

SAMUEL L. OAKES

Judge Oakes is one of the sons of Thos. W. Oakes. He was born at Goodwater, Choctaw Nation, in December, 1853, and was sent to the neighborhood schools until 1870, after which he was placed at Shilo, west of Paris, Texas, until 1872. He returned to his home that year and there remained for two years, after which he resumed his studies at Shilo until 1875. In 1885 he was appointed clerk of the supreme court, serving creditably and without intermission until August, 1890, when he was elected county judge of Kiamichi county by a good majority over Nolan Hensen, John Fowler and A. T. Stephens.

Mr. Oakes is a descendant from the Hyah-pahtuk-kalo clan through his mother, Harriett Everidge. His father, Thos. W. Oakes, was a white man from North Carolina. The subject of this sketch has a farm of one hundred and sixty-six acres under cultivation and a nice herd of cattle and horses.