

CATTLE FAIR

Princeton's Cattle Fair Day began October 6, 1869 and was held the first Wednesday of the month for 134 years. An article appearing in the January 5, 1870 weekly newspaper stated "250 head of cattle were on the grounds at the first official fair". A later story in 1876 shared "the 10 saloons had full attendance on Cattle Fair Day". Streets were jammed and hotels were filled with people who arrived by train for the event. While the men were horse trading, women gathered and exchanged recipes, and youngsters wandered amongst the crowd looking for work. Dances were often held at Hubbard Hall on Cattle Fair nights.



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