

MR. M. M. STEVENSON

Aberdeen, Washington



Mr. M. M. Stevenson was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1853. He crossed the Delaware when he was nine years of age, and was employed by the Samuel Davis Dairy Co. of New Jersey. The position he held until he was advanced to the position of foreman.

In 1874 he moved to California, located in the city of San Francisco, made a short stop, contracted the "gold fever," and moved to Virginia City, Nevada, and engaged in mining, returning to San Francisco he secured employment as collector of bills and bank accounts for several banks of that city. Later he became a contractor of streets and sewers, and was the leading contractor for sixteen years. He was the contractor who built the Diamond Street sewer on an unstable financial foundation and San Francisco is indebted to him in the sum of \$20,000 at the present time. For more than twenty-five years he was active in politics, was organizer of the first Democratic Club in the city. In 1898 he moved to Portland, Oregon, as a representative of West & Wheeler Mfg. Co., later became a policeman, changed that position and became attached to the city library and remained three years. He removed to Tacoma, Washington, and for nine years conducted a hand laundry. In 1910 he cast his lot with Aberdeen, Washington, where he has been very active. At present he is agent for Vix Vapor Humidifier Co. that has a connection with the carburetor which will increase the power of a car 100 per cent. He is the owner of three houses, one he occupies at 210 North A Street, Aberdeen, Washington. His past life's work was manifestly resultant, and among those whom social and business relations brought him in contact with, he was held in the highest esteem. As the day with its morning of hope and promise, its noon-tide of activity, its evening of complete successful efforts, so has been the life of Mr. Stevenson, who in later years is affectionately called "Daddy Stevenson" by those who know him.