

John C. Miller was born in Clarke county, Iowa, February 6, 1855. At the age of eight months he was bereft of a father's care and protection, and he was reared by his grandparents. When he was eight years old he came with them across the plains to California, making the journey with ox teams. They first located at San Joaquin, where they remained two years, after which, in 1865, they went to Santa Clara; thence, in 1868, to Hollister, Monterey county, now San Benito county. Young Miller engaged in ranching at an early age, and has ever since continued thus occupied.

Mr. Miller has one brother living, at Coronado, San Diego county, California. He also has four half-brothers and two half-sisters, all in California. His mother is a resident of Stockton, this State, and is now fifty-six years of age. October 6, 1881, he married Miss Georgia Cummings, by whom he has one son, Clyde, aged eight years.

Although yet a young man, Mr. Miller is ranked with the pioneers of the State. He has been successful as a rancher and a businessman, and as a citizen is honorable and upright.

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