

Peter Mills Rinearson

Pioneer of 1845

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b. 06 Feb 1819 [07 Feb 1818] Butler County, Ohio

d. 12 Nov 1889 Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon

s/o Jacob Rinearson and Mariah Gulick

m1. 18 May 1847 Clackamas County, Oregon

Rebecca J. Cornelliuss

b. 29 Nov 1829 Wayne County, Indiana

d. 30 Sep 1862 Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon

m2. 27 Jun 1866 Clackamas County, Oregon

Isabella (McDonald) Greaves

b. 16 Oct 1829 Inverness, Scotland

d. 08 Sep 1895 Clackamas County, Oregon

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1880: Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon, June 25, 1880; Peter M. Rinearson, 58, farmer, OH PA PA; Isabella, 47, wife, keeping house, Scotland Scotland Scotland; Emma 12, dau, at school, OR OH Scotland; George, 10, son, at school, OR OH Scotland; Edward, 6, son, at school, OR OH Scotland; Jacob, 4, OR OH Scotland

"RINEARSON, PETER M.--Born in Butler County, Ohio, February 6, 1819. Came to Oregon in November, 1845. Resides now at Oregon City and is a farmer by occupation. Married twice to Rebecca Cornelius, and to Isabelle McDonald. Children's names Cornelius (deceased), Sarah, Abraham B., Isaac V., Peter M., Jacob (deceased), Cicero, Emma, George, Edward, and Jacob S." [History of the Willamette Valley by Herbert Lang p.644]

Vegetables.

P. M. Rinearson, of Oregon City, made a splendid display of vegetables. By weight 200 pound squashes, 20 pound beets, (30 inches in length), 10 pound carrots, 3 pound potatoes, 2 pound onions and by varieties 5 of corn, 2 of onions, 15 of potatoes, 9 of squashes, 3 of carrots, 3 of beets, etc., etc., 90 varieties in all. The excellence of the display is shown by the fact that out of 18 he received 17 first premiums and one second.

The remarkable production capacity of Oregon soil is shown in the large crops raised by him every year. From one acre of ground he has harvested 1068 bushels of onions. From one acre in corn he has harvested 148 bushels shelled.

Mr. Rinearson has solved the problem of corn growing in Oregon. The seed from which this remarkable crop was grown is the result of 18 years of constant and careful cultivation. It is thus thoroughly acclimated and ripens early enough to be harvested before the rains. There is no doubt of the practicability of producing large crops of well matured corn from this seed, as the land on which it is grown has never been manured or fertilized in any manner and no guano, plaster, ashes or any dressing has been used on the hills. His farm is near Oregon City and has no special advantage over any other farm in the Willamette Valley for this purpose. By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that Mr. Rinearson is offering this valuable seed for sale at very moderate prices, considering the care and labor of bringing it up to its present state of perfection.

[The Douglas Independent, Roseburg, Oregon, November 9, 1878 p.4 "State Fair News"]

MRS. RINEARSON DEAD.—Mrs. Isabe Rinearson, a pioneer of Oregon and widow of the late Peter M. Rinearson, died at her home below town on Sunday morning. She had been ailing most of the summer, but about the middle of last week lost most of her physical power, and from that time her death was almost hourly expected. She was 65 years of age. Her surviving children are: Richard L. Greaves, William Greaves, of Portland; Georgia, wife of Sohn Straight, and Clara, wife of George Califf, by a former marriage, and Hon. G. O. Rinearson, Ed Rinearson, Emma, wife of O. E. A. Freytag and Jacob Rinearson. The funeral service was held at the Congregational church on Tuesday at 10 o'clock.

[Oregon Courier, Oregon City, Oregon, September 13, 1895 p.5]

The Late Mrs. Rinearson.

Mrs. Isabella Rinearson, who died at her residence near this city last Sunday morning, was born at Inverness, Scotland, October 10th, 1829. Her maiden name was McDonald, and she emigrated to Australia when 16 years of age. Afterward she was married in Sidney, Australia to W. C. Greaves, of West York. One child was born there, who is now Mrs. Kate Brasel, residing in Portland. Two years afterward passage was taken on a sailing vessel for California, arriving there in the summer of 1850. During their residence in California, three children were born, W. C. and R. L. Greaves, and Mrs. Clara A. Califf of this city. In the spring of 1858, they took passage on the ship Northerner for Portland, Oregon, and in 1860 moved to Oregon City, where she was left a widow, Mr. Greaves losing his life in the Rogue river Indian war. In 1866, Mrs. Greaves was married to Peter Rinearson, one of Clackamas county's most estimable citizens, who died about six years ago. They leave four children, Mrs. Emma A. Freytag, George O. Rinearson, Edward B. Rinearson, and Jacob S. Rinearson. A large number of friends attended the funeral services of Mrs. Rinearson at the Congregational church last Tuesday morning, and Dr. Cowan delivered a very effective sermon. The remains were interred in the Oregon City cemetery. Mrs. Rinearson was held in high esteem by a wide circle of friends.

[Oregon City Enterprise, Oregon City, Oregon, September 13, 1895 p.3]

No decision has yet been handed down in the matter of the petition of R. L. Greaves for letters of administration on the estate of Elizabeth Rinearson, deceased. The Rinearson heirs claim that Mrs. Rinearson left no property to administer upon; that she only had a life lease on the property of Peter Rinearson, and this property reverted to his heirs upon his death. The four Rinearson heirs, George, Ed, Jacob and Mrs. O. E. A. Freytag, amicably allotted the real property among themselves, each taking 50 acres, without the process of going into court for a partition of the premises.

[Oregon City Enterprise, November 29, 1895 p.8]

Children of Peter Rinearson and Rebecca Cornelius:

1. Cornelius O. Rinearson

b. 12 Nov 1848 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 15 Dec 1876 Wasco County, Oregon

buried [Mountain View Cemetery](#), Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon

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Terrible Accident.

A special dispatch to the Standard, dated Celilo, Dec. 16, gives the following account of the premature explosion of giant powder, which caused the death of Cornelius S. Rinearson, eldest son of Mr. P. M. Rinearson, and D. S. Moore, residents of this city: "Information has just been received here of a terrible accident which occurred at Owyhee Rapids, about 10 A. M. yesterday, through the premature explosion of some giant powder, instantly killing D. S. Moore and C. S. Rinearson, both of Oregon City. Preparations were just being made by Mr. Moore, who has had charge of the explosives, for thawing out about ten pounds of the powder, which was in a frozen state, by heating with warm water. An interval of only two or three minutes had elapsed when a terrible explosion took place, blowing to atoms the cartridge house, and instantly killing Mr. Moore and Mr. Rinearson, who were standing some six or eight feet outside the house. As the powder was still in a frozen condition, the fuse and caps stored about three hundred feet away, and as no one had handled the powder but Moore, who was a careful and experienced hand at the business, and as every possible precaution had been used to avoid any accident, the cause of the explosion remains a profound mystery. In fact, no other theory can be given than that the powder must have been manufactured from inferior material and thus more liable to spontaneous combustion.

[Oregon City Enterprise, Oregon City, Oregon, December 21, 1876 p.3]

- 2. Sara Jane Rinearson
 - b. 25 Jun 1850 Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon
 - d. 29 Jun 1888 Multnomah County, Oregon
 - m. George Washington Pullen 07 Nov 1869 Clackamas County, Oregon
- buried [Powell Grove Cemetery](#), Multnomah County, Oregon

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1870: Portland PO, Multnomah County, Oregon, no date; George Pullen, 58, farmer, \$2800 \$650, VA; Margaret, 47, keeping house, VA; John, 14, at home, OR; Tilman, 10, at home, OR; George W., 22, at home \$0 \$690, MO; Sarah, 20, at home, OR [wife of George Jr.]

1880: Sandy, Multnomah County, Oregon, June 15 & 17, 1880; Geo W Pullen, 31, farmer, MO VA VA, S.J., wife, keeping house, (confinement), OR; Edward L., 8, son, OR MO OR; G.B., 67, father, retired farmer, VA

3. Abraham Lewis Rinearson

b. 04 Aug 1851 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 05 Jan 1930 Elko County, Nevada

buried [Jarbridge Cemetery](#), Jarbridge, Elko County, Nevada

m. Martha Ellen Miner 16 Dec 1882 Boise, Ada County, Idaho

m. Anna Woodward 1897

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1880: Boise City, Ada County, Idaho, June 16, 1880; Abraham Rinearson, 29, boarder, surveyor, OR OH IL [enumerated in Mary Breck household]

1900: Horseshoe Bend, Boise County, Idaho, June 30, 1900; Abraham Rinearson, head, Aug 1851, 48, m-2yrs, OR OH OH civil engineer; Anna, wife, Feb 1858, 42 m-2yrs, 1-1, IA VT OH; Frank L., son, Dec 1883, 16, s, ID OH CA, at school; Leoneth F., son, Apr 1886, 14, s, ID OR CA, at school

A. L. Rinearson, U. S. Commissioner, Dead

ELKO, Nev., Jan. 10 (AP)—Word received here today told of the death at Jarbidge, Nev., Sunday, January 5, of United States Commissioner Abraham L. Rinearson. Rinearson, born in Oregon City, Or., in 1851, surveyed the right-of-way from Granger, Wyo., to Portland for the Oregon Short Line Railroad. He also made the original mineral survey in the gold camp of Jarbidge in 1909. He is survived by two sons, Frank and Leonard, and a daughter, Mrs. Alice Smith of Boise.

[San Francisco Chronicle, San Francisco, California, Saturday, January 11, 1930 p.1]

4. Isaac Hewlick Rinearson

b. 1853 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 23 Oct 1893 Pomona, Los Angeles County, California

buried [Pomona Valley Memorial Park](#), Pomona, Los Angeles County, California

m. Jeanette B. []

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5. Frank Butler Rinearson

b. 04 Oct 1854 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 10 Sep 1889 Grant County, Oregon

buried [Prairie City Cemetery](#), Prairie City, Grant County, Oregon

m. Mary Emma Sullens

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F. B. RINEARSON, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon
PRAIRIE CITY - - - Oregon.

[Grant County News, Canyon City, Oregon, May 3, 1888]

Dr. Rinearson gives notice in another column that as he is unable longer to attend to his professional duties all outstanding accounts must be settled.

6. Mary Rinearson

b. 1856 Clackamas County, Oregon

d.

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7. Cicero Randolph Rinearson

b. Jan 1857 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 16 Dec 1902 Clackamas County, Oregon

buried [Mountain View Cemetery](#), Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon

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8. Peter Mills Rinearson Jr.

b. 10 Feb 1858 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 18 Aug 1922 Clackamas County, Oregon

buried [Mountain View Cemetery](#), Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon

m. Sarah Jane Johnston May 10, 1884 Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon [Daily Astorian, May 13, 1884 p.2]

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1900: Abernathy, Clackamas County, Oregon, June 18, 1900; Peter M. Rinearson, Feb 1858, OR OH OH; Sarah, wife, Feb 1858, 42, IA; Lillie, dau, Oct 1888, 11, OR; Anna, dau, Oct 1890, 9, OR; Peter, son, Nov 1892, 7, OR; Leonard, son, Feb 1900, 4/12, OR; George Rall, step son, Mar 1879, 21, OR Germany, IA



[Morning Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, August 21, 1922 p.9]

9. Jacob Rinearson

b. 10 Feb 1858 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. Mar 1858 Clackamas County, Oregon

Children of Peter Rinearson and Isabella McDonald:

10. Emma Alena Rinearson

b. 08 Jul 1867 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 27 Nov 1911 Clackamas County, Oregon

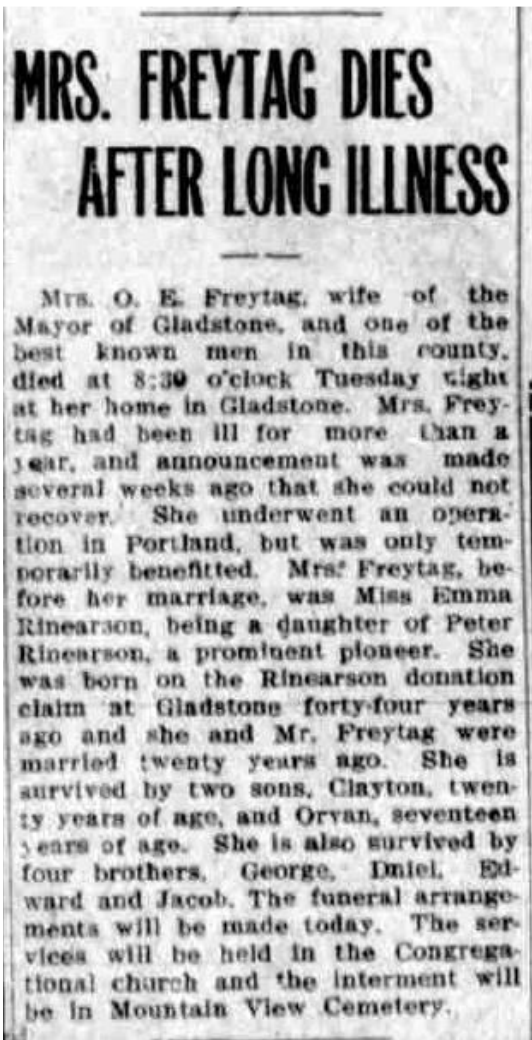
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m. Oscar E. Freytag 1881 Oregon

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1900: Abernathy Pct, Clackamas County, Oregon, June 18, 1900; Oscar E. Freytag, head, Apr 1864, 36, m-9yrs, Germany Germany Germany, farmer; Emma, wife, Jul 1867, m-9yrs, 2-2, OR OH Scotland; Clayton, son, Aug 1892, 7, s, OR German, OR, at school; Orra, dau, Feb 1894, 6, s, OR Germany OR, at school; David Rinearson, employee, Jan 1850, 50, s, ID ID ID, farm laborer



[The Morning Enterprise, Oregon City, Oregon, Wednesday, November 29, 1911 p.1]

Mrs. Freytag Dead.

The death of Mrs. O. E. Freytag occurred Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock at her home in Gladstone, after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Freytag was born on her father's donation claim at Gladstone, forty-one years ago, and has resided in that city almost all her life. She was married to Mr. O. E. Freytag, who is the present mayor of Gladstone, about twenty years ago. Mrs. Freytag was one of the best and most favorably known women in the county. Besides her husband she leaves one son, Clayton Freytag, one daughter, Orva Freytag, two sisters, Mrs. Clara Cahill of Cazadero, and Mrs. Kate Blaswell of Portland, and two brothers, W. C. Greaves and R. L. Greaves of this city.

The funeral services will be held from the Congregational church.

[Oregon City Courier, December 1, 1911 p.5]

MRS. FREYTAG TO BE BURIED TOMORROW

The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. O. E. Freytag, who died at her home at Gladstone, Tuesday evening, will be held from the Congregational church Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. E. S. Bollinger, of Portland, and Rev. Edwards, of this city, officiating. The services at the cemetery will be conducted by the Rebekah Lodge, of which Mrs. Freytag was a member, and it was her request that she be buried in the I. O. O. F. plat of the Mountain View Cemetery.

The funeral will be one of the largest ever held in this city, Mrs. Freytag having been one of the most popular woman in the county. She lived in Clackamas county all of her life, and was a daughter of prominent Oregon pioneers.

Mrs. Freytag was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital about three months ago for medical treatment, but her condition became so that it was thought advisable for her to return to her home. Mrs. Freytag had been active in church work, having been a member of the Congregational church of this city. She was also a member of the Sola Circle, Women of Woodcraft and Milwaukie Grange. All through her sufferings Mrs. Freytag had a kind word for her friends.

Mrs. Freytag was born on the do-

nation land claim of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Rinearson, who were prominent early Oregon pioneers and lived at the old home until her marriage to O. E. Freytag, who is mayor of Gladstone. Mrs. Freytag is survived by her husband, one son, Clayton, and one daughter, Miss Orva, and three brothers, George Rinearson, Edward Rinearson, and Jacob Rinearson; three stepbrothers, Peter Rinearson, William Greaves, Richard Greaves; three step-sisters, Mrs. Edward Califf, of Klacada; Mrs. Brazzell, of Portland; Mrs. John Straight, another step-sister, whose home was at Parkplace, died about one year ago.

[Morning Enterprise, Oregon City, Oregon, November 30, 1911 p.2]

11. George O. Rinearson

b. May 1871 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. aft 1911

m. 11 May 1893 Clackamas County, Oregon [divorced 1906]

Helena Belle McCown

b. 12 Jan 1866 Oregon City, Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 20 Dec 1948 Oakland, Alameda County, California

1900: South Sumpter, Baker County, Oregon, June 11, 1900; George O. Rinearson, lodger, May 1870, 30, s, OR OH Scotland, quick miner [living in hotel]

Clackamas Politician Is Sued.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—George O. Rinearson, of this county, has been made defendant in a divorce suit brought by Helena B. Rinearson, whom he married in this county in May, 1893. Cruelty and desertion are charged by the plaintiff, who asks for the custody of a minor child. Several years ago Rinearson represented Clackamas County in the House of Representatives at the State Legislature.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, Wednesday, July 4, 1906 p.5]



elected to the Legislature from his county last June by a large majority. He was born and raised in Clackamas county. Mr. Rinearson is recognized as one of the ablest parliamentarians and most forcible speakers in the House.

[Valley Record, Ashland, Jackson County, Oregon, February 7, 1895 p.7]

12. Edward Barnett Rinearson

b. 30 Oct 1873 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 1937 Los Angeles County, California

buried [Forest Lawn Memorial Park](#), Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California

m. Candace B. []

1900: Grass Valley, Sherman County, Oregon, June 11, 1900; Ed B Rinearson, head, Oct 1874, 25, m-0yrs, OR OH Scotland, surveyor; Pearl O., wife, Nov 1880, 19, m-0yrs, 0-0, OR IL IL; Thos C Willson, boarder, Apr 1870, 29, s, TX TN Miss, day laborer

13. Jacob Hayes Rinearson

b. 23 Jul 1875 Clackamas County, Oregon

d. 1915 California

1900: Grass Valley, Sherman County, Oregon, June 7, 1900; Jacob H. Rinearson, Jul 1874, 25, m-0yrs, OR OH Scotland, hotel keeper; Lottie A., wife, Aug 1872, 24, m-0 yrs; Sadie S. Vinton, sister-in-law, Jul 1887, 15, s, OR Wales IL; Millard B. Tayler, boarder,

Feb 1871, 29, s, TN TN TN, physician

JACOB H. RINEARSON, the popular host of the Vintin hotel, at Grass Valley, is a native Oregonian, his birthplace being Oregon City and the date of that event, July 23, 1875. Peter Rinearson, his father, was a native of Ohio where also his parents were born. Their parents came from England. In 1845, Peter Rinearson came with ox teams to Oregon City and took a donation claim just north of the Clackamas river and resided for four years and there died in 1885. He was a very influential man and was not only a leader among the pioneers but a very prominent citizen until his death. He did more perhaps than any one man to get the state fairs started and to make them popular institutions. The first one was held on his farm. He spent much time and labor in raising well bred stock and his animals took the prizes on many occasions. He was a generous, public spirited man and made many friends and did a vast amount of good in opening up and building up Oregon. He married Isabella McDonald, a native of Scotland, who came to Oregon with her aunt. Her parents died in Scotland

and she came first to California, in the United States, that being in 1849 and dwelt with her aunt in Stockton for some time. Then she came to Portland, where she met Mr. Rinearson and the wedding occurred either in that city or Oregon City. This worthy lady died in 1890, at Oregon City. Our subject was reared and educated in Oregon City and later studied in the State University, entering that institution in 1891. After that, we find him in British Columbia weighing ore for the LeRoi mine one year. Then he returned to Oregon City and in 1897, came to Grass Valley, looking after the stock which belonged to his father's estate. The next year, he purchased the hotel which he now owns, from George Vintin, who erected the same. Since that time, Mr. Rinearson has given his undivided attention to conducting the hotel which he has made very popular with the traveling public.

On February 14, 1900, at Grass Valley, occurred the marriage of Mr. Rinearson and Lottie A. Vintin, who was born in Butte county, California, in 1875. Mrs. Rinearson is the daughter of George C. and Martha (Evans) Vintin, who are mentioned elsewhere in this work. Mr. Rinearson has two brothers, George, an attorney

at Baker City, Oregon and Edward, in Portland.

Our subject is a member of the I. O. O. F., the Elks and the Red Men. He and his wife are well known throughout this part of the state and have hosts of friends. Their genialty and hospitality are well known and they have striven, not only to build up their business in a becoming manner, but to assist in the improvement of the country and have certainly done a commendable work.

[An Illustrated History of Central Oregon embracing Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Crook, Lake and Klamath Counties, 1905 p. 551]