

AUGUST W. LONGREN, who is one of the well-to-do farmers and stockmen of Wasco county, has gained his property holdings by virtue of his industry and his careful management. He has the satisfaction of knowing that he has paid value received for everything that he owns and although he started with his bare hands he has now a fine property. Where he dwells, one half mile west from Endersly, he has a body of two hundred and forty acres, and eighty more across the road. In addition he owns two lots and a residence in The Dalles, and considerable blooded stock. His place is a valuable one and is well improved.

August W. Longren was born in Sweden, on January 8, 1853, the son of Gustav and Margreta (Peterson) Longren, natives of Sweden, where they also died, on June 1, 1894, and in 1886, respectively. The ancestors were farmers in the old country for many generations. After gaining his education, Mr. Longren left his native country for the United States in 1873. He came direct to Rockford, Illinois, and two years later went to Jamestown, New York. Returning to Rockford, he came thence in 1876, to the Willamette valley, and the next fall to The Dalles. He was employed by the O.R. & N. and ran a scow on the Columbia until 1882, when he took a portion of his present place as a homestead. Since that time he has continued here laboring in that which occupies him now. He has good success, raises hay and potatoes and other crops and breeds stock.

At The Dalles, on October 2, 1886, Mr. Longren married Miss Madama Fleming, who was born in Indiana, Grant county. She came to Oregon for her health in 1884 and dwelt with her cousins, Ephraim and Thomas Badger. Mr. Longren has one brother, Charles F., and two sisters, Sophie Johnson and Mrs. Christine Nilsson, a widow. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Longren: Matilda, aged sixteen; Minna, aged fourteen, and Charles A., aged twelve. Mrs. Longren is a member of the Christ-ian church. Mr. Longren is a Republican, but not especially active, although he is always ready to give his influence for the support of his party. He has always refused to hold any office, although he has frequently been importuned to do so. Mr. Longren has one of the best places on Eightmile creek and he well knows how to skillfully handle it. He is a great reader and spends much time in informing himself on the subjects of the day. He and his wife are popular and esteemed people.