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The Chronicle is the Only Paper in The Dalles that Receives the Associated Press Dispatches.

The district fair that closes today was, perhaps, taking everything into account as much of a success as we could reasonably have expected. The dry season undoubtedly limited the capacity for a good exhibit in general farm products and nothing very flattering could therefore be hoped for, in cereals. The fruit exhibit was in every way excellent one as was that of vegetables—what there was of it, but where there was one exhibitor, in this line, there ought to have been ten and the same remark will apply to everything else. The horse and cattle exhibits would have done credit to any country, so far as quality is concerned but all the cattle on the ground were owned by about half a dozen persons and there ought to have been twenty horses where one was shown.

It is natural that competitors should sometimes question the judgment of the judges who award the prizes at our agricultural fairs. The owner of a good horse is generally proud of him and as he knows the good points of his own animal better than those of a competitor, it is difficult for judges to give decisions that will satisfy everybody. As a case in point we may mention that opinions vary considerably with reference to the three stallions that competed for the sweepstakes. They were Callaghan's Royal Scott Clydesdale, K. Sigman's Dandy Shire, and Robert Kelly's Montford, Percheron. It may be said that either one is a model horse of his kind. Still not a few think that Montford, who got no place, ought to have drawn the first prize and a still greater number think that Dandy, who got the second place, ought to have had the first. We mention this simply as a matter of news. For ourselves we have no opinion to offer that would be worth putting on paper.

An item has been published lately in a newspaper of this city commenting very severely on "J. W. Gilman and others" for cruelly depriving a certain poor settler named Swift, of land in Grant county, on which Swift had been living for years. We do not pretend to account for the animus of the comment but we do know that if certain newspapers in this city are not a little more careful about publishing libellous articles about their neighbors they may get in trouble much more easily than they will be able to get out of. The following letter from the Fossil Journal would seem to furnish a complete contradiction of the criticism referred to:

DUTCH FLAT, Or., Sept. 16th, 1891.
 ED. JOURNAL: You have doubtless noticed an item going the rounds of the papers, headed "One of Many Cases," which makes statements derogatory to the reputation of J. W. Gilman and others. Now these are the facts, as I know them from personal knowledge and current report:
 Some time in the year of '85 Mr. Swift moved on to the land in question, and has been living there ever since; he himself says that he then had no right to a homestead, as he had filed on another place several years before, but never made final proof. He (Swift) has never been molested in the possession of the land in any way whatsoever, and within the last few weeks has filed on the place as a homestead, which he had a right to do under a recent act of congress which secures to every man the benefit of the right of homestead.
 The fact that Mr. Swift has lived on the place for nearly six years without filing or trying to file is certainly good proof that no attempt was or has been made to deprive him of his rights.
 Trusting that this explanation will set right a most abominable "fake" or else malicious falsehood, I remain
 Very truly,
 Z. J. MARTIN.

Dun's report for the week ending September 18 says: "Actual improvement is seen in nearly all the cities from which reports are received this week. It is especially noteworthy that collections are improving at most points, and that the money markets are on the whole comparatively easy, although the crops to be moved are enormous, and the actual movement unprecedented. It is a surprising fact that notwithstanding the output of pig iron is almost equal to the largest ever known, the price grows more steady and stiff and a decidedly better tone is observed in all the important markets."

The Albany Woolen mills company will sue in the next term of court for the unpaid subscriptions to the guarantee to bring the mills here. The amount unpaid is about \$1500.—Herald.

The Successful Competitors.

The following is a list of the prizes awarded to successful competitors at the district fair:

THOROUGHBRED HORSES.
 For the best stallion, four years old and over, J. O. Mack 1st, the same 2d.
 For the best stallion, age not entered, A. Swift, 1st.

STANDARD TROTTER HORSES.
 For the best stallion, four years old and over, J. H. Larsen, 1st. For the best three year old stallion, J. H. Larsen 1st.

HORSES OF ALL WORK.
 For the best stallion, four years old and over, M. Sigman 1st, Grant Bolton 2d. For the best stallion two years old and over, J. H. Larsen, 1st. For the best stallion one year old and over, P. M. Wagner 1st, C. Abbott 2d. For the best mare one year old and over, P. T. Sharp 1st. For the best brood mare four years old and over and colt, C. Abbott, 1st.

DRAFT HORSES—PERCHERON.
 For the best stallion four years old and over, Robert Kelly 1st.

ENGLISH SHIRE.
 For the best stallion four years old and over, R. Sigman 1st.

CLYDESDALE.
 For the best stallion four years old and over, Callaghan & Morrissey 1st.

DRAFT STALLION SWEEPSTAKE.
 For the best stallion on the ground four years old and over, Callaghan & Morrissey 1st. R. Sigman 2d.

GRADED DRAFT.
 For the best stallion, four years old and over, E. L. Boynton 1st. For the best stallion three years old and over, E. L. Boynton 1st. For the best stallion one year old and over, P. Wagner 1st. For the best mare four years old and over, Patrick Ward 1st; R. Sigman 2d.

ROADSTERS.
 For the best stallion four years old and over, J. O. Mack 1st. For the best gelding four years old and over, M. A. Moody 1st. J. O. Mack 2d. For the best mare four years old and over, J. H. Larsen 1st, M. Sigman 2d.

FARM TEAMS.
 For the best pair of farm horses, A. M. Allen 1st, R. Sigman 2d.

SWEEPSTAKES FOR SUCKING COLTS.
 For the best colt, without regard to blood, R. Sigman 1st, Patrick Ward 2d.

CATTLE—SHORTHORN.
 For the best bull three years old and over, C. Abbott 1st. For the best bull two years old and over, C. Abbott 1st. For the best bull one year old and over, J. D. Whitten 1st. C. Abbott 2d. For the best cow or heifer three years old and over, C. Abbott 1st, same 2d. For the best cow or heifer two years old and over, C. Abbott 1st. For the best bull calf under one year, C. Abbott 1st, same 2d. For the best heifer calf under one year, C. Abbott 1st, same 2d.

HEREFORDS.
 For the best cow or heifer three years old and over, J. Thomas 1st. For the best cow or heifer two years old and over, Joe Trippier 1st. For the best heifer one year old and under two, Joe Trippier 1st.

DEVONS.
 For the best bull two years old and under three, W. Alexander. For the best bull one year old and under two, W. Alexander 1st, Joe Trippier 2d. For the best cow or heifer three years old and over, Joe Trippier 1st. W. Alexander 2d. For the best bull three years old and over, Joe Trippier 1st. For the best cow or heifer two years old and under three, Joe Trippier 1st, W. Alexander 2d. For the best heifer one year old and under two, Joe Trippier 1st, W. Alexander 2d. For the best bull calf under one year, W. Alexander 1st. Joe Trippier 2d.

POILED ANGUS.
 For the best cow or heifer three years old or over P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best cow or heifer two years old and under three, P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d.

GALLOWAYS.
 For the best bull three years old and over, P. T. Sharp 1st. For the best bull two years old and under three, P. T. Sharp. For the best bull one year old and under two, P. T. Sharp, 1st, same 2d. For the best cow or heifer three years old or over, P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best cow or heifer two years old and under three, P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best heifer one year old and under two, P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best bull calf under one year, P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best heifer calf under one year, P. T. Sharp 1st, same 2d.

GRADES.
 For the best cow two years old or over, John Thomas 1st, E. F. Sharp, 2d. For the best two animals, the produce of the same animal, either sex and under two years, E. F. Sharp 1st. For the best calf under nine months, John Thomas 1st, C. Abbott 2d. For the best cow three years old and over-grade Jersey, W. H. Taylor 1st, John Thomas 2d.

HOLSTEINS.
 For the best cow or heifer three years old and over, W. H. Taylor 1st, John Thomas 2d.

CHAMPION CLASSES.
 For the best bull on the grounds, any age or breed, C. Abbott 1st, P. T. Sharp 2d. For the best milch cow, C. Abbott 1st, C. L. Phillips 2d. For the best herd of one bull and three cows, all of same

breed, Joe Trippier 1st, same 2d. For the best herd of one bull and three of his produce, C. Abbott 1st.

SWINE—BERKSHIRE.
 For the best boar two years old and over, E. F. Sharp 1st. For the best boar one year old, E. F. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best breeding sow two years old and over, E. F. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best sow one year old, E. F. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best sow less than one year old, E. F. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best litter of pigs, E. F. Sharp.

GRADED.
 For the best breeding sow two years old and over, W. H. Taylor 1st, John Thomas 2d. For the best sow one year old, E. F. Sharp 1st, same 2d. For the best litter of pigs, John Thomas 1st, D. McIlvane 2d.

FARM PRODUCTS.
 For the best sample of oats, W. J. Davidson 1st. For the best ten acres of wheat, W. J. Davidson 1st. For the best and largest variety of garden seeds, O. F. Angell 1st. For the best and largest variety of grass seed, W. J. Davidson 1st. For the best sample of Australian club wheat, W. J. Davidson 1st. For the best sample of shelled corn, M. Hill 1st. For the best peck of pop corn, L. L. McCartney 1st. For the best display of meadow grass, W. J. Davidson 1st. For the best display of hops, W. H. Wilson 1st. For the best sample of Webb's beardless barley, R. Palmer 1st. For the best sample of Chevalier barley, R. Palmer 1st. For the best display of grain, W. J. Davidson 1st, same 2d. For the best sample of timothy seed, J. C. Wingfield 1st.

BEES.
 For the best exhibit of bees and mode of handling them, O. F. Angell 1st.

OREGON MANUFACTURES.
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