

Margery Russell gave this to me.

~~This is according to
witnesses of the
wedding of Oscar
Hamilton & Mary
Russell
Sept 29th 1859.~~

Children

Olive 4th	Delbert
Oste	Clas. Oscar
Jane 2nd	(William)
Mary	1 boy
	dead
Ruby 2nd	young

Oscar's Children

Robert

Eloise

Orville died in WW II

Georgie (girl)

Duron Hamilton has the distinction of being born in the Willamette valley and spent the years of his life entirely in the west, having been a pioneer for various sections. He has done the work of the pioneer well and deserves credit for it. At the present time, he resides 6 miles Southeast from Starbuck where he has a nice estate, well improved. He is one of the influential and substantial men of the country, and labors assiduously for improvement & progress. His birth occurred at the forks of the Santiam in Liner county, on April 29, 1859. The father, Supplina Hamilton, was born in Illinois and crossed the plains in 1851. He crossed the plains with an ox team in 1851. ^{He was a deputy for justice in one by about 1854.} He settled on a donation claim in that county and in 1861, came to Umatilla county on horse back, arriving in due time at Umatilla ~~the~~ landing where in connection with farming, he operated a blacksmith shop. For 5 years he continued this enterprise, then moved to another portion of Umatilla county.

Later he returned to Linn County Oregon and in 1873 came to the palaka flat and took a pre-emption. He lived on that for 2 yrs and then went to Watsburg and opened a blacksmith shop.

Shortly after that he took 200 acres of government land near Dixie, where he remained until 1888. In that year, he traded his land for land in Whitman county near Endicott and this he sold in 1902 and then bought land near St John Wash. His death occurred at 7:15 AM Feb 9, 1905, at St Johns where his body rests. He fought in the leading Indian wars and took part in the campaign against the Cayuses - During this service he spent one winter above Walla Walla where the snow was 5 ft deep on the level and they subsisted on horse's flesh without even salt. Our subject's mother, Jane (Sumpter) Hamilton, was born in Missouri and crossed the plains in 1849. Her father Alexander Sumpter, died on May 20, 1894 age 93.

He has 13 children, ³ 86 grandchildren,
162 great grand children, 17 great-great
grandchildren, making a total of 278
descendant, most of whom were born
in Oregon, Wash, Idaho.

our subject was educated in the
public schools of Oregon + Wash
and the academy at Watsburg. after
he arrived at manhood's estate he
took a homestead near Depue. In 1878
he went thence to Pataha flat and
conducted a farm. a year later, he
returned to the vicinity of Depue
and bought railroad land and in
1881, took a timber culture five
~~four~~ miles north of Watsburg, where
he remained until 1895. In 1897
Mr Hamilton came Columbia county
and in 1901, bought and rented land
where he now lives. He has a pleasant
and valuable home place and

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(H)
handles considerable stock besides
doing general farming. He also is an
expert well driller & handles
many contracts throughout
the country, in company with his
C.O.

On Dec 24, 1876 Mr Hamilton
married Miss Laura S Brunton,
a native of Missouri who, in 1876
came to this state with her
parents, Cyrus H. and Christian (Childs) Brunton,
natives of Pennsylvania &
Ohio respectively. The father was one
of the pioneers of the coast and was
widely known as a good & upright
man. To Mr and Mrs Hamilton nine
children have been born, named
as follows, Mrs Olive L Nelly, Charles O
Cesta, Pearl C, Christa J. Mary,
Delbert, William J.B. & Ruby
Mr Hamilton is a member of the
I.O.O.F. He is energetic and stirring

③
man in business affairs, patriotic and
loyal as a citizen and staunch and
true as a friend -

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