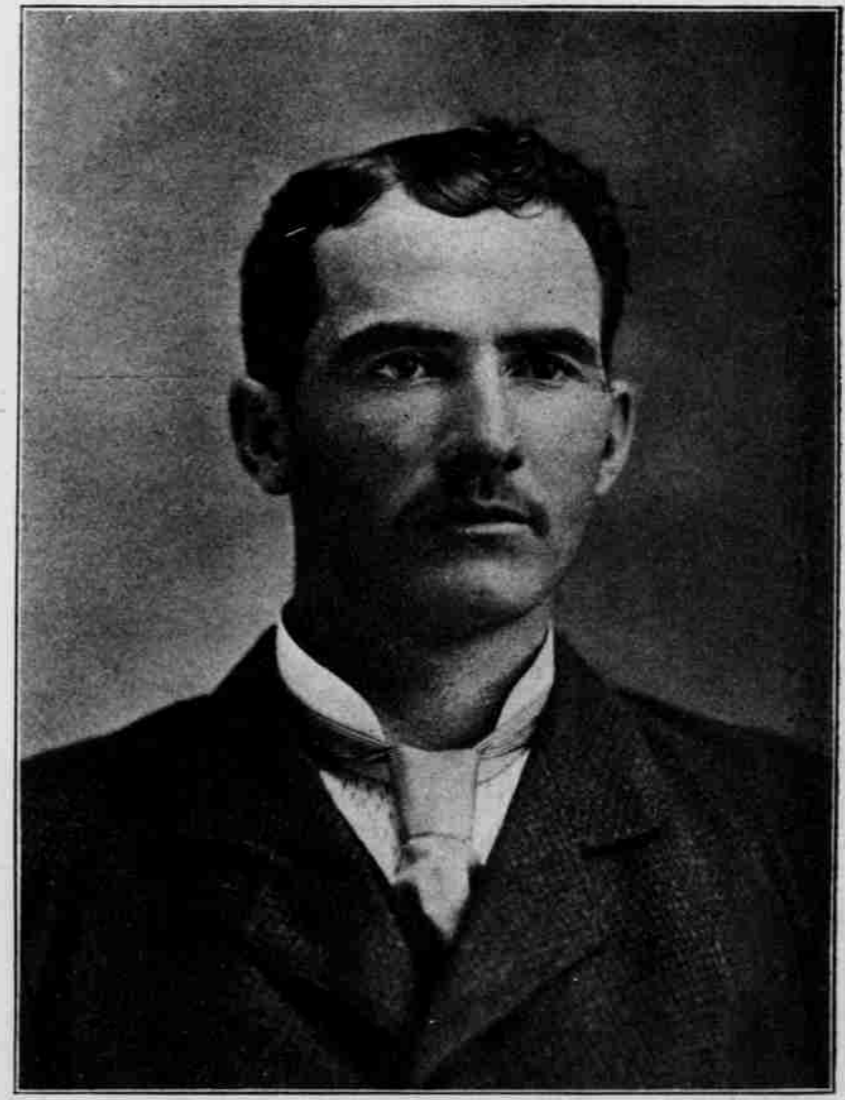
In 1878 he located in Oregon in Wasco county, finding only 42 white souls in the confines of what is now known as Sherman county. He practiced his profession actively for 10 years, and then, in connection with his son-in-law, Chas. W. Moore, established the well-known mercantile establishment of Moore & Rollins. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, and has been a life long republican, but has never sought any particular office at the hands of his party. Dr. Rollins takes a particular interest in school affairs, believing it the most essential necessity of good government, and has given liberally to the cause of education, presenting the district with nineteen lots; in fact, in any movement leading toward the growth of the town he exercises the same spirit of liberality. His family includes three sons and two daughters.



MIDDLE OREGON BAPTIST ACADEMY.

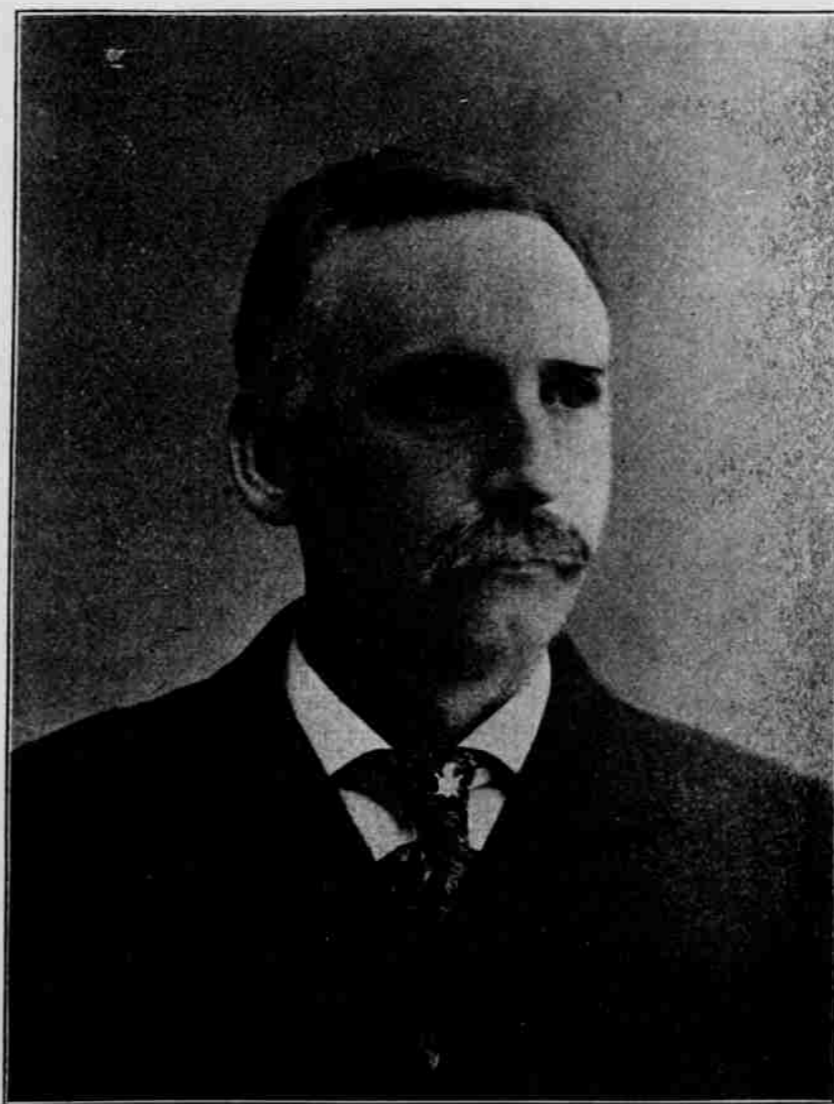
MIDDLE OREGON BAPTIST ACADEMY.

This noble institution of learning was founded by the Middle Oregon Baptist Association, for the purpose of thoroughly preparing young people for college, business life, or for the profession of teaching, and to do this under Christian influences. Its location is a great advantage, situated as it is in the midst of a town where no saloon nor gambling is tolerated, nor are there any of the alluring deceptions of a large city, such as the theater and kindred evils. The cut of the building hardly does it justice. It is two stories in height, and also has a large and commodious basement, and is surrounded by a large campus. There are three courses of study each requiring three years to complete. The Normal is particularly adapted to those intending to follow teaching as a profession. The classical presenting two years Latin, gives thorough preparation for admission to college, and a business course is offered which is adapted to fit students for the practical duties of business life. Studies in elocution and vocal music will be given by T. Clay Neece, it being a part of the regular course. During the course, lectures will also be given by C. A. Woody, Claude Raboteau and Gilman Parker of Portland; A. L. Boardman, of McMinnville, Geo. W. Barnes, of Prineville and C. P. Bailey, of Grass Valley. The principal R. Hargreaves is an able instructor, and gives the affairs of the Academy his personal supervision. He will gladly furnish any desired information regarding its advantages.



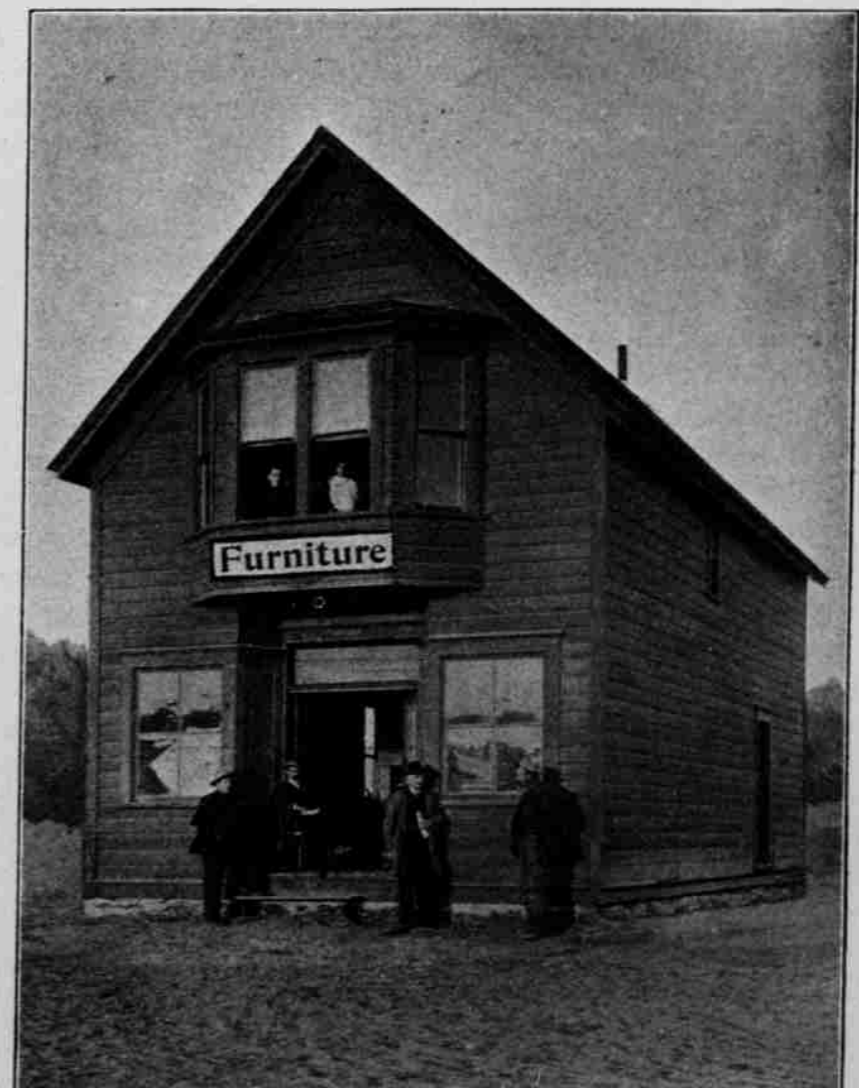
R. H. KING.

R. H. King, one of the County Commissioners of this county, is one of its most substantial citizens. Born in Tennessee in 1856, at an early age he moved with his parents to Illinois, where he received his education. Seeing the vast possibilities of the west, in 1881 he moved to Portland, Oregon, but only remained there a short time. Joining a surveying party, he accompanied them to Eastern Oregon. In 1882 he came to Wasco county, and three years later took up a pre-emption near the present town of Grass Valley. By careful and business like methods, he has secured a full section, which is to-day one of the best improved farms in the county. He is also largely interested in cattle raising, meeting with equal success in that avocation. Mr. King takes considerable interest in school affairs, being a director for the past two terms. He is married to Miss Flora Hannah.



CLARK E. BROWN.

Clark E. Brown, editor of the Grass Valley Journal, first saw daylight in Illinois in 1858. He was educated for that most trying of all pursuits, teaching, which vocation he followed faithfully for a long term of years. He was an occasional contributor to the press, and his articles at all times showed considerable thought and vigor. He established the "Journal" November 12, as an independent republican organ, and while his office is in Grass Valley, he intends to devote his columns to the exposition of the resources of the entire county. He has a complete job office, in connection under the management of T. H. Dupuy, a mechanic of long standing. Mr. Brown was appointed postmaster November 15th, and makes a particularly accommodating Nasby. He takes an active interest in a number of the leading fraternal orders, being a member of the K. of P., Noble Grand in the Odd Fellows, Consul Commander in the Woodmen and P. M. W. and delegate to the Grand Lodge of Workmen.



STORE OF J. H. BERGER.