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This unused postcard view of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, 601 Norway Street, taken by the Solheim Studio in Norway, Michigan, has a Swedish notation dated 1914 on the back. Eighth Avenue deadends in front of this church. Norway's First Methodist Church changed its name to St. Paul's Methodist Church in 1940. In 1958 the Emmanuel Methodist Church, formerly known as the Swedish Methodist Church, and St. Paul's Methodist Church merged their congregations to form the Grace Methodist Church, meeting in this building. In 1964 the Vulcan Methodist Church merged with the Grace Methodist Church. [William J. Cummings]

## SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NORWAY, MICHIGAN

According to the *Illustrated History of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, Norway, Michigan, 1879-1929*, **Rev. John R. Andrews**, the first Swedish Methodist minister to visit Norway, was in charge of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church in Ishpeming, Marquette County, Michigan.

In the fall of 1879 **Rev. O.F. Lindstrom** was appointed the first regular pastor of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal denomination to serve in Norway. At that time there were no churches in Norway, but the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Society was formed in 1879 and a church building was under construction by the end of the year.

An article in the November 15, 1879 edition of Escanaba's *The Iron Port*, under the column heading "Menominee Range" noted: *A new Swedish Methodist church is to be built at Norway at once. Mr. Wendell furnished the society a lot for the church and parsonage, and also subscribed toward its construction quite liberally. The Menominee Mining Co. also gave \$200, and others have donated more or less, according to their means.*

While church records do not state the names of the charter members of the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church, all of the following had joined the church prior to 1885: **C. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Anderson, Gustav Berglund, Mr. and Mrs. John Eklund, Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Haggalin, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Henry, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hollsten, A.O. Klarrel, N.P. Lind, Mr. and Mrs. Oberg and Augusta Rosenquist.**

The church building stood on the crest of Nelson Hill, now Norway Hill.

**Rev. John R. Andrews** was the first pastor to live in Norway.

**Rev. Albert Hallen** arrived in September, 1882, serving the Swedish congregations in Norway and Iron Mountain. Rev. Hallen described Norway at the time of his arrival as "a rather primitive village," noting that "stumps of big trees were still standing in the main street

leading down to the railroad station and in several other places, having been left when the trees were cut down to clear the ground."

Rev. Hallen also remembered traveling to preach in Iron River when that mining town was only a few months old, noting that "the road there was an unbroken forest, where a few years before no white man had put his foot."

"In Norway there was a rather large Swedish population," Rev. Hellen stated. "There were two Swedish churches, one Methodist and one Lutheran. We had a small house of worship, but our services were well attended. The men greatly outnumbered the women and this was still more the case in Iron Mountain, where there were only about five women in a congregation of one hundred."

Rev. Hallen's pastorate in Norway did not last long, as he left for Boston to become assistant to Rev. H. Olson and to study at Boston University.

**Rev. L.G. Edgren** was appointed pastor of the Swedish Methodist churches in Norway and Iron Mountain at the annual session of the Northwest Conference, held in Chicago in the fall of 1886. Many miners had left the area due to a depression, and the congregation consisted of five members: **Mr. and Mrs. John Henry, Mrs. Farm, Mrs. Rosenquist and Mr. Lundgren.** Shortly thereafter economic conditions improved and miners came to Norway with their families.

The congregation did not own a parsonage, but rented a house in which Rev. Edgren lived. With the improved economic conditions the congregation built a parsonage on the lot next to the church which was completed in the spring of 1887.

Sunday school attendance had greatly increased at this time, and consisted of not only children, but many adults. Many Swedish immigrants arrived in Norway at the time and joined the church. **A.J. Anderson**, who was a great help to Rev.

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Edgren, was one of those immigrants. Anderson went to Escanaba and entered the ministry, serving for many years.

In its June 29, 1901 edition under the headline "Want More Room," *The Current* reported: *From the pastor, Reverend B. Howe, of the Swedish Methodist Church, we learned that it has become absolutely necessary to add to the church edifice and that a contract has been let to Axel Newman to move the old building to the west and build an addition on the east side 20x26 feet and an entrance hall and move the present tower to the new part of the house. This will give greater auditorium room and a large class room and make a modern place of worship. The work and material will cost \$1,700.*

Further mention of the church's addition was made in the August 17, 1901 edition of *The Current* as follows: *The Swedish M.E. church building, under the able supervision of builder Newman, is assuming a metropolitan appearance, and will soon be one of the prettiest places of worship in the city. Rev. B. Howe is entitled to much credit for his persistent efforts in bringing about the change.*

Under the headline "Swedish M.E. Church" in the August 31, 1901 edition of *The Current*, the following was reported: *This society will dedicate their new church edifice tomorrow holding three services the afternoon one being in English, and all will be welcome. There will also be a pleasing entertainment to-night to which the public is cordially invited.*

An item in *The Current* on October 18, 1902, noted: *Rev. A. Strom, the new pastor of the Swedish M.E. church in this city, was a caller at this office, Tuesday. Rev. Storm was formerly stationed at Menominee.*

The following announcement appeared in the October 10, 1908 edition of *The Current*: *Rev. C. Hammer, will remove to Norway in a few days, he having been appointed to that charge at the recent*

*session of the conference at St. Paul. - Negaunee Iron Herald.*

In the October 31, 1908 edition of *The Current*, under "Current Comment" the following was noted: *The members of the Swedish M.E. church, received Saturday evening in honor of Rev. and Mrs. C. Hammer.*

In the February 11, 1909 edition of *The Current*, under "Current Comment" the following announcement appeared: *English services at the Swedish Methodist church Sunday night. Preaching by the Rev. O.M. Anderson.*

In 1911 **Rev. G.A. Shugren** was appointed pastor. At that time Old Town, where Norway was originally located, was dangerous due to mining excavations, and the commercial district was moved to its present location.

Under the leadership of Rev. Shugren, the old church on the Nelson Hill (now Norway Hill) was sold and new property was acquired.

The tearing down of the old Swedish Methodist Church began on May 31, 1913, preparatory to reerecting the church on Norway's south side.

In its July 26, 1913 edition, *The Current* reported: *The new Swedish M.E. church being erected on Norway street will be ready for occupancy in about three weeks and pastor Schugren is much pleased with the prospect of a more convenient and modern place of worship.*

**Rev. L.G. Edgren** succeeded **Rev. G.A. Schugren** in 1914. At that time the congregation still owned the parsonage constructed on Nelson Hill under Rev. Edgren's first pastorate in 1886. Once again Rev. Edgren assumed leadership for the erection of a new parsonage near the new church. Much of the work on the house was performed by men from the congregation who volunteered their labor and thus the parsonage was erected for a nominal sum.

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An article in the March 13, 1915 edition of *The Current* reported: *The new parsonage of the Swedish M.E. church on Norway street is expected to be ready for occupancy about May 1st, and it is to the credit of members of the congregation that the building work has been going on thus far without the outpay of a single dollar. There is a crew of willing workers interested in the undertaking of making the parsonage one of the cosiest residences on that street and the whole congregation, especially their genial pastor, L.G. Edgren, is rightfully proud of the accomplishment. The building is to be equipped with a hot air heating plant which is being installed by Bourgeois and DeMelle.*

### PASTORS WHO HAVE SERVED THE NORWAY CHURCH

Rev. O.F. Lindstrom.....	1879-
Rev. John R. Andrews.....	1881-1882
Rev. Albert Hallen.....	1882-1883
Rev. Carl Nord.....	1883-
Rev. P.A. Johnson.....	1884-
Rev. Peter Frost.....	1884-
Rev. H. Hanson.....	1885-
Rev. L. Brynelsen.....	1885-1886
Rev. L.G. Edgren.....	1886-1889
Rev. A.C. Pedersen.....	1889-
Rev. A. Sigurdson.....	1889-1890
Rev. P.M. Johnson.....	1890-1892
Rev. O.W. Carlson.....	1892-1895
Rev. Klaus Akerman.....	1895-1896
Rev. A. Carlson.....	1896-1897
Rev. C.G. Lindberg.....	1897-1899
Rev. Bernt Howe.....	1899-1902
Rev. Axel Strom.....	1902-1905
Rev. K.M. Wilkins.....	1905-1907
Rev. Edwin Stromberg.....	1907-1908
Rev. Carl Hammer.....	1908-1910
Rev. Louis Johnson.....	1910-1911
Rev. G.A. Shugren.....	1911-1914
Rev. L.G. Edgren.....	1914-1917
Rev. A.G. Olson.....	1917-1919
Rev. John Bostrom.....	1919-1920
Rev. Oscar Chindberg.....	1920-1921

Rev. Charles. J. Swanson.....	1921-1922
Rev. Perry Thompson.....	1922-1923
Rev. C.G. Lindberg.....	1923-1928
Rev. Karl J. Hammar.....	1928-

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Rev. Louis Johnson.....	1910-1911
Rev. G.A. Schugren.....	1911-1914
Rev. L.G. Edgren.....	1914-1917
Rev. A.G. Olson.....	1917-1919
Rev. John Bostrom.....	1919-1920
Rev. Oscar Chindberg.....	1920-1921
Rev. Charles J. Swanson.....	1921-1922
Rev. Perry Thompson.....	1922-1923
Rev. C.G. Lindberg.....	1923-1928
Rev. Karl J. Hammar.....	1930-1934
Rev. T.G. Olson.....	1934-1939
Rev. Emil Malstrom.....	1934-1939
Rev. Charles J. Swanson.....	1939-1947
Rev. Emil Malstrom.....	1947-1948
Rev. John A. Larsen.....	1948-1958

Norway's First Methodist Church was organized in 1879 as an outgrowth of the Methodist Church in Quinnesec. Its first church was built in 1880 and replaced in 1898. Fire destroyed this building, and the present structure was erected in 1909. In 1940 the name was changed to St. Paul's Methodist Church. St. Paul's and Emmanuel (Swedish) Methodist Churches united in 1958 to form the present Grace congregation. In 1964 the Vulcan Methodist Church merged with Grace Church.

Groundbreaking for a joint church building project between the congregation of Bethany Lutheran Church and Grace United Methodist Church in Norway was held on Sunday, July 13, 2008. Over 50 people gathered for the ceremony and prayer service in a blessing of the site. This was an historical event since the history and heritage of both churches dated back almost 130 years.

## Local History Resources On-Line at the Dickinson County Library

A long-term dream of local historian William J. Cummings has been realized at the Dickinson County Library through the efforts of staff members as his personal files of area history are now accessible on-line on the Library's website ([www.dcl-lib.org](http://www.dcl-lib.org)) for all to use free of charge.

The archive concentrates on the area's early history, particularly late nineteenth century and early twentieth century material, but more recent items can also be found.

There are seven basic files for the material. An index is provided at the beginning of each file to help researchers locate information. There are many subdivisions within each index.

The seven files are listed below. The numbers in parentheses after each main category indicate the number of pages of information currently contained therein.

**The Menominee Range (File 1 – 1,759 pages)** contains the following main categories: Biographies (313); Early Explorations (48); Early Newspaper Accounts (503); Fires (130); Iron Mining (515); Mining Accidents (91); Trading Posts and Ferries (17); Native American Legends (7); Newspapers (57); Photographers and Photo Studios (78).

**Dickinson County (File 2 – 6,243 pages)** contains the following main categories: Accidental Deaths, Drownings, Suicides (26); Agriculture and Fairs (182); Births, Obituaries, Weddings Printed in Early Newspapers (8); Celebrations, Circuses, Contests and Parades (58); Cemeteries (35); Chamber of Commerce (2); Churches (313); City of Iron Mountain (1,049); City of Kingsford (53); City of Norway (176); County Government (80); Crime and Prohibition (200); Dickinson County Festival of the Arts Booklets 1979-1993 (795); Dickinson County Reminiscences – Iron Mountain, Kingsford, Vulcan (174); Early Place and Street Names and Miscellaneous Locations (31); Entertainment (182); Ethnic Groups (98); Ford Motor Company (376); Game and Wildlife (47); Geographic Features (40); Hospitals, Doctors, Nurses, Dentists, Optometrists, Veterinarians (108); Hotels, Motels and Boarding Houses (30); Industrial Development (6); Logging and Lumbering (85); Michigan State Police Post (2);

Military (567); Miscellaneous Amusing, Humorous and Interesting Incidents (21); Residences for Sale or Under Construction (16); Schools and Libraries (321); Sports (44); Townships of Breen (20), Breitung (254), Felch (53), Norway (122), Sagola (125), Waucedah (123) and West Branch (12); Transportation (332); Transportation – Sinking of the Titanic – Local Connection (18); U.S. Postal Service (15); Utility Companies and Water Supplies (37); and Weather and Natural Disasters (7).

**Iron County History (File 3 – 191 pages)** contains the following main categories: Iron River Township – Iron River and Stambaugh News Columns (58); Mansfield Township – Mansfield News Columns (1); Crystal Falls and Mastodon News Columns – Crystal Falls Items Found in the Florence Mining News (132)

**Menominee County History (29 pages)** contains the following main categories: Faithorn Township – Faithorn News Columns (4); Meyer Township – Hermansville – Early Newspaper Accounts (9); Spalding Township – Powers – Early Newspaper Accounts (16).

**Florence County, Wisconsin, History (File 5 – 196 pages)** contains the following main categories: Florence Township – Florence News Columns (62); Commonwealth Township – Spread Eagle News Columns (22); Explorations for Ore in Florence County by Hiram D. Fisher (4); Willie Dickinson Kidnapping (29); The House Atop the Hill, an Historic Home That Became the Chippewa Club, including Willie Dickinson kidnapping information (47); Louis Cronin Mudge and Mina Mudge, infamous father and daughter involved in early prostitution (32).

**Marinette County, Wisconsin, History (File 6 – 71 pages)** contains the following main categories: Niagara Township – Amberg – Pike (2); Niagara – Niagara News Columns (60); Niagara Paper Mills at the Lower Quinnesec Falls (5); The History of My Community by Louis Krenn (3).

**Commercial District Designations for Archive Files (File 7 – 4 pages)** contains the following main categories: Agricultural Implements and Supplies; Agriculture; Automobiles; Beverages; Carpentry and

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Cabinetmakers' Shops; Chain Stores; Chamber of Commerce; Cigar Manufacturers/Cigars and Tobacco; Clothing; Communications Services; Construction; Commercial Associations; Department Stores; Dynamite Companies/Power Companies; Education (Business Colleges); Employment Agencies and Agents; Entertainment; Express Companies/Express Agents; Financial Institutions; Foods; Funeral Homes, Funeral Directors, Undertakers, Embalmers; Furniture; Furs; General Merchandise Stores/Cooperative Societies; General Stores; Greenhouses, Florists; Gunsmiths; Hardware Stores; Heating and Fuel; Horse and Buggy; House Movers; Ice Houses, Ice Men, Refrigerators; Installment Goods; Insurance Agencies, Insurance Agents; Land Records; Law Offices, Lawyers, Attorneys; Lodging; Machine Shops, Machinists; Miscellaneous Goods and Services; Monument and Tombstone Manufacturers; Music; Newspapers; Newsstands; Painters, Paper Hangers and Decorators; Pawn Shops, Pawn Brokers; Personal Health and Grooming; Photography Studios, Photographers; Print Shops, Printers; Public Transportation; Transportation; Travel; Utilities; Wholesale Dealers.

The following additional historical files are also available on the Local History tab on the Library's website:

**Menominee Range Memories – The Rest of the Story:** Beginning in December 2015, Iron Mountain-Kingsford's The Daily News began publishing historical articles written by William J. Cummings. Expanded versions of these articles along with additional photographs are contained in these files and are added as they become available. Currently there are 47 articles in this collection.

**Local History PowerPoint Presentations:** These presentations by William J. Cummings include a wide variety of topics from the Menominee Range, as well as several "how to" genealogical programs. There is no audio with these slides, but there is an abundance of information and many historic photographs. Currently there are 27 presentations in the

collection which will expand as more PowerPoints are developed.

**Historic Photographs:** William J. Cummings has compiled and captioned hundreds of historic photographs from his personal collection, the archives of the Menominee Range Historical Foundation and more, organized by geographic area. The historic photograph collection expands continually. Many files were updated this past summer (marked by an asterisk). Included are: Dickinson County – Townships of Breen\*, Breitung\*, Felch\*, Norway\*, Sagola\*, Waucedah\* and West Branch\*; City of Iron Mountain (Stephenson Avenue, Other Business District Streets, North Side and Lake Antoine\*, Schools); City of Kingsford, Including the Ford Plant); City of Norway; Pine Mountain Ski Jump and Resort; Menominee Range Iron Mines; Iron County – Crystal Falls\*, Iron River\*, Stambaugh\*, Smaller Settlements\*; Florence County, Wisconsin – Commonwealth\*, Florence\*, Spread Eagle\*; and Marinette County, Wisconsin – Niagara\*.

**Dickinson County Business Listings, 1879-1928:** William J. Cummings compiled this 105-page listing from information contained in the *R.L. Polk's Michigan Gazetteer and Business Directory* for the following years: 1879, 1881, 1885, 1887-1888, 1889, 1891-1892, 1895-1896, 1901, 1903-1904, 1905-1906, 1907-1908, 1909-1910, 1911-1912, 1913-1914, 1915-1916, 1917-1918, 1919-1920, 1921-1922, 1923-1924, 1925-1926, 1927-1928.

**City Directories and Gazetteer Information:** The Local History Collection at the Main Branch includes many valuable city directories for Dickinson County. A few resources are also available in digital format. New content was added in 2019.

**Annotated Bibliography for Dickinson and Iron Counties, The Menominee Iron Range, and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan:** This 63-page annotated bibliography was compiled by William J. Cummings and updated in 2019.

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farm in the badger state, but other competent witnesses appear to be of a different mind. Mr. O'Connell had nothing to do with locating the bridge, that business was done by **Mr. Chas. Loughrey**, of **Florence**, and **Capt. Davidson**, of **Commonwealth**, and these gentlemen say they will have a road to that point before the bridge is completed, notwithstanding [what] Pixley thinks, or pretends to think, that it is impossible to open a road to it. It is hardly likely that any committee of sensible men would locate a bridge at a point in accessible [sic – inaccessible] to the very people the bridge is designed to accommodate.

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### Personal and Social.

**Will Flack**, clerk in **Crocker's grocery store**, spent the Fourth at his home in Appleton.

**Mrs. Dr. Cameron** and little daughter started Tuesday for her annual visit to her home in Canada.

**Milton Parmelee** returned from Ypsilanti, where he has been attending college the past three years, on the 3d.

**Jay W. Hoose** has been under the physician's care the past two weeks, and is afflicted with **erysipelas in the face**.

**Henry La Duke** was in this city last Tuesday and Wednesday. He says he is doing very well in **Menominee**, which his many friends will be glad to hear.

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**CONSIDERING** the damage done by the heavy wagons of a circus like **Forepaugh's** to the streets and crossings of our city, the amount they pay for license is certainly none too much. We doubt if \$25 will repair the damage done by the **Forepaugh circus**.

OVER \$200 has been subscribed for the clearing up and fencing of **base ball [sic – baseball] grounds** just west of the city limits, near **Ludington street**. The place chosen is a beautiful level spot with a grove in one corner where the **grand stand will be**. The new ground will be ready for use in about two weeks.

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### That Telephone Exchange.

We began to wonder if that **telephone exchange** which was talked of some time ago, and for which the majority of our business men subscribed, was going to materialize, and asked **Russell Jones** about it. We learned that a man is expected here in a week or two to make the final arrangements, and probably it will be in operation before snow flies.

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**MR. MEMAMIN**, representing **Barnhart Bros. & Spindler**, arrived in this city last Thursday, and the following day **instituted foreclosure proceedings upon a mortgage held by his house, covering the press, engine, boiler, shafting, and a**

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portion of the other material in the Journal office. We trust Mr. Berry will be able to make a satisfactory settlement before the day of sale, which is to take place next Monday.

**FOREPAUGH'S** circus advertised extensively that Dr. Carver would be one of its attractions. We didn't see him here, however, probably for the reason that our eyesight couldn't reach to Paris, where Dr. Carver has been performing with **Buffalo Bill** for a good many months past. We saw Dr. Carver on Forepaugh's posters, however, all right, and his picture looked very much weirdly western. Probably that was enough for the multitude.

**ONE** of the heaviest wagons of the Forepaugh circus, with 24 horses attached, was ditched near Contarini's saloon yesterday forenoon. In order to make the turn at the corner of Hughitt street and Carpenter avenue the teamsters got off the road bed, and the wagon was mired, the front wheels jerked from under it, and the horses made a break for liberty. They were finally controlled after some lively work, but the residents of that vicinity were treated to a little excitement that was not looked for.

A **BASE** ball [*sic* – **BASEBALL**] club from this city goes to Iron Mountain tomorrow [*sic* – tomorrow] to mop the earth with the Mountaineers. **Amsler and Juttner will form the battery**, and there is no doubt but they will come home victorious[.] – **Menominee Democrat**.

The way the Menominee club "mopped up the earth with the Mountaineers" was to get left on a score of 9 to 10 in favor of Iron Mountain, and our club played eight innings to their nine. **Joe** is like the fellow who climbed the pasture fence to sling a bull around by the tail – he had his laugh before hand.

**CASPER C. STEPHENSON** was appointed postmaster at Escanaba last

Saturday. It has been an open secret for a long time that Cas. was the man, when the time came. It is now permitted us to say that the office will be removed to Harrison street, one door north of Ludington, as soon as John Semer can get the building ready. It will extend from the rear of the store occupied by **Erickson & Bissell** to the alley, and the ground floor will be arranged to accommodate the postoffice, the United States taking a five years lease of it. **The second floor of the building will be occupied by the Iron Port printing house. – Port.**

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**CHARLES PARENT** is having his old store building painted, which adds much to its appearance.

WE call the attention of our readers to the announcement in our advertising columns, that the drug store in in [*sic*] **Tullgren's building** will be reopened in a few days with a competent pharmacist in charge. Everything will be new, says the advertisement, even the bottles, and patrons can be assured of prompt and careful attendance.

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## Card of Thanks.

The members of **Fire Company No. 2** desire to express their thanks to those people of this city who contributed so liberally toward the purchase of uniforms for the company. The pride



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manifested by the people of the first and second wards in the appearance of their fire company is appreciated by the members thereof, who will strive to make themselves worthy of compliment bestowed.

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### Look Out for the Dogs.

A big black and white dog attacked a little girl in front of Schuldes' store this morning. Dominick Walsh happened to be near by [*sic – nearby*] and went to the girl's rescue when the dog turned upon him, and Walsh kept him at bay with some difficulty. Afterwards he secured a revolver and shot the dog, but unfortunately only succeeded in wounding it. Every dog should be muzzled [*in*] this hot weather if allowed to run on the streets.

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### Newspaper News.

No. 1, Vol. 1, of the Gladstone Express, by Phil. J. McKenna, has been received. Phil. being at the head of the concern it is, of course, a clean, well edited paper, and for the same reason is, of course, democratic in politics. We fancy two papers in Gladstone will crowd each other a little, but we hope the new comer will find the field large enough to give it standing room.

There is talk of a democratic paper being started in Iron River. If this proposition is carried out it means

starvation for either the new venture or O'Brien's excellent paper – undoubtedly the former. **The Reporter** is a good paper and should have the united support of the people of Iron River.

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### Our Little Vacation.

The writer took a trip to **Crystal Falls** last Saturday – the first in several months – and found the town wearing its usual appearance. Business looked a little dull, but apparently considerable was being done in a quiet way. The **Lockwood house**, under the management of the popular landlord, **D.C. Lockwood**, takes care of its guests with the same solicitude for their comfort as ever. **Atkinson** was just leaving for a quiet Sunday at **Spread Eagle lakes**, so we only had time to say "How do" to him, but his help appeared to be busy, and **Claude** wears a contented, prosperous look. **Doucet** had time to sit in front of his place and give us his opinion of **Judge Grant**. **Parks Bros., Lustfield, Kimball & Co.**, and in fact all the merchants were more or less busy, but had time to be more busy if the occasion demanded. **Ed. Gustafson** is farming on his homestead, and makes hay while the sun shines and boats while it rains. People must eat, and **John Fisher** was busy – had only time for a word with us, and to renew his subscription for another year. **D. Bannerman** is the same enthusiastic democrat "from the ground up," as of yore, and did not give us a chance to forget it. **Hendricks** is so busy he hasn't time to read the papers and when a man is in that unhappy predicament he ought to employ

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help. Considerable building is going on in Crystal Falls, the streets are in good condition, and the village wears a look of prosperity that is good to see.

*The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 17 [Thursday, July 18, 1889], page 1, column 4*

### Reckless Shooting.

The night officers complain that some foolish young fellows are in the habit of shooting off their revolvers after dark, much to the alarm of quiet and decent citizens, who naturally suppose that murder is being committed. On Monday night three young fellows who were feeling very mellow staggered against the fruit stand which Dominick Contarini has erected alongside of his saloon on Hughitt street, and the alarmed Italian, in his night dress, threw up his window and fired three shots in all directions, and were non est *[return of a writ or summons when the person to be arrested or served with it cannot be found]* when officer Milliman arrived upon the scene. Contarini was very indignant, and wandered about the streets half the night looking for the disturbers of his midnight rest. The young fellows were scared enough to make them stop midnight frolics for a considerable time to come.

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### Forepaugh's Circus.

The city yesterday had quite a holiday appearance, with the crowds

who came from surrounding towns, and our own people, who turned out to see the "greatest show on earth" (?) Whatever Forepaugh's circus may have been, it is now only great in pretensions. It makes quite a show in its street parade, but the performance presents very few features of interest. There were some fair acrobatic feats performed, the trapeze pony did jump from one swinging trapize *[sic - trapeze]* to another, which being new is worthy of note, and a pony was carefully led forth and back on a plank some ten feet above a strong net spread to catch him if he should fall. The wild west part of the performance was a novelty and therefore interesting; but the ring performance was decidedly commonplace. We expected more from Forepaugh – perhaps expected more than we should – but certainly have seen better in circuses of much less pretensions. We will, however, give the men with whom we had business dealings credit for being a gentlemanly lot of fellows, and we should like to give their show a better "send off."

*The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 17 [Thursday, July 18, 1889], page 1, column 5*

### Circus Day Happenings.

There are always some foolishly reckless persons who carry an unnecessary amount of money about them when attending a circus or mixing up in any other large assembly of people where thieves, swindlers and pickpockets are sure to be. One lady we hear of who displayed two \$20 bills at the Forepaugh ticket wagon, and the ticket seller asked her to exchange them for small bills. This she consented to do and passed over \$40 in two \$20 bills,

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but the act complained of should be such as is directly calculated to disturb the peaceful, or give scandal, and when the promoters of such a crusade take notice of trifles, the end sought to be attained, is by themselves defeated. The charge against Charles Wong was on a par with charges made against nine-tenths of the alleged desecrators, and his prosecution for such an act, even if it was technically a violation of the law on the subject, was entirely barren of good result. If the act for which Wong was fined was wrongful, so it is wrongful for the house servant to go to the clean shirt receptical on Sunday morning, and carry therefrom to the hands of any member of the family an article for Sunday wear. The gentleman who made these complaints put on clean shirts Saturday night or went without all day Sunday or otherwise some member of the family committed a breach of the Sunday law and like Charlie Wong, should pay \$8.55. **Give the celestial back his money gentlemen and go gunning for larger game.** Larger game abounds at Iron Mountain and for that matter, so it does here.

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## PERSONAL POINTERS.

**Harry Truscott**, everybody hereabout knows royal good hearted Harry, returned from his extended visit to his home at Cornwall, England, last Saturday and since then has been renewing acquaintances and looking over the vast improvements about our city. **He was a passenger on the steamer Majestic, which came over in 5 days, 18 hours and 8 minutes, the**

**fastest time ever made crossing the Atlantic.**

Mr. and Mrs. **A. Patenaude** and daughter, **Irene**, the Misses **Kate** and **Libbie Burns**, **Mary Mullins**, **Sarah Beahan** and others are at **Spread Eagle camping** and from those who have visited their camp, we learn they are having a royal good time. They left for their outing last Saturday morning and intend remaining at the above beautiful chain o'lakes ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. **P. N. Kippenberg** and daughter arrived here from Milwaukee, Friday to visit with Mrs. Kippenburg's parents. Miss **Jennie Husson**, who has been visiting in the above city returned with them.

Mrs. **Jos. Bergeron** and family spent last week at the **Spread Eagle hotel**. They are to go out again but will take tents instead of being housed up and enjoy the outing such as camping only affords.

Miss **Helen Ford**, of **Iron Mountain**, visited her friends here, Monday. She was called home by the illness of **John Ford**, her brother.

Miss **Carrie Roche** arrived here this week from a trip in lower Michigan. She is to **again teach at Iron Mountain** this year.

**Mrs. J.J. Eskil** of Florence, and Miss **Jennie Bordewich** of Chicago, visited with Mr. and Mrs. **R. Bordewich**, Monday.

Miss **Helen McPhail**, to teach in the **primary department of the Norway schools**, is expected here in about ten days.

**W.R. Nursey** was here Saturday afternoon trying to **finish up the soliciting for his write up of the range.**

Miss **Carrie Colwell**, of the **Iron Mountain postoffice**, was in the city visiting her parents, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. **Richard Banfield** and son, left Thursday for **Ironwood** where she will visit her daughter.

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## CURRENT NOTES.

–The first holes for the telephone poles were dug Wednesday morning.

–A free-for-all fight occurred at Vulcan, Monday night, after a dance. No one seriously hurt.

–Every available turnout in this city went to Quinnesec, Saturday afternoon, to the foot race.

–Hon. M.J. Doyle of the "Soo," has sold out his residence and intend [*sic – intends*] to make Iron Mountain his home in the future.

–Marinelli & Co., Phelps building, are [*sic – is*] selling groceries at Green Bay prices with freight alone added to the cost.

–The old building to be used as a bakery by John Brachette is being re-shingled and otherwise improved. An addition is being built over the oven at the rear of the building.

–A night switching crew has been put on here, showing that ore shipments are improving somewhat. Thomas Shea is yardmaster for the night crew.

–A wreck occurred at Quinnesec Saturday afternoon, in which several cars were derailed and badly broken up. The platform of the depot was badly torn up by the derailed cars. No one injured.

–Ed. Johnson has been installed as clerk of the Hotel Husson, and has fairly got his hand into business. He is an accommodating young man, honest and is not afraid of work. We wish him success in his new position.

–John King has sold out his saloon at Iron Mountain and intends turning his attention to wrestling. He is now at Red

Jacket, undergoing training for a match with Carkeek for a purse of \$1,000. The wrestling, we understand, is to take place in about four weeks.

–A case between a young man of about 20 and a woman of 45 or more summers was called at Judge Flanagan's court, Monday. It is hardly necessary to state that the complaint was made by the woman. He promised faithfully to marry the woman [*sic – woman*] in question. The twain hail from Vulcan.

–We understand that the young men, spending the summer at the New York farm, are anxious to play a game of ball with a Norway team. These young men play good ball and play for the fun they get out of the game. Chas. Spalding, a pitcher of more than ordinary merit[,] is expected at the farm soon and after his arrival the team is ready to cross bats with our club.

–We learn that Mr. R.C. Browning[,] who has been so long book-keeper and cashier for the P.I.M. Co., at Norway, has been moved to the Vulcan office of the same company. Some changes are being made, the exact nature of which we are not informed, but it is probable that Cashier Copeland will be promoted, Mr. S.R. Hews will succeed Mr. Copeland and Mr. Browning will fill the position now filled by Mr. Hewes.

–Mr. William Pascoe[,] who has been for so long, the foreman blacksmith at the East Vulcan mine, left Thursday of last week to take a like position at the Osceola mill in Houghton Co. Mr. Pascoe, during his sojourn at East Vulcan, has shown himself to be a mechanic of far more than ordinary ability and a gentleman socially and the community loses, by his departure, a valuable citizen and the Penn Co., a faithful and skilled employe. May he prosper in his new home.

–Wednesday, Messrs. Ryan and Larson, of Ironwood[,] arrived here, and

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that night a match was made between the latter and **George Wright** for a foot race of **100 yards**, for \$500 a side. The race will take place at **Quinnesec**, Tuesday afternoon of next week, and \$250 a side forfeit money has been put up. The Ironwood gentlemen returned home, Thursday morning and will come back with a few more shekels, Monday. Because of our being at Ironwood during the tournament last week we have been besieged with questions as to Larson's identity and ability. We will say that we do not know who he is or where he came from to Ironwood, that we never saw him run a foot, that he was introduced to us in Ironwood as one of the city firemen, that the Ironwood fire laddies bank considerable on his ability to run, and that all we had in any way to do with his coming to Norway, was to hand him a telegram received last Monday from Geo. Wright, asking if he could come to Norway to make a match. Who he may be if he isn't Larson we have no means of finding out, and we wouldn't tell if we knew.

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### PERSONAL POINTERS.

**P. Molignoni** is planning a trip to his native land and hopes to have his business so arranged that he may leave here next month. His stay in Europe will be of some months duration.

**S.F. Clark** was at **Menominee** and **Marinette** early in the week. He put in some time while there looking up friends of twenty years ago and he found quite a number of them.

**Mrs. Finnegan**, wife of **Edward Finnegan**, druggist, will arrive here next week. They are to reside in the rooms over the **drug store**.

**Mr. La Combe**, father of **Agent La Combe**, has been visiting here. He went with the party to **Spread Eagle**, Sunday.

**W.R. Nursey** was here again, Monday, gathering notes for his write-up of the **range towns and industries**.

**P.N. Kippenburg** is again back to his old love – traveling for a soap house. He is a successful salesman.

**Miss Rouse** and Master **Geo. Rouse**, of **Nadeau**, visited Mr. and Mrs. **La Combe**, over Sunday.

**Mr. Jackson**[.] of **Oconto**, is running things at the depot in the absence of **Agent La Combe**.

**A.N. LaCombe** and family, [sic] went to **Whitewater, Wis.**, early in the week for a visit.

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## THE "KID" WON IT.

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"HUTCHINSON" NOT IN IT –  
THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS  
CHANGED HANDS –  
NORWAYITES WIN  
MOST OF IT

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The world renowned sprinter, running under the assumed name of **James "Hutchinson"**, and who is, his **Marinette** and **Menominee** backers claim – none other than **James Collins** better known as "**Cuckoo**" **Collins** of **Edgerton, Wis.**, – was

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beaten in a 100-yard race by **Geo. M. Wright**, of this city at **Quinnesec**, Saturday afternoon. The race, as stated last week in *THE CURRENT*, was brought about by **under-sheriff Stiles[,] of Menominee[,]** and **Dr. Frank Gregory[,] of Marinette**, and the stakes were \$500 a side. The start was by mutual consent the run to the line limited to thirty feet. The two sprinters came on the track at 3:30 and began scoring soon after, and before the start was made they scored eight times. At fifty yards Wright was three yards in the lead and at seventy-five yard, Hutchinson closely followed and at the finish was but about one foot behind. **Betting on both sides was liberal, some betting as high as \$100 a side, and it is estimated that \$4,000 changed hands.** The Norway sports of course won, some of them to the extent of hundreds of dollars. Many of the Iron Mountain sporting men[,] prejudiced against the Norway sprinter, bet their money on the outside man and as usual, dropped their pile. Menominee and Marinette were represented by about a dozen gentlemen, who, from their own estimate of losses, returned home Saturday night less \$1,700 or maybe \$2,000. Again it is proven that this neck of the woods has a runner who can meet almost all comers and a statement was made publicly on the track Saturday, by Wright and his trainer[,] that a match would be made with anyone in this country between then and Sept. 1, for \$1,000. It is rumored that when measuring the course for the race, 110 yards was measured, instead of 100 as was stated in the articles governing the race, but our man won just the same. **About 500 people witnessed the race.**

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## Ramblings.

**Tim Sullivan**, yard master at **Crystal Falls**, for the **C. & N-W. Ry.**, was injured by being caught under some ore cars yesterday afternoon. It is said that he will lose both legs.

The new block being built by **J.R. Wood** at **Iron Mountain**, will when finished, sometime in October, be one of the finest in the county. The outer walls are of **Iron Mountain sandstone[,]** the partition walls of brick and the rest wood. It is 130 ft. front and 70 ft. deep. **The first story will contain six good store rooms and the second story will have a hall about 35x90 ft. and a large number of fine office rooms.** The work is being well done and when finished the building will be a great addition to Iron Mountain's permanent improvements.

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## Spread Eagle Budget.

**Station agent La Combe** found out how cold the lake water was, Sunday.

Little **Irene Patenaude** caught a good sized fish in the **west lake** last week.

**Bob. Henderson** visited **Spread Eagle** quite often during last week. He had reason to, don't yer-known.

**Hundreds of people** from along the range, camp at the beautiful place every week in summer. If there was a first-class hotel at the lakes many more would go and spend some of the hot summer days at the resort.

**A. Patenaude** and family and guests broke camp, Monday, after a ten days' outing. There was nothing to mar their

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home bore evidence of the holiday season in the heavy arches of holly in the doorways. Notwithstanding the severe cold, a large company assembled and were regaled with a treat in the musical program rendered during the afternoon. There was a piano duet by the **Bitterly brothers**. The vocalists were **Mrs. LeVeque**, **Dr. Menistrina**, **Prof. Elkin**, of Florence, and little **Miss Elkin** and little **Miss Bishop**, aged four, who all kindly responded to frequent recalls. The numbers especially enjoyed by the writer were the duet by Mrs. LeVeque and Prof. Elkin, the duet by Dr. Menestrina and Prof. Elkin, from Verdi's opera *Il Trovatore*, and a solo by little Miss Elkin, "Sing, Sweet Bird." Dainty refreshments were served, the last course of which was fancy bonbons, the contents adding the last touch to the many beautiful costumes. All present voted Dr. and Mrs. M. accomplished entertainers.

The **Drawing Room club** will meet with **Mrs. Crocker** next Monday afternoon.

Born, to **Dr. and Mrs. Bangs**, on Sunday morning last, a son.

**John, Richard and Henry Sampson**, of **Norway**, left Thursday morning via the St. Paul road for **Hancock**, having been summoned to the bedside of a sister, **Mrs. Pearce**, who is not expected to live.

**A.J. Brazeau** was in the city several days this week visiting friends. He now hails from Kaukauna.

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### Personal and Social News.

**Dr. Gaston**, of **Metropolitan**, **Judge Hay**, of **Norway**, and **Dr. Dockery**, of **Sagola**, were in the city last Monday attending the annual meeting of the poor commissioners.

**John T. Jones** and family left last Friday evening for Pittsburg to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jones' aged mother, who died suddenly that day. They will be absent for several weeks.

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### LOCAL NEWSITES.

**George Fercarler**, a woodsman employed in **Hamilton & Merryman's camp** on Pine river, is in the hospital with a badly wounded left leg. His axe slipped and cut deeply into the flesh and bone.

**Messrs. Kelly, Wittenberg and Dillon** were in the city last Saturday attending a meeting of the **courthouse committee**. Plans were submitted by **N.B. Parmelee & Son**, of this city; **A.W. Maas**, of Marinette; **Charlton, Gilbert & Demar**, of Marquette; **W.F. Hilgren & Co.**, of Cedarburg, Wis., and a number of others. The estimated cost of the buildings ranged from \$17,000 to \$30,000. No decision was arrived at. The committee will meet again next Monday to formulate its report to the board of supervisors.

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The plans for the new **Hotel Wood** were received last Sunday and the carpenters are now at work.

It was twenty-five degrees below zero last Saturday morning and twenty degrees below on Sunday morning.

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### Death of Mrs. Pearce.

**Mrs. W.W. Pearce**, sister of **John D., Richard M. and Henry Sampson**, of **Norway**, died at the home of her parents, in **Hurontown, Houghton county**, at eight o'clock last Sunday morning. Mrs. Pearce was twenty-seven years of age. She lived at **Duluth** after her marriage, but was brought to Houghton about a month ago in order that she might have a mother's care during her prolonged illness, which dates from last June. It was also thought that a change in climate might be beneficial. She grew gradually worse, however, until finally death claimed its victim and relieved [*sic - relieved*] her from her sufferings. Her death was a sad blow to the young husband and other relatives. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.

### Death of Goerge [*sic - George*] Karkeet.

**George Karkeet**, an old resident of **Calumet**, died at his son's residence Tuesday night last at ten o'clock, of stomach trouble. Mr. Karkeet was sixty-eight years of age and had been a resident of the copper country for the past thirty-eight years. He leaves five sons - **Thomas**, of **Calumet**; **John**, of **Iron Mountain**; **William**, of **Ishpeming**; **Richard**, of **Commonwealth**, and **George**, of **Cripple Creek**. Two daughters are also left to mourn his death - **Mrs. J.H. Kavern**

and **Miss Anna Karkeet**. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at Calumet.

### Death of Nettie Scott.

Miss **Nettie**, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Stanley Scott**, died very suddenly last Saturday. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon from the Presbyterian church and was largely attended, her schoolmates attending in a body. She was a bright, lovable little miss and her death was a sad blow to relatives and her many friends.

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### Engaged Another Pharmacist.

**Will H. Rezin**, a graduate pharmacist, arrived from Rhinelander, Wis., to accept a position in **Seibert's Central Drug Store**, an increase of business rendering it necessary to employ more help. Mr. Rezin comes highly recommended as a competent dispenser of drugs and as a gentleman.

### Rich Specimens.

**Arthur Flatt** has received a number of decidedly rich gold specimens from **Robert Flaherty**, who is now superintendent of a gold mine in the **Rainy river country**. The specimens are much richer than any that have been received from the **Cripple Creek camp**.

### A New Post-Office.

A post-office has again been established at **Granite Bluff**, this county, and **Calex D. Therrien** has been appointed postmaster.

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### COMMERCIAL HOTEL.

**It Will Close Its Doors to the Public  
One week from To-day.**

**Manager Ouhwaaite** [sic – **Outhwaite**], of the **Commercial Hotel**, has notified the star-boarders to seek pastures new on and after Saturday next. After breakfast on that day the keys will be turned in the doors and the public barred. Mr. Outhwaite's lease does not expire until the latter part of February, but he has a pleasant sufficiency of endeavoring to please an exacting public with the house in its present condition. Just at present Mr. Outhwaite is "stumped" as to whom to pay rent, and has about decided to keep his money until he receives some guarantee that he is not purchasing a law suit. Up to date he has been paying the rent to Chicago parties who hold a mortgage on the property, but the **Commercial Bank** now appears to be in possession by virtue of a recent chancery sale. As near as we can learn **Mrs. Chellew** owns the furniture. Mr. Outhwaite expects to remain in Iron Mountain several weeks after the house closes settling up his business affairs, and will then go to Ishpeming for the winter.

### Waived Examination.

**Elmer Buzzo** and **Will Davey**, who were arrested last Monday charged with looting the store of **Joseph Wenzell**, waived examination before **Justice Miller** and in default of bail they were ordered confined in the Menominee county jail until the next term of circuit court – in March. **Sheriff Catlin** took them down on Tuesday.

### State Guards.

**Capt. Edward Neubauer** received a communication from the adjutant-general last Tuesday to the effect that the application of the **military company** recently organized here for enlistment in the state service had been accepted. The company will probably be mustered in in a few weeks.

### Made an Assignment.

**Godshall & Co.**, who moved to this city from Appleton about a month ago and engaged in the furniture and undertaking business in the **Spencer block**, made an assignment on Wednesday last for the benefit of creditors. **L.S. McEnaney** is the assignee.

### The Season's Cut.

For the year ending January first, the **Sagola Lumber company's mill** cut 11,000,000 feet of lumber, 3,000,000 lath and 9,000,000 shingles. The company has two camps in operation and will run the mill all winter.

### New Postmaster at Randville.

**George Cartmail** has become weary serving Uncle Sam in the capacity of postmaster at **Randville** and has resigned. **Alexander Scott** has been named his successor.

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### Four Years Longer.

In conversation with **Superintendent Murray**, of the **Metropolitan Lumber company**, last Tuesday evening, a Range-Tribune reporter was informed that his company had timber enough to keep their mill at **Metropolitan** in operation for four years yet. In Iron county the company have sufficient timber for five years. At the end

## **SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER**

### **Thursday, May 23, 2019**

Members and guests of the Dickinson County Genealogical Society gathered in the multi-purpose room for a brief business meeting called to order by President Bill Cummings at 1 p.m.

Minutes of the April 25, 2019 meeting were approved as read by Secretary Kay Carlson.

Treasurer Miriam Belding presented the report for the period April 25 through May 23, 2019.

Balance of hand was \$3,350.28 to which was deposited \$12.00 for membership. There were no disbursements. Balance on hand May 23, 2019 was \$3,362.28. The balance on hand for general purposes is \$2,750.28.

Following adjournment, the PowerPoint "Channing Railroad Center in Northern Dickinson County, Michigan" was presented by Bill Cummings.

Kay S. Carlson, Secretary

### **Thursday, September 26, 2019**

President Bill Cummings called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. with 13 members and guests present.

Minutes of the May 23, 2019 were approved as read by Secretary Kay Carlson.

Treasurer Miriam Belding presented the report for May 23 to September 26, 2019. The beginning balance was \$3,362.28 prior to a deposit of \$22.00 for one membership and a donation for research. Disbursements were as follows: DISD printing quarterlies \$228.00; DISD donation \$40.00; USPS postage to mail quarterlies \$81.20; and CJ Graphics for large envelopes \$21.19. Disbursements totaled \$370.39 leaving a balance on hand of \$3,013.89. Encumbered funds for both postage for quarterlies and the DCGS website left a balance of \$2,758.80 for general purposes.

Member Larry Zipp of Niagara shared stories and printed materials from his family reunion at Merrill, Wisconsin. Traditionally family members gather on the Sunday of the reunion week and attend the St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church service as a group. Decades ago, four brothers were instrumental in founding this congregation in Merrill. This past summer the descendants of those brothers were recognized as part of the history of this congregation.

As of September 26, 2019 the Dickinson County Library System has the complete local and regional

history index files of William J. Cummings available on line at [www.dcl-log.org](http://www.dcl-log.org).

Following the adjournment of the business meeting Nick Blagec, president of the Kiwanis Ski Club, shared a variety of information about Pine Mountain. Thousands of volunteer hours throughout the decades and continued commitment to having the ski tournaments at Pine Mountain only begin to tell the story. Fortunately, Blagec was able to share changes which took place in building the clubhouse, and maintaining the slide, hill and outrun from WPA days to the present.

Kay S. Carlson, Secretary

### **Thursday, October 24, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Secretary Kay Carlson in the Local History and Genealogy Room of the Dickinson County Library with nine members present.

Minutes of the September 26, 2019 were approved as read by Kay Carlson.

Treasurer Miriam Belding stated the financial report had not changed since September 26, 2019. Without any deposits or disbursements the balance on hand was \$3,013.89 with encumbered funds totalling \$225.00. Funds on hand for general purposes on October 24, 2019 were \$2,758.89.

Members commented on the wealth of research information provided by Bill Cummings, local historian and Dickinson County Genealogical president. When the server at the library is again running, the materials will be available online for research.

Our November meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21. Bill Cummings will do a program on the Local History and Genealogical Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

Phyllis Carlson of Quinnesec presented a PowerPoint program illustrating how to download digital images to a computer, stressing the importance of editing the quality and quantity of images to retain for permanent storage. While she explained how she creates files for quick identification and retrieval, she advised each person to devise a system which works for them. Hands on demonstrations of transfer of images followed were much appreciated by those present.

Kay S. Carlson, Secretary

# DICKINSON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 2019

William J. Cummings, President  
Kay Carlson, Acting Vice-President

Kay Carlson, Secretary/Historian  
Miriam Belding, Treasurer  
William J. Cummings, Quarterly Editor

**MEETINGS:** Regular meetings of the DCGS are held the fourth Thursday of January, February, March, April, May, September and October at 1:00 p.m. in the Local History Room of the Dickinson County Library. In November the DCGS meets the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the same place. No meetings are held in June, July, August and December. Visitors are always welcome.

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