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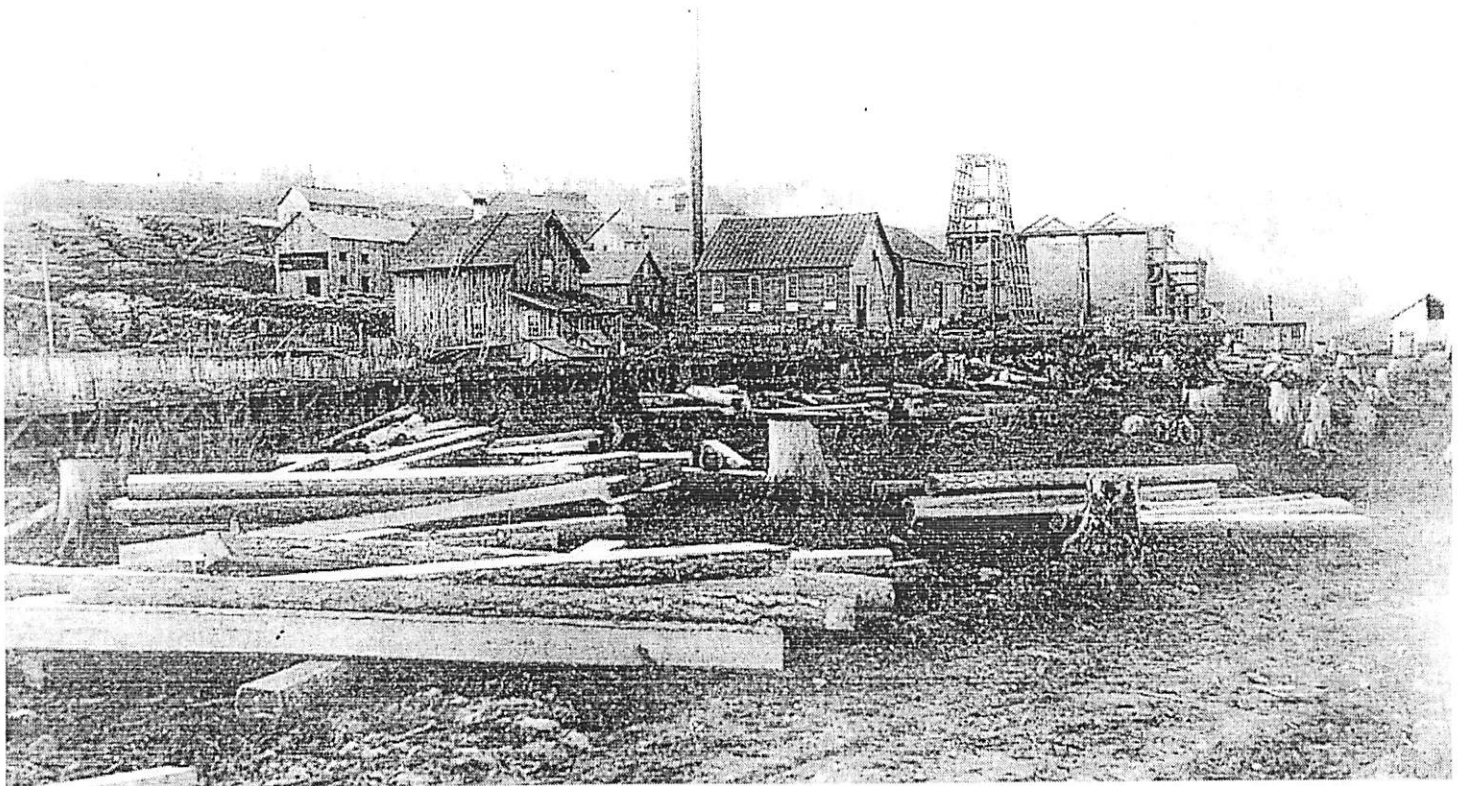
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Vulcan Mine Looking Northwest, Vulcan, May, 1886: Taken in May, 1886, this view, looking northeast, shows the Vulcan Mine, located on the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 9, T39N, R29W. Mention of the Breitung Mine, the Vulcan Mine's original name, appeared in the *Escanaba Tribune's* August 16, 1873 edition as a mine that "gives a good promise." Originally worked by the Milwaukee Iron Company, the lease was transferred to the newly-formed Menominee Mining Company in early March, 1877. In late July, 1877, John J. Hagerman, the new company's president, and A.C. Brown, a stockholder, visited the mine and laid out a town site overlooking Lake Hanbury to be called "Vulcan," changing the mine's name to match that of the new settlement. The railroad reached Vulcan in early September, 1877. Notice the huge timbers with rough sides in the foreground and the large number of logs piled in the upper left of the photograph. [Marquette County Historical Society]

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summit of a broad ridge in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 34, town 40, range 18, and is about 150 feet above the general level of the country in this vicinity. The vein of ore is uncovered from 75 to 100 feet in the direction of its "strike" and measures across the strike 36 feet. The ore is a first class, fine, steely, specular variety and is very uniform in quality. The elevation of the mine will afford it a natural drainage for a long time after active mining begins. The stripping – a sandy-loam and sand – will average at present about nine feet. The cost of opening this mine will be comparatively very small.

At the **Quinnesec mine**, the present terminus of the Menominee Range railroad, but very little has been done this season. The location consists of one good log house, besides two or three other larger buildings in the course of construction, intended for hotels. It is the purpose, however, of those interested to soon commence mining operations here.

Following the line of the half finished railroad we come to the **Breitung**, and are welcomed by our old friend **Capt. Jack Armstrong**, who takes no little pardonable pride in showing strangers his mine. They are making active preparations here to be ready to ship ore as soon as the railroad is completed thus far. Their deposit of ore is located on the face of a high ridge, and the drainage is good. The ore, a blue hematite, is about identical with the **Quinnesec**. The formation has nearly an east and west trend and dips to the south. The ore contains just enough magnetic to attract the needle and afford a purplish red powder when pulverized. The bed of ore is quite well defined, and in places measures 50 feet in thickness. They have quite a large amount of ore in sight, and with a little more work can ship fifty or more tons per day. The hanging wall of the vein is a jasper and lean

hard ore. It appears probable, that as they mine downwards, they will find more or less of hard specular ore. At present they are driving a tunnel which will intersect the ore in about seventy feet at a point about fifty feet below the surface. This will give a fine strip of ore, almost at the very start.

Reluctantly bidding our friend a last good-bye, we resumed our tramp along the line to the **Breen mine**. The grading of the road-bed was much more advanced than west of the **Breitung mine**. Across the Sturgeon river, the Railroad Co. have nearly completed a very fine wooden bridge, with long high approaches on the east side. The grades are very light, not exceeding 34 feet to the mile, and the curves are not sharper than four degrees. At the **Breen** we found **Captain Schwartz** in charge, and even as busy as at the **Breitung mine**. The showing of ore here is good, and promises well. It is very similar to the **Breitung ore**, and the formation there dips to the south. It is more than probable that all these mines are on the same range. Mr. **Louis Whitehead** has charge of the **Breen, Breitung and Quinnesec mines**, and no doubt will gladly welcome the first train of cars at the **Quinnesec**, so that his now tedious tramps will be no longer necessary. Some seven to eight miles of track is laid, and the prospect is that the cars will be running to the **Breen** by the first of August, which will save the "old times" pull through the swamp on the winter supply road. The **Breen mine** is only 20 feet higher than the track at **Spaulding**, and the present line of railroad does not vary from an air line at any point more than one thousand feet.

C.E.W.

MARQUETTE, June 15th.

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[Saturday, June 23, 1877], page 1, column 5

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – The track laying has begun again, after having been delayed some time with a rock cut, and will be laid into the **Breen mine** at once.

A man by the name of **Anthony Dougherty** was killed in the R.R. cut above the Breen mine, one day this week. He was smothered to death by the caving in of a bank of sand, burying him about ten feet beneath it. Also an **Indian** (name not known), had his arm badly cut with an ax in the hands of a companion; it was accidental.

The **Breen mine** has stripping 150 feet in length, and from 30 feet to 75 feet in breadth. They are constantly uncovering more ore.

Capt. Schwartz has just returned to the Breen, bringing his family with him.

Capt. Armstrong, of the **Breitung mine**, has lately moved his family into the district; it is a big undertaking for a lady; the mode of conveying into the mine is quite of the backwoods order. The stripping is still going on and the ore is abundant. **Superintendent Whitehead** is making every effort to have docks and pockets ready to receive ore by the time the cars are ready to run to the mine, and judging from the way the work is being pushed, they will be completed in due time.

The weather so far this month has been quite moist. Last night, June 15, there was a heavy shower of rain and hail, accompanied with severe lightning and thunder, and also a fierce wind. This continuous rain retards work on the R.R. and in the mines, but the lumber men are happy. They tell me they will be able to clear all the streams of lumber, which is a god send [*sic – godsend*] to the mill men at the mouth of the Menominee river.

The location of a postoffice [*sic – post office*] at **Waucedah** has been delayed until after the R.R. is completed. It would be a difficult matter to furnish mail there with the present facilities.

They are crowding the ore onto the docks at the **Breen**, as the road is being pushed rapidly to that point. The rock cut that has delayed them so long is finally finished.

The **Quinnesec mine** is being surveyed with a view to ascertain the best point for opening it.

SPAULDING, June 16, 1877.
WOLVERINE.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 467 [Saturday, June 30, 1877], page 1, columns 4-5

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – The weather was quite cold the latter part of last week, but this week opens very warm and pleasant, and there are indications of rain.

Last Tuesday, the 19th of June, was pay day at the **Breen and Breitung mines**, and the railroad men got their pay a day or two before. There was quite a loud old time, and had there been a saloon here things would have been pretty generally stirred up.

The tunnel at the **Breitung** was finished on the 22d, striking a fine bed of ore. The tunnel is 75 feet long.

A Frenchman by the name of **Felix Surprise** [*sic – Surprise*], who was working on the railroad about five miles east of the **Breitung mine**, while peeling cedar bark on the morning of the 20th to cover a shanty, cut a fearful gash in his arm just above the elbow. He was carrying his ax on his shoulder through thick underbrush, his toe caught and he fell, and the ax slipped down on his arm, and it being very sharp nothing but the bone of the arm stopped it. **Dr.**

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Belknap, the mining surgeon, sewed the wound together and otherwise dressed it, and sent him home to Wisconsin.

A man working at the **Breitung** mine cut his hand quite severely with an ax, which will lay him up for a few days. His name is **Lego** [sic – **Legault**].

We recently received a visit from **Mr. Conrad**, of **Saginaw** mine fame. He is looking after some iron land interests about twenty miles west of this location.

The **Railroad** store, belonging to parties from Chicago, has been sold to other parties from Chicago, and is going to be moved toward the western terminus of the road.

The docks and pockets at the **Breitung** are finished, and they will begin to shove ore into them at once with the full force.

It is rumored that the track will be completed to the **Breen** this week.

WOLVERINE.

SPALDING, June 25.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 468 [Saturday, July 7, 1877], page 5, column 4

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – A great many of the workmen in the mines and on the railroad are going away to spend the fourth of July; there will a few stay and work. The cars run very close to the **Breen** mine now, within a mile and a half, and they will be detained there about two weeks on account of a cut through a hill not being finished; their men left them, so they had to stop work, or it would have been all ready for the iron. The boarding camps all along the western division will be moved up in a few days, the bed of the road being so nearly finished up to the western terminus. Ore is being rushed on to the docks and into the pockets at both the **Breitung** and

Breen mines at a rapid rate. The ore that comes out of the tunnel at the **Breitung** mine is very fine, entirely unmixed with rock of any description. The ore at the **Breen** is about the same quality, but is not as convenient for mining as it is on the lower ground. The company will probably put in a large stock of general merchandise at the **Breitung** to supply all their miners as soon as the railroad men move out of their store.

The boys bring in beautiful strings of trout every day; the opportunities for catching them are as fine as I ever saw, and not far off, either. There is a little lake a few rods from the location at the **Breitung**, which is filled with all kinds of fish that usually inhabit such lakes. The shooting this fall is going to be first-class.

No births, deaths or marriages.
WOLVERINE.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 469 [Saturday, July 14, 1877], page 1, column 5

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – The fourth of July passed off very quietly. On the east end of the road the men all laid off and had a general spree, also the men at the **Breen** mine did not work, but every thing [sic – *everything*] was quiet; they indulged in a picnic which was a very pleasant affair.

We can say now that the rail-road is at the **Breen**, a thing which has been looked for with a great deal of anxiety, and the grading is nearly completed between there and the **Sturgeon** river, so they can push the iron laying right ahead if they choose to; but instead of that I think they will make that headquarters for a time and ballast up what they have laid, as the bridge across the **Sturgeon** river will delay them some time.

The fourth at the **Breitung** mine was spent by the men working as usual, also on

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the railroad the same; but in the evening there was a large bonfire and a small show of fireworks, and the stars and stripes were flung to the breeze for the first time in this part of the country, creating a great deal of excitement in consequence, and the firing of guns and singing of national airs.

One of the bosses on the railroad, **Mr. Chapman** was his name, I believe had his shoulder dislocated while on duty. It was soon adjusted by **Dr. Belknap**, the mining surgeon, and he is doing well at present.

They have got to increase their pocket capacity for ore at the mines, especially at the **Breitung**, where they are taking out now one hundred tons Per [sic - per] day, and as soon as they increase their force, which they are going to do soon, the amount of ore taken out will be increased proportionately.

Buildings are beginning to go up pretty fast now, but they can't complete them for the want of lumber for which they have to wait from below, by railroad. Not having lumber has put us back here in building very much, but the cars being at the **Breen** they can haul it on wagons.

Supt. Whitehead is expecting a number of the gentlemen who constitute the company here to-day, and he is going to the **Breen** with horses and saddles to show them the way in, that being our only means of getting over unless we foot it.

WOLVERINE.

SPALDING, July 10, 1877.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 471 [Saturday, July 28, 1877], page 8, column 1

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – They are making extensive improvements at the **Breen** now, since the cars have brought them lumber; their houses are rapidly approaching completion, and it looks really

like a town. The docks are being largely added to, and **Supt. Whitehead** has just given them a plan of pockets to build, which everyone thinks surpasses in strength any they ever saw. Railroad iron has given out, and has caused a cessation in track laying, which is probably just as well, as the bridge over the **Sturgeon** river is yet unfinished, and there is about a week's grading before they can get to the river; but all on the west side of the stream is ready for the iron up to three miles west of the **Breitung**, and the workmen have all moved to the western end, and will have that part all ready for the iron long before they are ready to lay it.

Captain Armstrong has made extensive additions to his ore dock at the **Breitung** so that its capacity for holding ore, including the pockets, is several thousand tons. The ore continues just as fine as at first. The captain is going to increase the facilities for working by putting in two or three more slopes. Also, after a while, he will run in another tunnel to strike the bed of ore farther east, giving him a very extensive face to work upon.

There is just north of the mine a beautiful ledge of **Potsdam** sandstone, which comes out in large blocks, and some time may richly pay for quarrying. It makes a fine, rich building stone.

Dr. N.P. Hulst, of **Milwaukee**, has been here for some time, making preparations to strip the **Quinnesec** mine. He is home now, but will be back soon and commence the work of stripping. I understand it's a very extensive piece of work, requiring a great deal of energy and perseverance, of all [sic – all of] which the doctor possesses a great abundance. No exciting news from this quarter this week.

WOLVERINE.

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less than six flags of foreign nations were floating over the city one day last week and there was not an American flag to be seen.

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School Notes.

Miss **Belle Kennedy** who is to teach in the public school, arrived Thursday.

Prof. J.M. Benjamin, who is to teach at **Vulcan** this year, has been in town this week the guest of **Prof. Tobey**.

Mr. Wm. Oliver, of the **Norway mine**, has been appointed janitor of the main school building, and that he will make a good one, goes without saying.

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The State Road Farmers.

Monday, the writer had occasion to go down the state road about 16 miles and could not do otherwise than mark the continued evidences of prosperity. We have never had opportunity to visit all the farms but have an abiding faith that we shall do so some day [*sic – someday*], soon. Starting from **Vulcan** one passes the farms occupied by **Frank Jouno**, the **Rices**, **Eugene Liberty**, **Alex. Duncan**, **Richard Underwood**, **Ralph Barker**, **William Maxwell**, **John Davis**, **John Dunn**, **Frank McCanby**, **Peter Lacroix**, **George Harter**, **Albert Brandt**, **Frank Tarr** and a few miles on that of **John P. Nelson**. Some of these farms are owned by the lumber companies and wrought under the

managements of the gentlemen named, and several of the larger ones have from 500 to 700 acres under cultivation. At the time of our visit many were waiting patiently for a break in the continued wet weather, to enable them to harvest their grain. The hay crop was an unusually good one, and the other crops (with the possible exception of potatoes,) promise well. During our drive we had the pleasure of meeting several of the farmers and their wives, and of partaking of the hospitality of **Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brandt** of the **K.C. Co's farm**. If the way they treat a fellow is a fair sampling of the whole district, we are going there to recouperate [*sic – recuperate*] when we get starved out of the newspaper business, most of these farms are in the township of **Holmes**, of which **Harter** is supervisor, **Dunn**, clerk; **Brandt**, highway commissioner and **Nelson** overseer of highways, and the condition of the road despite the heavy rains, shows that the officers believe it good policy to mend their ways occasionally. **Mr. Brandt** is also postmaster and the father of a new boy who came to board at his home about two weeks ago. **Mrs. Salzeider** who was kicked and seriously injured by a runaway horse, two weeks ago, is improving slowly, and it is hoped, will soon regain her normal strength. It was a close call, as the present condition of the lady will testify. Later we propose to tabulate some figures showing that this section of country produces something other than iron ore and pine trees.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

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Misses **Nana** and **Josie Breen**, of Menominee, who have been visiting at the house of **John Breen** at Ingallsdorf, returned to their home Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Andrews, of Minneapolis, arrived Monday to attend the **Browning-Hosking** nuptials. Mrs. Andrews is a sister of **Mrs. Capt. James Hosking**.

Miss **Kate Burns**, of Florence, visited her sister, **Mrs. A. Patenaude**, a portion of this week.

Capt. Tom Oliver went to Iron Mountain to visit his brother **William**, yesterday.

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CURRENT NOTES.

—We neglected to mention last week, the **destruction by fire of the town hall and the jail at Waucedah**. The jail was not a very large one but the hall was a fair sized one (24x60 ft.) and was only insured for a small portion of its value.

—Last Sunday night a man giving the name of **Mike Connors**, got on the passenger train at **Antoine**, and was put off at **Spread Eagle**. He attempted to get on again after the train started and got his foot run over and so badly mangled as to necessitate amputation. He was taken to **Florence**.

—**Mrs. F. Copeland** of **Vulcan**, will soon open a **first-class millinery and ladies' furnishing goods establishment at Iron Mountain**. She has secured the upper

story of the **Parent building** and is having it finely fitted. Next week she will go to Chicago for a full stock of goods and a competent milliner. Keep your Fall orders until you see the new stock.

—**James B. Rose**, one of the employes, of **Treiber's livery stable** varied his occupation somewhat, on Friday of last week, by sawing some wood with a circular saw for use at the hotel, and later he varied this variation by sawing off the forefinger of his left hand. The wound was properly attended to by a surgeon and now Jim varies the humdrum of everyday life by carrying his arm in a sling.

—The **Peninsula Powder Co.**, of **Iron Mountain** have secure *[sic]* the services of **J.H. Johnson** a first class **chemist and powder maker**, who has been for the past three years with the **Hancock Chemical Co.**, and who placed the products of that company on the par with those of any other in the country. There is no doubt that the Peninsula powder will henceforth be equal if not superior to any other powder made and the future of the enterprise looks brighter than for some time. This is one of Iron Mountain's home industries and should find ample support.

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Mastodon.

Mrs. Swayze, mother of **Dr. Butts**, is visiting here with the Doctor and wife.

Capt. E.S. Roberts has finished the addition to his residence and is now very comfortably settled.

Mrs. Thomas Smith and baby arrived from Canada, Sunday, and Tom is the most pleased individual in the town.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Miss **Helen McKinstrey** of Manistique, Mich., arrived here early in the week and has taken the position of amanuensis in the law office of **R.C. Flannigan**.

Miss **Lou Sampson**, sister of the Sampson brothers here, departed for her home at **Houghton**, Thursday, after some weeks visit here.

William J.T. Lanyon arrived here from England, Tuesday morning. He resided here about two years ago.

Ed. Johnson has left the employ of **Anton Odill** and entered that of **Peter Young**.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–A concrete floor is being put into the basement of the **Lindquist building**.

–**Anton Odill** is building a barn on the lot recently purchased from **Jos. E. Bergeron**.

–**Mrs. Flagg** was taken to the **Appleton property**, Thursday, where she will have charge of the **company's boarding house**.

–**J.L. Ramsdell** has leased the **Bridges building**, **Cyclops avenue**, and will move into it soon after the departure of **Mr. Small's** family.

–**Mr. Belrose** of **Menominee**, is the new barber at **Joe. McGibbon's** shop. He went

to **Menominee** early in the week and brought his wife here Tuesday night.

–The **Sons of America's hall** over the **Lindquist store and the post office** is all lathed and has been given the first coat of plaster. **Ed. Rivenberg**, the plasterer, informs us that the hard finish will be on in ten days.

–**Prof. Tobey** has moved into his new residence at **Frederickton**, and **Dr. Wright** now uses the former residence of the Prof. as an office in connection with his hospital.

–The **skeleton** owned by **Dr. C.D'A. Wright** was taken to the school building Thursday morning. A **human heart** is also a recent addition to the collection at the school building.

–**Charles Treiber** is building, on his **Cyclops Ave.** property, a **flour and feed store**, which will be 26x60 ft. in size. It will be a frame building brick veneered and will add much to the appearance of that part of the street.

–**Capt. William Oliver**, of the **Chapin**, accompanied by his wife, left last week for **Colorado** where they will spend the coming winter for the benefit of the Captain's health. That he may soon be as rugged as of old is the universal wish.

–**Prof. Tobey** has purchased a **printing outfit for the public schools** here and will get it ready for business next week. The little plant will be used to print lesson leaves for the primary department. A font of old style pica roman and a font of Spencerian script will be all the type used in the work.

–The **store in the Oliver building**, vacated some time ago by **James Bryant**, is again to be filled with a stock of furniture. **Lewis F. Springer & Co.** will put in an excellent line of good and cheap furniture in the store. Mr. Springer is to have charge of the business and will occupy the rooms over the store and will soon move into them.

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—**John Biasi** gently tapped a fellow player over the head with a billard [*sic* – *billiard*] cue at **A. Sparipani's**, Thursday. A warrant was issued for Biasi's arrest and officer **Allisandri** found him in **Iron Mountain** and brought him here in the evening. After going before the justice the officer and prisoner were looking for bail and when on **Cyclops avenue** the prisoner tried his qualities as a pedestrian in **attempting to escape**. The officer ordered him to stop, but "nery" stop, and then he yelled "catch him." **Officer Truscott** then appeared and **fired two shots in the air** and in less time than it takes to tell it, the street was filled with people anxious to know the reason of the shooting. The prisoner was caught by **Henry Sampson**, and six men carried him (the prisoner) to **High's drug store** where **Dr. Lockart** dressed a wound on his head, received in the fracas [*sic* – *fracas*], having been struck with the officer's walking stick. The prisoner stoutly claimed he was shot three times in the chest. He was taken before a justice Friday morning and assessed \$15 and costs or in default of payment 40 days imprisonment in the county jail. He paid.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. O'Callaghan and children, **Mrs. James O'Callaghan** and child, **Mrs. McGeehan** and **Mrs. J.H. MacNaughton** will leave Sunday evening for the east. Mrs. MacNaughton will visit at the home of her parents near Potsdam and with friends in New York city and Brooklyn and the others of the party will go to Montreal and Buckingham, Canada. They will go over the "Soo" and Canadian Pacific

lines, the shortest route between the u.p. and the east.

Alfred Colwell, nephew of **Capt. H.J. Colwell**, was here visiting a portion of the week. He left for **Ironwood**, Wednesday, and from there he goes to **Houghton** where he will attend the **Houghton Mining School**. Mr. Colwell's home is at Appleton, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. McRae, of **Iron River**, were here early in the week visiting their daughter, **Mrs. O. Mousseau**. Mr. McRae has a good homestead near Iron River. This office acknowledges a pleasant call from that gentleman.

Joseph Cootware was at **Escanaba**, Tuesday, to see his brother who was injured at **Iron Mountain**, Monday, and who had a foot amputated that morning.

Miss Etta Roche is to **teach school at Lathrop**, where she taught during the last school year. The school opens on Monday next.

Mrs. H. Mugglely and **Miss M. McCune** left Thursday for the home of their parents at Waupun, Wis.

Mrs. H. Brentford[,] of **Iron Mountain**, is here visiting her mother, **Mrs. E. Rivenburg, Norway hill**.

Mrs. McGeehan, mother of **Mrs. James O'Callaghan**, is here on a visit to her daughter.

Julius Hansen of Spalding, succeeds **J.B. Lyons, Jr.**, as **night telegraph operator** at this place.

Miss Nellie Bush is to **teach school at Nadeau** and leaves today to take the position.

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CURRENT NOTES.

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–A. Kalstrom & Co., have a new sign in front of their meat market.

–Dr. C.D'A. Wright is building a fence around his hospital and office at Ingallsdorf.

–Edward Bolitho, of Ingallsdorf, is ill and but little hopes are entertained for his recovery.

–Dr. Wright has named his new hospital at Ingallsdorf the "Bryon N. White hospital."

–The Aragon mine payroll already adds about \$15,000 per month to the money circulated here.

–An extension on the sidewalk along Young's hotel building was put down by Overseer Bouche this week.

–Bradley, a discharged brakeman, while under the influence of liquor, fell between two cars of a moving train near Hermansville, Tuesday, and had his right arm and leg cut off. No hopes are entertained for his recovery.

–J.S. Hathaway, one of Iron Mountain's pioneers, has opened up a store for the sale of teas, coffees and spices, and will also manufacture and sell flavoring extracts. John will doubtless make a success of the venture.

–P. Flannigan's [*sic* - Flanagan's] tenement house, being built at the rear of his market on Summit avenue, is about completed. The building is to be occupied by one of his shopmen. Messrs. J.E. McDonald and Ed. Fisher did the carpenter work.

–There was a tragedy enacted in town, Thursday, by which a dog lost his life and social circles were for the time being more or less broken. A woman shot at a dog and wounded him badly. She handed the revolver to a man who also took a couple of shots, which failed to kill. Another man then tried his skill with the revolver and the dog was dead. Not

having had any acquaintance with his dogship we can say nothing as to his character but as he has charged up to him the death of several other dogs, and as he was busily engaged in killing two or three more when the lady cut short his career and his tail at the same time, it is probable that the owners will bury his body and their resentment in one grave.

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Mastodon.

Miss Eliza Hambley, who taught the public school here last year, has again assumed the birch and that she will wield it to some purpose, the record of previous years will bear witness.

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Vulcan Notes.

H.A. Bertolas informs us that the new society to be organized on Sunday next at Norway is to be a beneficiary one and will start with twenty members. The organization will be known as the Garibaldi society and will have for officers, general (to personate [*sic*] Garibaldi) president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. The officers will be elected by ballot and all officers, except general[,], are elected for one year, the office of general being a life one unless the officer elected changes his residence. The society will drill with guns, same as the state militia[,], and carry guns in parade. The members will be uniformed

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with red shirts and caps, blue pants and a white handkerchief worn about the neck. The organization will be perfected at a meeting to be held at P. **Molignoni's** residence tomorrow morning.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

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William Wood, went to **Hermansville**, Sunday evening with the O'Callaghan party and the next morning he made up his mind to visit the place of his birth, Buckingham, Canada, and went with the party.

Mr. O'Callaghan[,] father of the **O'Callaghan brothers**, left on Sunday evening for Buckingham, Canada, his old home. He will remain there but a few days.

M. Shea, for some months engineer on the yard engine here, has gone on the main line and another man has succeeded him on the switch.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–**Peter Malone**, of **Quinnesec**, who has been ill for a month or more, was taken to **Menominee hospital** on Friday last by **Joseph Neudert**.

–**J.E. Bergeron** has contracted with the **Detroit Lumber Co. of Menominee** to put in 3,000,000 ft. of pine. The pine is located on the **Sturgeon**.

–**Mr. Poole** is engineer on the switch engine, taking the position made vacant by

the resignation of **Mr. Shea**. The new engineer is a pleasant gentleman.

–**Capt. Isaac Williams'** new residence is ready for the plasterers and in a few weeks more the Captain and his family expects [*sic*] to live under their own roof.

–The new **McShane bell**, weighing 1,014 pounds, arrived last week and on Saturday **S.F. Clark** and his men commenced putting it in place in the **belfrey** [*sic* – *belfry*] of the township hall. The bell has a beautiful tone and is loud.

–**Mrs. T.P. Hayes** and **Mrs. Carrie Keneday** and children, of **Norway**, were the guests of **Mr. and Mrs. L. Hall**, in the township of **Bates** during the week. **Mrs. Hayes** is a sister of **Mrs. Hall**. --Reporter.

–**Fred. Kinney** informs us that he intends building a factory and a residence on the north-east corner of the newly platted **South Norway**, the property he recently purchased from **Don. Cameron**, agent for the syndicate.

–“**Ste**” **Reynolds** is now employed at the **Pewabic** having ceased work at **Quinnesec** last week. **Mr. Reynolds** is a good worker and is satisfied he can satisfy **Supt. Brown** of the above mine. While **Stephen** was here on Saturday last, **Mrs. Reynolds**, who has been ill for some time, drove out with him.

–At a meeting held on Sunday to talk over the feasibility of organizing a **Garibaldi** [*sic*] society, **Henry A. Bertolas** was selected president and **Jos. Zanella**, treasurer. At a meeting to be held in the town hall soon the organization will be perfected and permanent officers elected. It is presumed the society will have a large membership.

–**Lustfield Bros.**, who are to soon open a store in the **McElroy building**, have an announcement in this issue. The new store will be opened about October 1st. **Mr. A. Lustfield**[,] of **Crystal Falls**, is one of the firm, and he is reputed to be one of the

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they can pay, never trying to pay – paying their honest debts being the last thing they ever think of; it is to such persons that this system pays attention. It is no hardship to ask men to be honest with the merchant who trusts them. Every dollar lost by the merchant by reason of bad debts is indirectly loaded onto the shoulders of those who pay, and any system which compels slow payers and “dead beats” to pay up, or pay spot cash, for everything they purchase, unloads the percentage from the shoulders of the honest prompt paying class. A man cannot exist and pay nothing, without proving a direct burden to those who supply themselves with the necessities of life by honest purchase. The merchants have no law for their protection; they must be a law unto themselves, by combination, for the protection of each other. They owe it not only to themselves, but to their cash-paying, prompt-paying customers to combine together and drive to settlement or cash that class of persons which infest every community, who do nothing, live well and contribute nothing. The system represented by the Merchants Retail Commercial Agency is being adopted by all the leading merchants throughout the west. It deals honorably with both debtor and creditor, and should have the support not only of merchants but of honest customers. Pay up, make honorable settlements, or pay spot cash is the motto of the Iron Mountain branch of this agency.

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The Marshal's Team Bolts.

In the alleyway at the rear of Stephenson's [sic – Stephenson]

avenue, on Sunday forenoon, two horses went thundering among the outhouses with a smashed rig at their heels. They knocked a cow over that was humping herself to get out of the way, they came within an ace of smashing through the bay window of Mr. **Blight's boarding house**, they clattered over the sidewalk, crossed **Hughitt street**, and were apparently going to make things hum along the opposite alley, when a man darted out from somewhere, seized them boldly, and hung on to them until they stopped. **City Marshal O'Hara** had just hitched up the pair at **Hansen's barn** and was entering the rig, when they got startled at something and bolted before he had time to pick up the lines [reins]. In an instant they had brought the buggy up against an outhouse with a smash, and Mr. O'Hara was pitched out head over heels. How he came to save himself from getting his neck broken is a marvel. As he picked himself up out of the mud he exclaimed: “Well, it never rains but it pours. No sooner does one infernal thing happen than another is sure to follow.” A rumor quickly spread around that the marshal had been seriously injured, and **Joe Pascoe, Chauncey Richardson, Jim Moriarity** and other friends of his were speedily on the spot, and were glad to find he had escaped with only a few bruises and a good shaking up. One of the team (the bay) was cut about the legs, but not very seriously. Immediately after the horses had been led back to the barn by the man who captured them – a Scotchman employed by **Hancock, the butcher** – an altercation took place between him and one of the barn hands for some reason, and a fight was the result. **The butcher was knocked down, and his assailant not only pounded him unmercifully but bit a piece out of his face.** The city marshal jumped in between them and thrust the barn hand back into the barn, while the badly bleeding butcher

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walked away vowing vengeance and swearing that that was about the last time he would try to catch anybody's horses.

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Personal and Social.

Arthur Voligny has returned to Iron Mountain, and is now employed in **Schuldes' store**.

Capt. John Wicks has opened a justice office in **Laing's building**, and will dispense the simon pure article.

Edward Lepper, book-keeper at the **C. & N.W. [Chicago & Northwestern] depot**, visited friends at Marinette and Menominee on Sunday last.

The throat trouble of **Captain John Oliver** still continuing, he intends to leave Hot Springs, Ark., and try Texas.

Alderman R. White, whose **branch business at Norway** is flourishing, has **bought a new safe for his Norway market**, and is making other improvements.

Latest advices from **Miss E.P. Tuten**, who was reported to be very dangerously sick in Chicago last Friday, are more encouraging, and her recovery now appears to be probable, if there is no relapse.

Mrs. C.M. Auld took temporary charge of **Mrs. Richard's restaurant** last week, as the latter was suddenly called away on Wednesday to take charge of her sick parent in Keewaunee [*sic – Kewaunee*] county near Green Bay.

When **Ben Kramer** returned from **Hurley** on Monday he said enthusiastically he had had the jolliest time he ever spent in his life. It was not, however, because he had met so many old friends from Wausau,

Wis., but because he **became engaged to an accomplished young lady**, the daughter of a prominent Detroit merchant. Not only is she very handsome, but she is also a very admirable vocalist and musician, and Mr. Kramer is to be congratulated. The wedding has been arranged to take place early this summer. The parties have been acquainted for some time past.

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A GOOD deal of **spring building** is now going on in Iron Mountain.

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For Sale.

The undersigned will sell his **team and outfit comprising wagon, two sets of sleighs, cutter, harnesses, etc.** Everything in good order. Cheap for cash or will trade for real estate. Must sell.

ANDREW A. BROWN.

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HERE'S a **chance for hunters who want to make a little money legitimately.**

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The **state bounty for a full-grown wolf** is now \$10, and for a **whelp** [wolf cub] \$6.

THE two story **coal shed of the C. & N.W.**, at **Antoine**, is being handsomely painted. The boys who are doing the job are **Peter Kirchen** and **Lyndus Valentine**.

THERE ought to be an Irish society in Iron Mountain. A branch of the **Ancient Order of Hibernians** has just been established in **Escanaba**, with **Jim Corcoran** as president.

JOHN SAVING, the tailor, has left Noah's ark and **rented the first floor of Rundle's opera house**. The premises are capacious, and were needed to suit John's growing business.

CHARLIE PARENT says: "Business? Well, I can't complain. I think it is swelling grandly. **Rather different from the days when I pitched my little tent among the trees on this identical location.**"

AT **Fortune Lake**, four or five rods off the **Crystal Falls Iron River road**, **Ray Kimball** intends to **build a summer resort**, where tired folks can get fresh and good fishing – pickerel, perch, and black and sun bass.

WE observe that **J. Frezinskey & Co.**, "of Chicago," are about to **open a dry goods store in Escanaba**. We presume they are very closely related to the Frezinskey family who went bankrupt at the Fair a few months ago.

THE **principal builders and contractors of Marquette** have agreed to employ only members of the **Union Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America**, and that 58 hours shall consist of a week's work, with 60 hours' pay.

NEGAUNEE has at last something to boast about. In the person of a **Cornishman** named **Hart Caddy**, it claims to possess the **finest light-weight Cornish wrestler** in the upper peninsula. This particular Hart is just as big as his body.

THE meeting in **Florence** of the **Menominee Range Teachers' Association** last week was completely successful, both as a social and mutually instructive event. The **Iron Mountain** young ladies carried off the palm and have it yet. **Prof. Abernethy** presided.

MRS. PERCY BEASER, who was **badly injured in the accident at Watersmeet**, is suing the **C. & N.W. railway company** for damages. **Mr. Sawyer**, of **Menominee**, her attorney, has gone to **Ashland** to endeavor to make a compromise with the company through one of its most prominent officials.

THERE are a **good many peddlers in town** just at present, who, like the Israelites, when they hung their harps upon the willow trees by the waters of Babylon, are mournful because the **city insists upon their paying \$2 a day for the privilege** of pursuing their interesting occupation of giving nodinks for somedinks.

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No Flies on This.

Ed. Cruse and **Theo. Firme**, of **Kloeckner's store**, have obtained the **upper peninsula agency for the patent fly fan invented by the Baltimore firm**. The fan revolves with great velocity, and effectually knocks out all the flies in the vicinity. One of these fans is now at work in **Kloeckner's store**.

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YES; there is no denying it. **While the main thoroughfares of Iron Mountain are bad enough, the majority of the back alley-ways are most atrociously dirty.** Somebody ought to be around stirring things up, and we presume it is the health officer, who, however, has no sinecure in making people believe that cleanliness is next to godliness, and that it is about the best preventive against insidious and fatal disease that has yet been discovered.

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To-morrow Night.

Demorest silver medal contest. Prize declamation at the **Central M.E. church.** Friday evening, April 5. Misses **Ella Harper, Ellen Sundstrom, Emma Parmelee, Ella May Thomas, Rose Hubbard, Master Bennie Moyle,** contestants. Three judges chosen from the audience will make the award. The silver medal in a handsome morocco case has been received and will be presented as soon as the award is announced. Everybody invited.

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“THE camps are pretty much broken up, and the woodman’s ax lies at rest, and the boys are coming back to civilization.” So says the Menominee Democrat. Judging by the number of cases we have recently seen of woodsmen trying to measure the breadth of Stephenson avenue under the impression that they were

scaling logs, and finishing up their profound calculations in the “cooler,” we should think it would have been a good thing for many of them if they had stayed away from “civilization.”

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Stranded Performing Minstrels.

About fifteen men and boys, most of them wearing very short coats but all topped off with much-polished tall silk hats, invaded Iron Mountain yesterday. There was that lack of breezy buoyancy about them which showed they were in ill-luck. It was the old story – a “bust up” show company, and a wicked cashier who had skipped out with the proceeds of the last entertainment, which was given in Florence on Tuesday night. Originally, the company was known as the **“Da Vern and Hollen’s” Minstril troupe,** but now it is broken up and demoralized. Some of the members are looking for freight trains on which to slide out of town, while others expect to realize enough from one or two entertainments here to enable them to pay their way to some more congenial sphere. Even the performing “bloodhounds” are so much disgusted that yesterday they tried to chew each other up and are no longer friends.

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Important Public Notice.

Carriere & Barrett will open their new Hardware Store, on Stephenson avenue,

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to-morrow [sic – tomorrow] (Friday)
morning.

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Made a Bad Break.

Peter Lucia was in “**Uncle Dick’s**”
saloon on Tuesday. He mixed himself up
in some game of cards, and he claims that
a big fellow threw him down and broke his
arm. The landlord, however, swears that
Peter fell down and received his injuries,
and as nobody seems to know clearly who
was the liar, **Justice Bergeron** did the best
thing he could – that is, sent Peter to the
Chapin hospital.

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WE are informed that **Mr. Thomas
Rundle** contemplates making great
improvements around his property, which is
now occupied by the **opera house** and
John Saving, the merchant tailor. The
**sidewalk on Ludington street will be
raised several feet and carried right
around to the entrance of the hall, while
convenient steps from the main level of
the street to the new side walk will make
all parts of the building easy of access,**
at the same time considerably enhancing
the value of the whole property.

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For Street Supervisor.

What is the matter with **Jim Kinnifick**
for **street supervisor**? A large property
owner, a good citizen, and a practical man
whose work on the streets of **Marinette** is
regarded as a model to this day, he is just
about the kind of man **Iron Mountain** wants
to see looking after the public
thoroughfares, many of which will have to
be graded and repaired this year. Certainly
no man is wanted for street supervisor who
is a mere theorist without practical
experience.

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More Brick Blocks.

Mr. Paul Barossi, who has done some
excellent masonry work around the
location, is now **putting up a handsome
brick building on Brown street**, to take
the place of the wooden premises which
were occupied by **Michael Coragliotti**
before the recent fire. The structure will be
two-stories high and handsomely
decorated. As the work is in the hands of
Mr. Barossi there will be, judging by his
previous work, a very substantial building
added to those already within the fire limits.

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REFERRING to the disappearance of
Goldsworthy, the delinquent agent of the
Standard Oil Company in the upper
peninsula, the **Hancock Copper Journal**
argues that if his accounts do not show a

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shortage exceeding \$3,500, "it proves that the party in question was not maliciously a defaulter," and that "whatever may have been the cause of his shortage it was a desire to relieve pressing needs." "To relieve pressing needs" – that is good. It is about the politest synonym for swindling we ever heard; and the beauty of it is that the editor is not sarcastic, but is in dead earnest in his attempt to whitewash Goldsworthy's criminality.

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The "Flim-Flam" Game.

Although the "flim-flam" swindle is pretty well-known in Chicago and other large cities it is comparatively new in the small provincial towns. It consists, by talking, and the frequent changing of bills or dollar pieces, in bamboozling the store-keeper in such a way that the "flim-flam" swindler walks out several dollars ahead. Two of these gentry struck Iron Mountain on Monday, and tried to work the hocus-pocus on a number of saloons and storekeepers. They were caught at it in Charley Parent's and the Kramer Brothers, and skipped out. Armed with a warrant for their arrest taken out by one of their victims, Deputy Sheriff O'Hara went after them to Norway, thinking they had gone thither, but he failed to find them as they had skipped out in some other direction. One of them, William Reynolds, is a well-dressed notorious crook, who had previously operated with considerable success in Norway and other places on the range, and we hear that since his abrupt departure from Iron Mountain he and his

partner have been caught at the "flim-flam" game in Marinette and arrested.

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McHugh in the Toils Again.

J.C. Van Marter, an old resident of Florence, has sworn out a warrant charging Pat McHugh, the pugilist, with intent to kill. The Mining News says that the charge has reference to the alleged deadly assault made by McHugh upon Sheriff Redmond and a posse when trying to escape from justice in May, 1884. McHugh claims that he has already been tried for the offense. The complaining witness, however, alleges that McHugh was only tried on the charge of disorderly conduct, but not upon the graver charge of shooting at the officers of justice, and McHugh, who was released on a \$500 bail, will have a hearing before Judge Colman to-day [sic – today].

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That "Celebrated" Cornish Athlete.

Some of the boys have evidently been putting up a job on Mr. Lightfoot, who has been described as a well-known pugilist and wrestler from Pennsylvania. He is a quiet, gentlemanly-looking young Cornishman, who says he never fought a prize fight in his life, and that his great aim, instead of pugilism or prize wrestling, is to get along quietly by minding his own business. He says, however, that if he can

SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Thursday, February 27, 2014

The DCGS met in the multipurpose room of the Dickinson County Library on February 27, 2013, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 17 members and the guest speaker present.

The minutes for the January 23, 2014 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported a balance of \$3,566.91 on January 23, 2014. After deposits and disbursements the ending balance on February 27, 2014, was \$3,685.91.

Our website counter showed an increase of 148 hits since January's meeting.

Back issues of *Dickinson Diggings* through Volume XV are now available on line.

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

The program was presented by Cathy Lindeman. She related that a message on the back of a cork bas-relief picture was the spur for her to search her genealogy. Her ancestry led her to several states and to Ontario and British Columbia. She explained how she worked with primary and secondary sources, census records and Find-A-Grave. She talked about how hard it is to find women due to various reasons including marriage and multiple marriages. She provided web sites that she has found most beneficial. They are www.stevemorese.org, www.find-a-grave.org, and www.archive.org.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

Thursday, March 27, 2014

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on March 27, 2014, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 18 members present.

The minutes for the February 27, 2014 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported the beginning balance of \$3,685.91 on February 27, 2014. After deposits and disbursements the ending balance on March 27, 2014, was \$3,481.95.

Pam read a thank you note from Beth Baker for the gift card to buy a book for her Nook. Beth, the director of the Dickinson County Library and a DCGS member, was involved in a very serious traffic accident in December and is currently recuperating and working on rehabilitation.

Our website counter showed an increase of 102 hits since February's meeting. Back issues of *Dickinson Diggings* through Volume XV are now available on line.

The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Larry Zipp presented an interesting program titled "History of Fraternal Organizations of Yesteryear" with emphasis on the Grand Army of the

Republic (G.A.R.), made up of Civil War veterans, and the Odd Fellows Lodge (I.O.O.F.). G.A.R. members paid \$20 a year in dues which were essentially used for mutual insurance benefits. Scholarships were also made available. The I.O.O.F. motto of Friendship, Love and Truth also had insurance benefits. The Daughters of Rebekah was the auxiliary group for women.

Larry had a number of ribbons, pins, a rule book and other memorabilia, including a photograph of his Uncle Herman, a member of the G.A.R.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

Thursday, April 24, 2014

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on April 24, 2014, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 16 members and 9 guests present.

The minutes for the March 27, 2014 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported the beginning balance of \$3,481.95 on March 27, 2014. After deposits and disbursements the ending balance on April 24, 2014, was \$3,483.95.

Our website counter showed an increase of 121 hits since March's meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Bill Cummings presented a Power Point program titled "Wheels: The Horseless Carriage – Part 1" which included a brief history of the development of the automobile in Europe and in the United States.

Using period photographs, many from his personal collection, Bill showed historic views from Dickinson County, Iron County and Florence County, as well as from other areas containing early automobiles on the streets of area communities.

Material showing the transition from the horse and buggy era to the horseless carriage era, such as adapting wagon maker shops and blacksmith shops to automobile garages, was discussed.

Advertisements from early city directories and newspapers, as well as colorful excerpts from early newspaper accounts, helped tell the story of life with motorized transportation from the early twentieth century.

Local newspaper accounts regarding early purchases of automobiles, automobile accidents, arrests for infractions such as speeding, not using the dimmer during night driving and more provided informative and entertaining material.

The Model T Ford was featured, and an interesting local bit of its history will be found on page 58 of the August 2014 issue of *Dickinson Diggings*.

William J. Cummings, Editor

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MEETINGS: Regular meetings of the DCGS are held the fourth Thursday of January, February, March, April, 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 May, June, July, August and December. Visitors are always welcome.

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Chicago & Northwestern Railway Depot, Quinnesec, ca. 1908: Posing for the photographer in front of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Depot at Quinnesec in about 1908 were (left to right) Oscar Swanson, father of K.O. Swanson; O.B. Pegg, station agent; Herman Gotslieben, telegraph operator; Bill Dickson, car clerk; and Art Larson, freight. In late October, 1877, the Menominee River Railroad, a branch of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, reached Quinnesec. Shipping from the Quinnesec Mine commenced shortly thereafter. The Chicago & Northwestern Railway Depot was built on the east side of Quinnesec Avenue. A spur track was later built to Niagara at the east end of town and another spur track was built to the Cundy Mine when it opened in 1896. The original depot burned in 1906 during the Quinnesec fire which destroyed the business district. The depot pictured above was its replacement which was torn down in 1960. *[John Alquist/Breitung Township]*

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MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – The spur at the **Breen mine** is finally laid, so now as soon as the balance of the road is in condition they will begin to ship ore. All supplies come up as far as the Breen, and passengers can ride up if they are at the depot when the train leaves every morning; but there are no regular trains on the road as yet, and probably will not be until the work is accepted by the engineers. The eastern end is in very fine condition, even better than the old road. The new houses at the Breen are now about completed; one or two of them are receiving their occupants, and a more tasty [sic - *tasteful*], convenient and well-constructed house I never saw put up by any company. They are first-class in every particular, with nice front yards and large roomy garden spots in the rear; **Supt. Whitehead** has not left a thing undone that should be done to make them perfect in comfort and convenience.

Mr. Hagerman, president of the company, from Milwaukee, and **A.C. Brown**, one of the stockholders, were here last week and expressed themselves highly delighted with the manner in which everything was being carried on; also with the future prospects of the mine. They are both gentlemen who are glad to see their employee comfortable and doing well. They visited all three of the mines, but in consequence of the railroad difficulties outside they hastened home. Their intention was to spend a number of days up here. They selected a town site while here, and, I believe, settled on "**Vulcan**" as the name of both town and mine, and work is to begin at once on the new town site. Chopping and clearing off, preparatory to building the town, has already begun. It will overlook the lake, and will be much nearer the mine than the present location.

They are going to commence work at the **Quinnesec** at once. **Dr. N.P. Hulst**, of Milwaukee, who is also a stockholder, will be in charge of operations.

The weather still continues excessively warm with now and then a shower, but that don't [sic - *doesn't*] seem to cool the atmosphere altogether.

A child belonging to **Mr. Thos. Rice**, of the **New York farm**, was severely burned last Saturday about the neck and shoulders. I believe the doctor thinks the child will recover.

No news of startling character; all quiet on the Menominee.

WOLVERINE.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 475 [Saturday, August 25, 1877], page 4, column 2

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – At the **Breen mine** it is beginning to look more like heavy work, as they have just finished putting up an immense derrick with which they can lower and raise a loaded car and place it on the track for transportation. New houses are being finished and occupied by new families. Everything is already for shipping ore as soon as the railroad company will receive it. The side track and loops are all finished.

There were several car loads of iron pushed upon the **Breen mine** side track the other day, preparatory to laying track again. There are about fifteen miles of road bed finished for the iron now, and all will be done in a month, probably.

A man by the name of **Barney Collum** was killed in one of the cuts the other night by a stump rolling upon him.

Everything looks very prosperous at the **Breitung**. To-day is pay day at both mines. The men receive their pay and go at once to work, showing that they appreciate the

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idea of laying up their wages these hard times.

The weather continues very warm with an occasional shower of rain. There is a general good state of health.

A great many deer are making their appearance in this locality, which will make fine sport for sportsmen.

WOLVERINE.

LATER – The shipping of ore began at the **Breen** on the 16th, when **Capt. Schwartz** had seventeen cars loaded, 50 cars on the 18th, and 50 cars on the 20th.

Mr. **John R. Wood**, of Ishpeming, paid us a visit to-day; he is on his way to the **Commonwealth** mine.

Scarcely a day pass without a great number of men passing up the line; most of them are after work, but some are looking for a place to locate in business. Such are the men we want. They are still laying iron, and it will be but a short time before the track will reach the **Breitung**. **Supt. Whitehead** is pushing the work at the **Breitung** mine very energetically, as well as at the **Breen**, and both mines look very promising. Improvements at both localities are constantly being made, and each place begins to look quite town like.

A great many hunters are coming in now, mostly from Chicago, and game is plenty [plentiful].

Mr. **A.C. Brown** brought a party of ladies with him the other day over the wagon road. They were nieces of his and his daughter. They expressed themselves highly delighted with the trip. We were glad to see them – wish some more would come.

WOLVERINE.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 476

[Saturday, September 1, 1877], page 4, columns 4-5

THE MENOMINEE RANGE. – The railroad will be completed to the **Breitung** mine in about two weeks, if no serious delays occur. The bridge over the Sturgeon river is nearly finished, and the grading is progressing steadily.

The shipments from the **Breen** mine to this date comprise 200 cars, or about 1,200 tons – not quite half the ore which had previously been mined. Outsiders visiting us, particularly those acquainted with iron ores, are quite agreeably surprised to find the Menominee range ores so rich and pure. Experts pronounce them equal to any of the same class of ores found in the Marquette district.

At the **Breitung** work is progressing favorably, though operations have been somewhat retarded by the delay in laying the railroad track to this point. Still, the men find enough to do in building and finishing houses for the winter, and it is confidently expected that the road will be finished in time to ship all the ore contracted for this season's delivery. It is doubtful, however, if shipments will be made through the winter by rail to the Wisconsin furnaces, though there has been considerable talk to that effect.

A laughable occurrence took place here the other morning. Our gentlemanly clerk "went out a hunting" for deer, and was not long in coming upon a large herd. Singling out one of them, he banged away, and put eighteen buckshot into its neck, which was broken. Fearing it was not dead, and that it might start up and get away, he drew his revolver and put six pistol balls into his head, when, notwithstanding it did not stir, he ran up and, clubbing his gun, beat it over the head until he was fully satisfied it was quite dead -- though he did not come to that conclusion until he had broken his gun. He

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then came home and reported, and sent out some men to bring his trophy into camp. We all agreed that he couldn't have killed that deer any deader if he'd had a whole pack of artillery along with him.

Deer are more than plenty.

WOLVERINE.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 479 [Saturday, September 22, 1877], page 4, column 1

We learn that work has been commenced at the **Quinnesalk** [*sic* – *Quinnesec*] mine, a contract having been let to a Milwaukee party. It is the intention to ship a cargo of the ore before the close of the season. The grading of the west end of the railroad has been completed, and the track will be laid into the mine before many days.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 480 [Saturday, September 29, 1877], page 4, column 1

AN interest in 3,000 acres of well selected iron lands, in the Menominee Range, and adjacent to mines now being opened, for sale at a bargain. For further information apply to or address the editor of the MINING JOURNAL.

MAJ. T.B. BROOKS and **Prof. Pumpelly** have returned from their examination of the Menominee Range, and speak highly of its prospects. They say the **Commonwealth mine**, on the Wisconsin side of the river, gives promise of ultimately becoming one of the best mines in the country, the deposit being apparently very large and the ore of the best quality.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 481 [Saturday, October 6, 1877], page 4, column 1

THE *Menominee Herald* says that the prospect for the extension of the railroad to the **Commonwealth mine** in Wisconsin, is every day growing brighter. If the deposit of ore is nearly as extensive as reported, and we see no reason to doubt its being so, the building of a railroad to it will be a question of short time only.

The same paper records the fact that an order has been received for 4,000 tons more of the **Breen** ore, from the same parties to whom the first shipment were made. This is the best evidence that could be had of the good quality of the ore, unless it turns out that it is being sold at figures below the market rates – which is very often done by parties trying to introduce a new ore, however unexceptionable its quality.

MENOMINEE RANGE. – Our correspondent writes us that the iron is laid to within two miles of the **Quinnesec mine**. A report received from the furnace owners who took the first cargoes of **Breen** ore is very satisfactory, the more especially as it was accompanied by an order for all the ore of the same kind that can be mined and shipped the present season. As a consequence the mine force has been increased, and from twenty-five to thirty cars are being shipped daily.

The name of the **Breitung mine** has been changed to **Vulcan**, which will also be the name of the new post-office, which has been applied for. The spur at the Vulcan is being pushed vigorously, the company being desirous of shipping all the ore possible before the close of navigation.

A big show is being made at the **Quinnesec**, and mining will soon begin, in

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order to have a cargo ready by the time the road is finished to the mine.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 484 [Saturday, October 27, 1877], page 4, column 1

WE learn from the *Menominee Herald* that the iron was laid on the bridge across the river, near the **Quinnesec mine**, last Monday, and that trains are now running through to the end of the track.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 485 [Saturday, November 3, 1877], page 4, column 1

MENOMINEE RANGE ITEMS. – The iron has finally been laid as far as the **Quinnesec**, and trains running through on time. Shipments from the mine will soon be commenced.

Shipments from the **Breen mine** average fifteen to twenty-five cars per day.

Shipments from the **Vulcan mine** will be commenced about Monday next, and will consist of nearly a hundred cars per day. The ore on the docks – about 5,000 tons – has all been sold, and a market for as much more secured.

The spur was finished Friday last. The dwellings and other buildings are nearly all completed, and everything arranged for the winter's campaign.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 485 [Saturday, November 3, 1877], page 8, column 1

[To the Editor.]

A TRIP TO THE MENOMINEE RANGE. – Having just returned from a trip to the

Menominee iron range, I herewith enclose you a brief outline of my experience in that important, but yet undeveloped region. Arriving at **Forty-Two**, or "**Powers**," as it is now called, I found everything in a flourishing condition. The place is laid out for a town, but the only buildings there as yet are a post-office and several boarding houses. The boarding houses are all full to overflowing. Leaving there next morning, I arrived at the **Quinnesec** during a heavy rain. At this place four buildings are going up, and are so much needed that they are being filled with merchandise while yet in an unfinished state. While here I called on **John McKenna**, of course, who is running a drug store at this place. John seems to be doing well, and is glad to see a Lake Superior man at any time. I then went over to **Dickey Brothers'** place, which is a mile and a half distant. The Dickey Brothers have kept an **Indian trading post** at this place for the last six years, and while there I examined some most magnificent furs procured from Indians and trappers. The next place I arrived at was on a section of the Menominee river called **Bad Water**, 10 miles from the **Quinnesec mine**. Here, in company with **Mr. Keyser**, of Menasha, Wis., I stopped over night at the house of a man named **Miller**, and in justice to Mr. Miller, must say that he keeps one of the best and neatest houses in the state of Michigan. I crossed the river at 7 o'clock next morning, (Sunday), on my way to the **Commonwealth mine**. I arrived there at 11 o'clock a.m. and found my way to the house of **John Tobin**. I found Tobin at home, and took dinner with him, after which we sat down together and had a smoke. After taking a short rest we started for the mine, which is half a mile distant from Tobin's house. There I found a stripping or opening of a vein of blue steel ore 162 feet wide, and 25 feet deep as far as developed. The Commonwealth company has a range of

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most thorough business men on the range, has a complete store at the Falls and intends to make the one here its equal. Read the announcement and wait for the opening if you wish to purchase new goods cheap.

–The **sleeping car**, for some time **attached to the range passenger west in the morning and east in the evening**, is now **dropped off at Marinette and the range is without the accommodations** its people prayed for some time ago. The range train service was poor enough the Lord knows with the back-number sleeper attachment but the company seems to think that anything is good enough for us. It is easily seen why many people go from here to **Iron Mountain** to take the **M. & N. route to Milwaukee & Chicago** and it is only a matter of time when nearly everyone will go over the M. & N. to southern towns. One of our brothers of the u.p. call [*sic – calls*] the **C. & N.W. day coaches** “cattle cars” and “ramshackle combinations.”

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A Narrow Escape.

Sherman Barnes, switchman in the **Norway yard**, narrowly escaped being killed, Thursday. Early in the morning the crew were switching cars at the **Curry** and Barnes was breaking [*sic – braking*] when by some unknown means he was thrown from the car, dropping between the tracks. A rod under a “jimmy” caught him and dragged him about fifteen feet. The train was stopped as soon as possible and the brakeman was extracted. A leg and an arm were quite badly bruised up and he received a small scalp-wound caused by

his head coming in contact with the flange of a truck wheel. On Saturday last Barnes came here from **Iron Mountain** and was for a short time breaking [*sic – braking*] at **Crystal Falls** and his home is in Ohio near Cleveland. He is stopping at the **Chicago House** and will not be able to work for some days.

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Moonlight Picnic.

On Wednesday night a number of young ladies and gentlemen spent a few pleasant hours picnicing [*sic – picnicking*] at the west of the **Norway hill**. The night was a not cold, but just cold enough and the moon, altho' not full, furnished sufficient light to make the outing a pleasure. The program was made up of many games such as “hide and seek” and “pussy wants a corner.” Some of the party hid behind big thistles, so plentiful in this region, and it will be days before they get all the briars out of their hands. Everybody claims to have had a “great big time” and it is presumed that the result will be more moonlight picnics. Among those in the party were Misses **Abbie Colwell, Chattie Meroney, Belle Kennedy, Helen McKinstrey, Bessie Perkins, Eva Monroe, Mamie Hosking, Aggie Flannigan, Emily Oliver, Florence Balsom** and **Kate Keating**, and Mrssrs. **O.M. Sattre, Don Cameron, R.C. Henderson, M. Godfrey, John Welch, Abner Hosking, John Hews, Ben. Trethewey** and **John Wills**.

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Vulcan Notes.

L.F. Springer returned from Chicago, Thursday, and he expects by the first of the week to receive **eight or ten cars of new furniture for his store at Norway.**

Miss **Grace Warren** of Mifflinburg, Pa., is visiting the family of her brother **G.B. Warren.** Miss Warren will remain here and at **Iron Mountain** during the winter.

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He Would Use a Knife.

Henry Lozo, train boy on the branch[,] has been very much scared for some time on account of threats, he claims were made by a peddler [*sic – peddler*], named **Elias George** and three associates, to take his life. Lozo claims to have lost several runs fearing he might meet George on the train. Thursday morning Lozo was on the train attending his duties and at **Iron Mountain** the peddler [*sic – peddler*] again appeared. The train men noted the fact that he was a passenger and a brakeman noticed also that he carried an open knife in a vest pocket. The passenger appeared excited, pulled off his coat and hat, threw them in a seat and then began looking about the car presumably for the **news boy.** **Kernan, a brakeman,** fearing trouble, grabbed George and succeeded in getting the knife from him and aided by other men, took from his pocket a revolver. He was placed under arrest by the conductor and when the train arrived here **Officer Truscott** took the man

in charge. He was taken to jail. He will be given a hearing before Judge Hay, today.

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Church Notes.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Vertin will make his pastoral visit to **Norway** and administer the **Sacrament of Confirmation** immediately on the completion of the work in the church.

Rev. Father Reynaerts, of Crystal Falls, will come in the course of a week and administer [*sic*] to the spiritual wants of the **Flemish-Belgian** portion of **St. Mary's congregation.**

The fresco work in **St. Mary's church** is progressing very satisfactorily. At the present writing the ceiling is all done and the artists have commenced decorating the sanctuary wall. **Fr. Kehoe** is satisfied that what has been done so far equals if not surpasses anything he has seen in the Catholic churches of the Upper Peninsula., the Bishop's Cathedral excepted. By stepping up to the gallery, the visitor may obtain an excellent view of the ceiling decoration and the trouble will be well paid. Together with the frescoing the entire wood-work of the interior will be grained and the window-lights painted to harmonize with the rest.

Miss **Rosenia Calaway** of De Pere, Wis., arrived Thursday evening and entered at once on her duties as **housekeeper to Fr. Kehoe.** Until this lady's services have been secured, Miss **Nellie Power** looked after the household matters in the Parochial residence and in a manner which more than gratified the Pastor and all concerned.

The fresco artists, who are decorating **St. Mary's church,** wanted to buy a pint of

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Linseed oil the other day from parties who use said material and were provided therewith and if a pint could not be spared they would have been grateful for even a spoonful. Impossible! Such a tremendous favor would make of them a ruined community, as Mark Twain says. The writer strongly suspects that had the request come from other quarters, no scruples whatever would have been felt.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–Two chimney sweeps operated about the town this week.

–Anton Odill has just finished an addition to his residence.

–Two new houses more were begun at Ingallsdorf, this week.

–Charley Springer has nearly completed his snug little home in Frederickton.

–The Roche building on Railroad St. is being sided and thoroughly repaired.

–Jno. [John] Lindquist is putting in a wood heating furnace in the basement of his residence.

–New desks were placed in Miners' hall, Wednesday, for the use of the new primary department.

–The old Walker building at Ingallsdorf is being refitted for a meat market and will be occupied in a few days by Frank Ahlich.

–Harry Muggley will remain in Norway and devote his energies to building up his already good trade in pianos; organs and sewing machines.

–From manager Calhoun of the Mansfield mine, we learn that the new town of Mansfield is growing very fast. The demand for lots being very satisfactory.

–Frank Patterson, with John A. Harvey, Chicago, while hunting with W.F. Willard on the Sturgeon, accidentally shot himself in the arm, Friday night. The accident occurred by his slipping from a log, discharging a Winchester, sending the bullet through the right arm, just below the elbow. He is at the Chicago House and under the care of Dr. Lockart. His arm may be saved. He will probably go home tonight.

–Ed. Johnson, who has been with Peter Young for a couple of months[,] has resigned.

–We have been informed by J.G. Butler Jr. of Youngstown, Ohio, that it is probable that the Briar Hill Iron and Coal Co., of which he is an officer, will lay out an addition to Norway, south of the railroad on Sec. 8.

–Capt. Isaac Williams of the Aragon has nearly completed a very comfortable residence at Frederickton and Capt. William Skewes of the same mine has purchased a lot on the shore of Lake Mary and will build on it this Fall [sic – fall].

–Thomas Rundle[,] one of Iron Mountain['s] pioneer citizens, who has been in ill health for some time, has gone with his family to Colorado Springs and will go from there to southern California. Everybody hopes that "Tom" will return as robust and energetic as of old.

–The obscene language used by two hoodlums who passed through Ingallsdorf, Tuesday night, was the lowest of low. If an officer was stationed on the other side of the track at night he

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would have more business than he could 'tend to. **Night prowlers of the hoodlum kind seem to be growing in number.**

–A division was made in the primary department of the public school on Monday and about forty scholars are now being taught in a room in **Miners' hall**, by **Miss Abbie Colwell**. In all probability, when winter comes the new department will be discontinued as many of the younger pupils will not attend school.

–Those of our readers who have been in the habit of applying to **Ross Robinson** when in need of a good **St. Bernard dog**, must not think that because he has gone to **Iron Mountain** to live that he has gone out of business. He now has about **forty dogs of first class pedigree**, and all orders will be promptly filled and satisfaction guaranteed.

–**Mrs. A.L. Copeland** has returned from Chicago, and will on Tuesday open out at **Iron Mountain** in the **Parent block**, one of the finest stocks of millinery, **Fancy Goods**, and **Ladies' Furnishings** ever brought to the range. As the stock is entirely new it will of course contain the latest styles and fabrics, and the ladies of the range are respectfully invited to call and examine. A first-class milliner [sic – milliner] from Chicago has been secured.

–The case of **Elias George**, for sureties to keep the peace – of which mention was made in last week's issue – was tried in **Thos. Hay's** court, Tuesday before a jury. **George**, [sic] is an **Arab** and gains a livelihood by peddling, who it seems was assaulted [sic] by a railroad employee and who it is claimed intended to do bodily harm to the railroad employee, **Henry Lozo**. **George** was acquitted.

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Fire Alarm.

At a meeting of the members of the fire department, Wednesday night, the following fire alarm signals were adopted, the location signals to be given after the alarm of fire. **Fire in town** two taps of bell; **Frederickton**, three taps; **Norway location**, four taps; **Vulcan**, five taps; **O'Callaghan's mill**, six taps. For calling the firemen to the engine house for purposes other than fire the bell will be tolled.

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Vulcan Notes.

Capt. Curnow, of **East Vulcan**, has been breaking his young horse **Commander to harness**, and proposes to drive him during the coming winter.

Mr. Arseme Jouno and **Miss Helen Jouno**, nephew, and niece of **Mr. Frank Jouno**, have been spending a week at the **Sturgeon farm**, and returned to their home in Wisconsin, Thursday.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–**Miss Cora Miner** is clerking at **Lindquist's store**.

–**Sam. Bridges** has a contract to put in about **2,000,000 of pine** this winter.

–**S.W. Klass** arrived here last week and is now placing in shape the **High jewelry**

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store, which for some time has [been] under the charge of **H. Muggley**.

–**W.H. Ramsdell** purchased a lot from **Anton Odill** early in the week. The lot lies opposite **Mr. Odill's** residence and east of the town hall.

–More sidewalk is being laid at **Frederickton**, but we do not know how much will be finished. It looks, though, as if it might be the intention to extend it to the **Swedish Baptist church**.

–“**The Leader**” is now ready for business and any quantity of it. The store is the largest in town, the goods finely selected and well displayed. Hundreds of pieces of dress goods to select from all of the latest pattern [sic – patterns]. See advertisement.

–A very exciting runaway occurred Wednesday evening. The team was owned by **Chas. Treiber** and started from **O'Callaghan's** mill. The driver, **Mox**, was sitting on the reach of the wagon, hanging onto the ribbons [reins], through town. When the outfit turned **High's** corner the wagon struck a hitching post in front of **Joe. Rowe's**, detaching the hind wheels, and the team pulled up in front of **Treiber's** livery with **Mox** still on the reach. The driver showed clear grit and didn't become unnerved in the least.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Mrs. D.A. Stewart and children and **Mrs. William Kelly** of **Vulcan**, left Wednesday to visit their homes in Pennsylvania. **Mrs. Stewart** goes to **Williamsburg** and **Mrs. Kelly** to **Everett**. They will remain east until December. **Mr.**

Kelly, we understand, will go east next month.

John Cox of **Buckingham**, Canada, brother of **J.J.** and **Patrick Cox**, arrived here Tuesday morning and will remain in this vicinity during the winter.

Frank Siller, for some years with his brother-in-law **J.D. Sampson**[,] leaves today for his home at **Houghton** where he will remain.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–Every day witnesses the beginning of a new house at **Frederickton**.

–**Capt. Perkins** sold his gray team to **Benane & Keating** and they have it in their livery barn.

–**Eli Jareau**, brakeman on the **Norway switch**, had a finger smashed while on duty, Wednesday.

–The renovating of **St. Mary's church** is nearly completed under the able hands of **Mr. Thomas Merritt**.

–**John Quarnstrom**, at the **Aragon**, accidentally got dirt in one of his eyes and since has had a quite painful optic.

–The overseer of highways has about completed the sidewalk as far as the **Swedish Baptist church** at **Ingallsdorf**.

–**J.E. Bergeron** informs us that he will do some extensive logging this winter. He expects to put in at least 8,000,000 ft. much of it on **Pine creek**.

–**Frank Ahlich** has about finished the renovation of the old **Walker** stand at **Ingallsdorf** and will soon open up a first class meat market therein.

–The new house at **Ingallsdorf** recently built by judge [sic – Judge] **Flanagan** for a

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boarding house, is occupied, although we have not learned the name of the occupant.

–Fred. Kinney will build two or more houses for rent within a short time, and will also build a house for his **sash, door and blind factory** at Frederickton.

–Messrs. Benane & Keating[,] who recently purchased the **Collins livery stable**[,] are determined to make it a successful enterprise by adding to the outfit new stock and new conveyances. They propose to make the accommodation, first class.

–J. Benane, for some years **yard master in the Norway and Vulcan yard**, resigned his position with the company last week. His position was taken by Ed. Smith an old employe [sic – employee] of the company and who did his first railroad work in this yard.

–Mr. and Mrs. August Frangquist were surprised by a visit from a large number of friends and neighbors, last Saturday evening. The occasion was the **anniversary of the birthday of Mrs. Frangquist and the sixth anniversary of the marriage of the happy couple**. THE CURRENT extends its well wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Frangquist, all the more earnestly because of the fact that its editor was the clerk---- justice who officiated at the joining of the hearts and hands of the worthy couple.

–What is the matter with the management of the **passenger traffic on the range branch of the C. & N.W. Ry.** The morning trains are packed like **cattle cars, and many fail to find seats. Two cars are made to carry what would comfortably fill three.** Besides, this is the season when the lumbermen are going into the woods and oft-times, (as we said some weeks ago) three or four boys will fill a car. Put on another car gentlemen, for humanity's sake. The cars are bad enough

and dirty enough, now give us enough in number.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

William Peryam, for some time employed at the Norway, will depart in a few days for New York city where he will be employed at the **Universal Hotel**. His business will be to "run" for the hotel at the steamboat docks. On Monday or Tuesday he will leave for the upper country to advertise the house. "Billie," as he is called, is a mighty nice boy and he has many friends who wish him well.

C.F. Whelan[,] of **Marinette**, is **prescription clerk at the High drug store**. He arrived last week and commenced his work in the store early in the week. Mr. Whelan comes to us highly recommended as a **druggist** and we find him a very pleasant gentleman.

D.F. Mullins, late of this township but now of Escanaba and in the employ of the **C. & N.W. Co.**, is in town, being called here by the illness of his aged mother. His many friends here are glad to know that he is doing well and wish him success.

Mrs. W.H. Knight, mother of the editor of this paper, who has been spending the past two weeks here, left Tuesday for a few days visit with another son (**Ralph**) at **Commonwealth**, when she will return to her home.

Ed. McCarn, for some time employed in the **C. & N.W. Co's. Norway yard**, left on Wednesday morning for **Crystal Falls**. We understand he is to go to **Ironwood** where he will be employed on the **Wisconsin Central**.

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catch the fellows who put up that job on him he will warm their jackets for them or they can warm his. He likes a joke as well as anybody, but that sort of thing is no joke to a quiet young stranger who has just come here to work in the mines. THE RANGE owes an apologize [*sic – apology*] to Mr. Lightfoot for being made unwittingly the vehicle of the hoax upon him.

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Sam Stephenson and Iron Mountain.

It is not generally known that **Congressman Sam Stephenson**, who was so generously abused here at the recent election, was **one of the pioneers of Iron Mountain**. When **Charlie Parent** set up his tent in what was then literally the wilderness, Sam Stephenson came forward and presented him with the lot on which Mr. Parent's brick building now stands. That was undoubtedly the nucleus of Iron Mountain, as a city, and it is difficult to say whether Carlie Parent or our congressman deserves the more credit, the one for his business enterprise, or the other for his generous prescience [*sic*]. The lot which Mr. Stephenson gave away [*is*] now worth a good many thousands of dollars, which he might just as well have had in his pocket now as not. But as a matter of fact, taking into account the prosperity of this whole district, he is none the poorer, while Iron Mountain is all the richer.

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A Narrow Escape from Blazes.

Dickie Silverwood, one of the occupants of the **Bank building**, on Friday night, thought he smelt [*sic – smelled*] fire somewhere in his vicinity, and a very short investigation led him to believe that the fire was in the next room, which is occupied by **Justice Bergeron** as a courtroom. When he entered that room he found it filled with smoke, and a glowing red spot in the floor near the wall showed him where the mischief was at work. A few buckets of water soon quenched the smouldering [*sic – smoldering*] fire, which had already eaten a large hole right through the floor, above **Wright Bro's store**, besides blistering the base board panelling [*sic – paneling*]. **Dave Bergeron** says he can only account for the affair by presuming that **two Jewish peddlers**, who were taking out garnishee warrants before him late in the afternoon, and who smoked cigarettes persistently all the time, must have thrown the ends of their cigarettes into the sawdust-filled papier-mache spittoon, and that these had smouldered [*sic – smoldered*] until they had at last eaten through the sawdust and spittoon, and done the damage now reported.

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BELLA ITALIA AND THE KNIFE.

Forty Dagos Break up the Furniture in a Saloon, Stab the Landlady, and

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Then have a General Cutting Match.

Shortly after the result of the elections had been sized up by the board of registration in the fourth ward, information arrived that a most formidable riot was in full blast in the saloon run by **George Pastori**, on Brown street, and that several people had been stabbed. A number of persons hastily made their way to the scene of the fracas, and found George Pastori, the proprietor, and his wife in a condition pretty nearly bordering upon frenzy, and it was noticed that blood was flowing from a gash cut under one of the eyes of the woman. The steps and sidewalk in front of the saloon were strewn with broken glass, fragments of chairs, billiard balls, and smashed cues, while the whole front of the building seemed to have been torn out by a cyclone. **Officers Sims and Nankivell** waded in among the swart-faced gang who were gesticulating around the building, and succeeded in arresting two of the most prominent of the rioters. These were lodged in jail. George Pastori was in such a state of excitement that he could give no intelligible account of the row. THE RANGE, however, learned that early in the evening a crowd of Italians, numbering from thirty to forty, had gathered in the saloon to play pool and drink beer. As they were from all parts of Italy a good deal of banter was passed between those who claimed different provinces as the place of their nativity. This banter soon developed into rancour [*sic – rancor*], which culminated through a circumstance that occurred at the pool table about ten o'clock. **Peter Marriano** and another man were playing a game, and as Marriano was obviously the worse for liquor, **Frank Villa**, the cousin of the proprietor of the house, warned him to

be careful and not cut the cloth. Marriano made a lunge at the ball with his cue and knocked it off the table, and Villa stooped down, picked it up, and replaced it on the spot. Marriano again played and again knocked the ball off, and when Villa again bent down to pick it up, Marriano, either angry because he had played so badly or because he had been asked not to tear up the cloth, drew a knife and slashed Villa across the loins. Then a friend of Marriano's jumped forward, drew his knife, and also slashed into the prostrate man. In an instant every Italian in the room was on his feet, and, as if by preconcerted arrangement, they separated into two divisions, broadly representing the north and south of Italy. Arming themselves with chairs, cues, billiard balls, and knives, sweet representatives from Piedmont, Liguria, Lombardy, Venetia, Umbria, Tuscany, Latium, Campania, Apulia, Calabria, Sicily, and Sardinia, threw themselves upon each other furiously, and soon there were broken heads, cut bodies, and innumerable bruises. Mrs. Pastori happened to be caught in the midst of the murderous crowd, and while she was trying to escape, screaming at the top of her voice, some ruffian slashed her under the eye with his knife, and she fainted, fell, and was trampled upon. The gang gradually fought their way towards the door, having in the meantime smashed up every window in the place, and at length surged out upon the sidewalk, where the great dago battle was continued. George Pastori himself was hemmed in behind the bar, and although he tried to go to the assistance of his wife was beaten back and could do nothing. The appearance of officers **Bob Nankivell** and **Billy Sims** exercised a sedative effect. An attempt was threatened to rescue the two prisoners they made, but was chilled into inaction by a fortuitous display of billies [*billyclubs*] and revolvers, though the

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captives were followed by an angry mob right up to the door of the "cooler." On the following day officers Sims and **Martin** arrested four more of the rioters. Young Villa, the first man who was knifed, is still so ill that he cannot give any coherent account of the row, and it is not probable that the prisoners will have their trial until to-day [*sic – today*], when **Prosecuting Attorney Cook** will prosecute. On Tuesday, several Italians climbed up to the bars in the window of the jail, and held conversation with their imprisoned compatriots. This coming to the ear of **Deputy Sheriff O'Hara**, and a belief spreading around that the Italian prisoners meant to break jail, assisted by certain of their countrymen, special precautions were at once taken to prevent the law being cheated in that way. Many of these Italians, ignorant, quick-tempered, jealous and treacherous, are a danger to the community, which can by no means lose anything if the men who are now prisoners get the full benefit of the law – *pour encourager les autres*, as the French would say, with a very significant meaning. Three more Italians who were arrested yesterday have been released on bail.

The following are the prisoners implicated: **Nazereno, Paluzolo, Martin Vincenzo, Augustino Buciatti, A. Maritini, or Marriano, Peter Chiararini, Silvestra, Nicola, and Rinaldo.**

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A Cannibal in Civilization.

On the table in the court room of **Justice Bergeron** to-day [*sic – today*] there is a **bottle holding something that looks like a section of a peach floating in**

spirits. Sitting a few feet from it, and gazing at it intently, there is a man with the lower part of his face swathed in white bandages. The thing that looks like the section of a peach is a human lower lip, and the man with the bandaged face sitting looking at it is **Harry Sampson**, to whom it once belonged. On Monday evening a Cornishman named **Wm. J. Daw**, who has gained a good deal of previous disgraceful notoriety in Iron Mountain, went into **Tom Buzzo's saloon**, with the obvious intention of making a disturbance over something that had occurred between his brother-in-law, a man named **Saunders**, and Buzzo, some time ago. First of all Daw pitched on to a little fellow and was going to lick him. Then he followed Harry Sampson out to the back yard, threw his arms around his neck as if he were going to embrace him, and, suddenly bending forward, deliberately devoured Sampson's face, finally succeeding in biting off the under lip. Though dreadfully mutilated, Sampson went in search of the officers, and raised a sensation in the city hall when he appeared there and made his story known. **Officers O'Hara** and **Martin** went in search of Daw, whom they found at home, and arrested him. Justice Bergeron held the cannibal in \$1,000 bonds, and as there is not a Cornishman in town that is not ashamed of him, Daw could get no one to go his bail, and he had to go to jail, where he has remained since Monday night. To-day his trial takes place before Justice Bergeron, **Prosecuting Attorney Cook** representing the people. The courtroom is crowded.

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What Astonished the Old Cow.

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An old cow of an inquiring turn of mind went up to a clothes line on Ludington street a few days ago and commenced investigating a collection of socks, undergarments, pillow cases, sheets, etc. It was evidently struck by the appearance of one of the sheets, and commenced pulling at it. The sheet dropped on crummy's [sic] horns and fell over her eyes. She stood bewildered for a moment, and then tried to shake the sheet off. Failing to do this, after she had nearly jerked her neck out of joint, she made a frantic rush out of the yard, and ran kerslap [sic] against the fence. She managed to get out on the street, and galloped towards the railway track, pursued by almost every dog in town. Tossing her head, she ran along the M. & N. track, and fell cross the ties near Brown street. Here a man pulled the sheet off her horns, and she trotted home, a sadder and a wiser cow, doubtless declaring in her own bovine way that she wouldn't monkey with clothes' lines [sic – clotheslines] any more [sic – anymore].

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Jewish versus Christian Sprinting.

Although sporting circles are trying to keep the matter quiet it is pretty generally known that an interesting pedestrian event took place here last week between Jack Eslick, the drayman (brother of Joe Eslick[,] the popular young barber) and Julius Roberts, a Jewish jewelry peddler, the passion of whose existence is trading "vatches." It was a go-as-you-please sprint race, with the stakes fixed on the same principle. The Jew got off first

with a flying start, with Jack pounding along close at his heels. As both pedestrians literally flew along the sidewalk on Stephenson avenue, the small boys yelled, the livery stable men cheered, and the draymen reined in their fiery untamed steeds to watch the thrilling contest at their leisure. Julius was the first to reach the crossing at the M. & N. depot, and making a sharp turn to the left he took up the ties. This adroit movement surprised Jack, and gave the Jew the advantage of several yards. Nothing daunted, however, Jack took to the ties also, and made a desperate spurt which brought him within an inch or two of Julius' flying coattails. The race would probably continued into Wisconsin, but the Jew began to get winded, while it was evident to every navvy [unskilled laborer] on the track that Jack had not only struck his gait, but had gotten his second wind. About a mile from the depot, he had gained enough to enable him to seize Julius by the collar and bring him to a standstill. This finished the great race, but what took place afterward history doesn't record.

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Sharp Lessons in Bogus Insurance.

Since the big fire which destroyed so much of the north-eastern section of Iron Mountain about four months ago, a good many people have had their eyes opened to the necessity of being very careful about the insurance companies in which they propose to insure and the agents whom they employ to secure their policies. After considerable trouble the firm of Silverman, Davis & Levy, who were

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insured in certain Chicago firms for \$4,000, have had their claims settled for \$3,750. The story of **Christ. Grossbusch's** connection with the mythical insurance company of Anderson, state of Alabama, is now well-known; but he intends to prosecute **H.E. Pease**, the agent who persuaded him to insure in that wildcat concern, on the ground that if there never was any such insurance company, Mr. Pease must certainly know where the premiums went to. Mr. Pease is now in Washington territory, but Mr. Grossbusch says he is determined to reach him ever there. Mr. Grossbusch was insured in two other southern companies – the Fairfax, for \$900, and the State of Virginia, for \$750. These companies have refused to pay up, and their victim has employed **Dick Flannigan** to prosecute them in the United States Court. The firms who paid up to Silverman, Davis & Levy were – The Commercial Union Assurance Company, London, (Eng.), The Western Assurance Company, Toronto, Canada, The Niagara Fire Insurance Company, New York, The American Fire Insurance Company, Philadelphia, The London and Lancashire (limited), London, and the Angelo Nevada Insurance Corporation, San Francisco.

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The Guileless Sheriff of Florence.

A Florence “tough” named **Billy Watson** was held to the criminal court last Wednesday in default of \$500. Under the pretense of looking for bail Watson lead **Sheriff Parmenter** from saloon to saloon until they came to the place run by **Chris. Daly**. Here somebody held the guileless

sheriff in conversation about bail and so forth, and Mr. Watson naturally improved the opportunity to skip out of the back door, jump into a rig with a “pal” named **Barney Aaron**, and drive for the Michigan border with all the speed they could lick out of the team. Sheriff Parmenter was naturally very much “surprised” at such an extraordinary thing happening, and dispatched **Deputy Sheriff Kinnear** to try and recapture the fortunate prisoner, who laughed at him across the Brule river, even going so far, it is said, as to put his thumb to his nose, and wiggle his outstretched fingers at the baffled representative of Wisconsin law. Sheriff Parmenter telegraphed to **Deputy Sheriff O’Hara** here to have the men arrested, but Mr. O’Hara was in **Norway** at the time, and the consequent delay enabled Watson and a man named **Dolan** to escape to an infamous den across the river [*house of ill repute*], where they now are, so that they are once again in Sheriff Parmenter’s own territory, and he can, if he really wants to, not only capture his bird, but also clean out a ranch [*house of ill repute*] which is **notoriously a harbour [sic – harbor] of refuge for almost every criminal that escapes from Iron Mountain into Wisconsin**. The Mining News is mistaken in saying that Watson and Dolan were permitted by the officers of Iron Mountain to escape by a northern train. We have just told where they have been located by our officers, and it remains for the guileless sheriff of Florence to profit by the information.

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Personal and Social.

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Dr. W.J. Spencer, the dentist, is in Crystal Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Evans and Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Ingram have been visiting their parents in Florence.

Mrs. R.P. Tuten returned from Chicago last Tuesday, and, we are glad to say, reports a very favorable change in the condition of Miss Tuten.

Mr. J.J. Eskil, the photographer, has recently taken views of the scene of the Elmwood disaster in which the late lieutenant-governor was killed.

Mr. Henry S. Swift, formerly one of the proprietors of THE RANGE, has been doing business in the copper country during the past week.

Patsy Darrington, the light-weight pugilist, says he is going to make Crystal Falls his home for the future – at all events, for some time to come.

City Clerk Frank Crocker is still confined to his bed with rheumatism, and has been so ill that he could not take any part in Monday's election.

Fred Bowden, the handsome sheriff of Houghton county, was in this city last Thursday and Friday on business connected with the Goldsworthy defalcation.

Herb Armstrong, Charley Rupp, Will Kingsford, and Ed. Kingsford went up to Manistique on Tuesday on what we understand to be important private business.

Ans. F. Wright, the well-known merchant, left for Chicago on Monday, to purchase a general stock of goods with which he hopes to "paralyze" Iron Mountain on his return.

Pete Trepanier, an old settler on the Michigamme, two miles and a half from the M. & N. road, right back of Holmes siding, came into the city on Monday to vote in the 4th ward.

Miss H. Brown returned from Chicago last Monday, accompanied by a first-class milliner. Ladies are invited to call on Miss Brown and make the acquaintance of the new modiste.

"Go west, young man; go west!" **Jonh [sic - John] Bennetts** (formerly of the blacksmith firm of S. Noble & Bennetts) and **John Harris** have both left Iron Mountain for Washington territory.

Dr. Gareau, whose absence from Iron Mountain caused some people unnecessary anxiety, returned to Iron Mountain on Saturday after performing a very successful operation on a patient in Duluth.

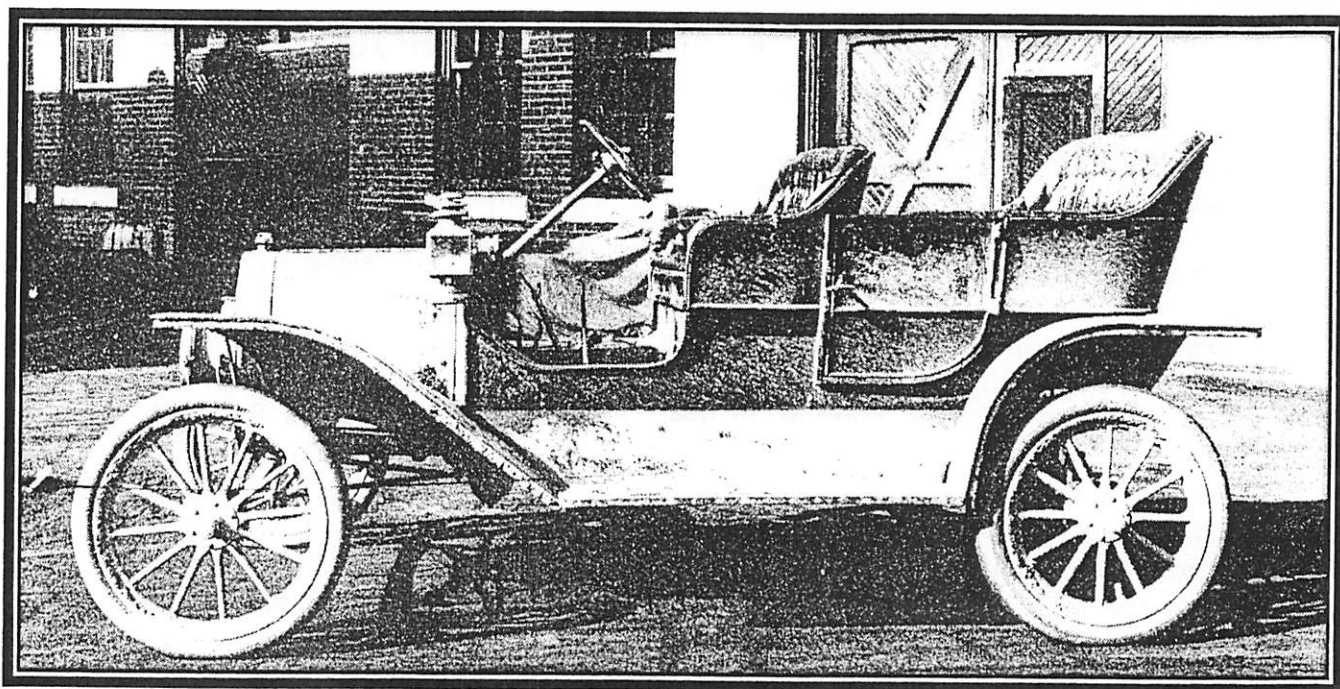
When Postmaster Hugh McLaughlin was in Grand Rapids last week he took the high degrees of masonry during the session of the DeWitt-Clinton consistory, and he doesn't look a penny the worse for his experience.

Mr. Rodda, who went to Colorado with his family last July, returned to Iron Mountain on Monday, accompanied by Messrs. Western and Trembath. All parties will make Iron Mountain their home in the future.

Joe McKevitt, of the M. & N. road, has been transferred from Janesville, Wis., to Iron Mountain, which is in the meantime to be his headquarters. Mr. McKevitt will remove his family here from Janesville in the course of a few days.

John A. Rupp, a brother of Charley Rupp, of the Lake Superior Canal Co., passed through Iron Mountain last Sunday to take up a position in Bessemer for the same company. He is a remarkably big, stalwart fellow, though younger than Charley.

There have been some changes made at the M. & N. freight yard. Pete Garvie [sic - Garvey], formerly yardmaster, is now running a freight train as engineer, and owing to the sudden illness of Dick



HENRY FORD'S 1908 TEST DRIVE OF THE NEW FORD MODEL T TO IRON MOUNTAIN

A little-known segment of Dickinson County's history involving Henry Ford and his new Model T automobile is documented in the *Ford Times*, Volume II, Number 2 (October 15, 1908), as well as in the *Iron Mountain Press*. The Model T Ford, affectionately known as the "flivver" and the "tin lizzie" became the most popular automobile in history with over 15 million manufactured between 1908 and 1927.

Henry Ford, B.W. Scott, one of Ford's old racing drivers, and Jim Nichols, a tester for the Ford Motor Company, made a 10-day 1,357-mile run to Iron Mountain, Michigan, via Chicago and Milwaukee, and back to Detroit to test out the new model Ford, leaving September 22 and returning October 2, 1908. Ford arrived in Iron Mountain on Saturday, September 26, and spent time in the Witch Lake district north of the city with Edward G. Kingsford, husband of Ford's first cousin, Mary Frances "Minnie" Kingsford, hunting.

According to the article in the *Ford Times*, "The car behaved admirably, requiring not even a single adjustment in the entire ten days. A punctured tire sums up the difficulties encountered en route." The article also noted: "The roads going were six inches deep in dust – returning after the rains the roads were wet and muddy, and the car when it arrived in Detroit looked as if it had been taking a mud bath." The Model T was first made available to the public on October 1, 1908, just a day before Henry Ford and B.W. Scott returned to Detroit from Iron Mountain.

The above photograph from the Ford Archives, taken October 2, 1908, shows the mud-covered 1909 Ford Model T in front of the Ford Motor Company's Piquette Avenue Factory in Detroit upon its return from the 10-day trip.

The rugged automobile used 67 gallons of gasoline for the 1,357-mile trip. The vehicle had two hand levers which were only used on the first one thousand Model T's produced. One lever operated the emergency brake and the other lever engaged high gear. There were only two foot pedals in this model. The basic design of the Model T remained with few changes for nineteen years.

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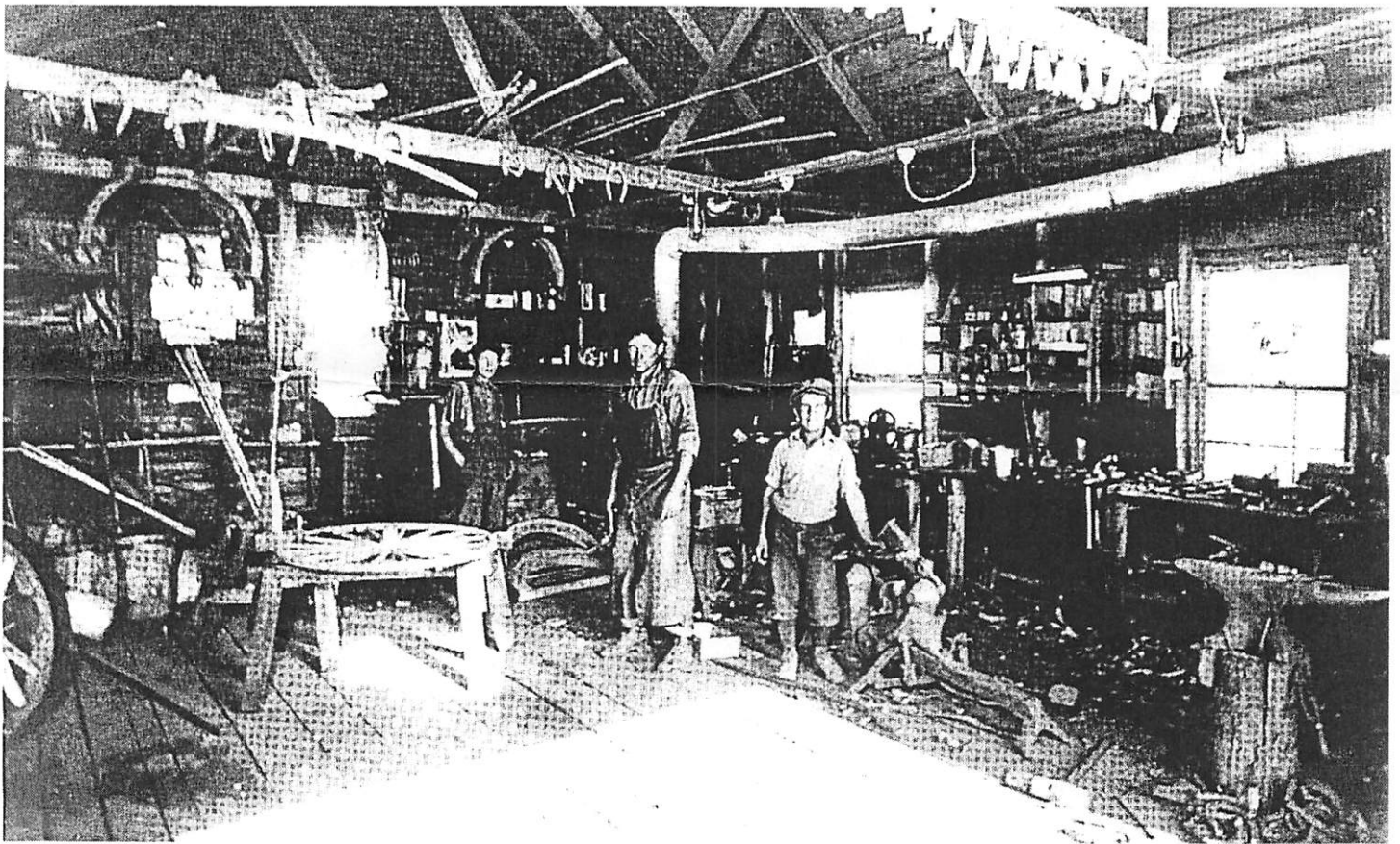
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Taken in about 1920, Louis "Louie" Byers' backsmith shop which was located across the railroad tracks and today's M-95 highway, northeast of Sagola Avenue in Sagola. Louie learned the art of blacksmithing in the lumber camps, shoeing horses, repairing harnesses and making sleighs. His first shop was a converted horse barn at Burchhalter's Camp a mile east of town. In 1918, he opened this shop, a building 30 feet by 60 feet, located across from the Standard Gas Station. Pictured (left to right) are Ken Byers, Louie Byers, the blacksmith, wearing his leather apron, and Smoky Kramer. Note the large horseshoes suitable for the work horses used in logging operations hanging from the rafters, the forge at the center of the rear wall and the anvil at the far right. According to Darryl Ertel, author of *Sagola's Early Years: A History of Sagola, Michigan* (1986), in addition to the duties outlined above, "Louie also served as the local dentist "to those with an aching tooth and a lot of guts. There was no charge for this service which usually required a shot of moonshine before the extraction began." [William J. Cummings]

CHIPS FROM CHANNING

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clairmont visited at [the home of] **Mr. and Mrs. John Couillard** last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Howard Couillard, who has been on the sick list for the past week, is much better and able to be around again.

Mrs. William Dionne has been operated on at the Deaconess Hospital in Green Bay. From reports received here she is doing nicely and we all hope for her speedy return.

Misses **Ione Worthing** and **Mabel Couillard** were tendered a **farewell surprise party** at the **Couillard home** last Friday evening. Many games were played and candy was made. **Everybody enjoyed themselves stretching candy and deemed it the greatest fun of all.** The young ladies left last Monday morning for Green Bay, Wis., where they will attend the business college the coming year. The good wishes of all are extended to the young ladies.

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CHIPS FROM CHANNING.

Mr. and Mrs. George Manning welcomed a new son last Friday.

Mrs. Tony Holz knecht entertained friends last Sunday, the occasion of her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Friess have gone to the old home at Saukville for a vacation visit.

Mrs. Walter Arens, of Iron Mountain, was a week-end [*sic – weekend*] guest of **Mesdames E.J. Kenny** and **Marvin Brisk**.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Khoury motored to Iron Mountain last Tuesday to visit with relatives and friends.

Miss **Ione Worthing**, who is attending business college at Green Bay, was a Sunday visitor at her home here.

The **potato crop** in this vicinity is said to be of very fine quality and the yield is much greater than in former years.

A baby girl came to the home of **Mr. and Mrs. Ben Roemneck** last Sunday. Mother and child doing fine, and "dad" will recover in time.

Mesdames E.J. Kenny, **Marvin Brisk** and **Frank Noonan** leave to-morrow [*sic – tomorrow*] for a visit with relatives and friends at Green Bay and Milwaukee.

Captain Robert E. Hayes writes his better half that he was at Long Island, N.Y., on Sept. 6th, and it is reasonable to presume that he is now "somewhere in France."

The **Channing schools** closed last evening to allow **Principal H.O. Bell**, and **Misses Kramer** and **Miles**, teachers, to attend the institute at **Iron Mountain to-day** [*sic – today*] and Friday.

Mrs. Patrick Tobin, of this village, and **Mrs. Herb Little**, of Escanaba, have returned from Camp Benjamin Harrison, near Indianapolis, Ind., where they visited **Clyde Tobin**. **Clyde** was rejected for overseas duty on account of a goitre [*sic – goiter*], but will remain in the army for duty in this country.

Dick Boll is in receipt of a postal card from **Keeler Calvi**, sergeant in **Company C, 107th Engineers**, from "Somewhere in France," in which he states that he had just returned from a five days' tour of duty in the trenches, and was billed for a seven-day rest period, at which time he would go back in the trenches to do his bit in hastening the end of the war. **Keeler** said he was well and enjoying army life.

At the **patriotic rally** last Friday evening, **Channing** went "over the top." A large audience was present and enthusiasm was [at] its height. **John Krummel's** oratory was one of the features of the evening. He spoke on "The Fourth Liberty Loan," and impressed his audience by his confidence that **Channing** people would subscribe her allotment of the fourth liberty loan, as they had on previous occasions. **Mrs. Knisely's** declamation, entitled "Trustees of Justice," was very fine. For twenty-five minutes **Holton Knisely** held the audience with the subject, "Why We Are At War." Miss **Jennie Johnson** was in charge of the piano and rendered an appropriate solo. The principal of the schools, **H.O. Bell**, was in charge of the meeting. The audience joined in the singing of war and patriotic songs most enthusiastically.

CHIPS FROM CHANNING

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CHIPS FROM CHANNING.

Charles Pierce, of Iron Mountain, was a business visitor in town last Monday.

The schools are making good progress, the enrollment being larger than last year.

Mrs. E.T. Redline was here from Green Bay the early part of the week, visiting old friends.

Mrs. Al Worthing and daughter, Miss Dorothy, returned last Monday from Ellis Junction, where they visited Mrs. Worthing's parents.

Paul Khoury was a motor visitor to Iron Mountain last Monday night. Went down to visit Mrs. Khoury, who is visiting relatives there for the week.

Mrs. Adele Karshouth, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Paul Khoury[,] for two months past, left the first of the week for her home in Brooklyn, New York.

The farmers hereabouts report the potato crop as about the same in yield as last year, but the quality is much superior. The acreage is somewhat less than last year.

Postmaster Boll has received a German helmet from Sergt. Keeler Calvi, from "somewhere in France." It is made of steel and weighs more than three pounds. This helmet has the name of the unfortunate who wore it written on the inside, but it is not distinct enough to be deciphered.

Chairman Boll, of the Liberty Loan committee, states that the subscriptions are coming in nicely and there is no doubt that Sagola township will "go over the top," as she has on all other patriotic measures. The quota of \$26,400 is considered large when the population of Sagola township is taken into consideration, but it will be raised – and then some.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XIV, Number 35 [Thursday, November 17, 1892], page 8, column 5

NEARING COMPLETION.

The connecting link between the Milwaukee & Northern and the Ontonagon branch will be completed about December 1. Channing is the name that has been given to the junction point near Iron Mountain, formerly known as Ford Siding, and something of a town will doubtless spring up there. By January 1 through trains will probably be run from Milwaukee to Ontonagon over this extension, instead of going around by way of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic, over which the Ontonagon trains now run between Chompion [*sic* - *Champion*] and Sidnaw.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 11 [Thursday, June 15, 1893], page 8, column 4

A new post-office has been established at Channing, this county. Thomas E. Timlin has been designated as postmaster.

The Ranger-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 16 [Thursday, July 20, 1893], page 8, column 4

Channing is a thriving town. Better buy a lot there.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 17 [Thursday, July 27, 1893], page 8, column 4

While at Channing the other day we saw a plat of the new town laid out there by the C.M. & St. P. railroad company. A new and neat depot has just been completed by the company and work will soon be begun on a new building to be used as an eating house. It being the intention of the railroad company to so arrange their time table as to bring Ontonagon trains there in time for breakfast and supper, instead of Iron Mountain. Lots are selling lively. –Ontonagon Herald.

FELCH NEWS NOTES

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several men to work at the local quarry and is offering \$3.25 per day.

John V. Sundstrom, local agent for the Ford, has delivered touring cars to the following parties during the past week: John Blomquist, Matt Ovist. It will only be a matter of a short time when nearly all of our farmers will own an auto of some kind, which goes to show that they are realizing that a car is no longer a luxury, but a necessity in their work.

The Sewing Club of the Felch school held their exhibit on May 24th. The girls exhibited garments made during the year. Each girl has completed two garments for herself in addition to those made for the Red Cross. Three of the club members demonstrated the drafting of a pattern for a kimono nightgown. Miss Simmonson, county demonstration agent, and Miss DeBoth, girls' [sic - girls'] club leader of the upper peninsula, were present and judged the work.

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DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that John Blomquist, Iver Blomquist, Carl A. Carlson and John J. Ovist, doing business as the Felch Supply Company, have dissolved partnership, the last-named partner retiring. The business will be continued by the first three named partners, who will pay all bills and to whom all debts are payable.

JOHN BLOOMQUIST [sic],

IVER BLOOMQUIST [sic],

CARL A. CARLSON.

Dated May 29th, 1918.

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FELCH NEWS NOTES

Richard Skog left for Clintonville last Tuesday.

Ed. Branback has purchased Oscar Rian's car.

Ole Klefstad has purchased a new Ford through the local agency.

Mrs. John McKee, of Foster City, visited friends here last Tuesday.

John Skog purchased a Ford car from Victor Sundstrom, the local agent.

Mary Reucker spent last Monday afternoon and evening at Foster City.

The Misses Johnson and Starrine, of Metropolitan, spent Sunday with friends here.

Dolphis LaLonde, blacksmith, is enjoying two weeks' vacation at Marinette.

Miss Ethel Carlson, of Stephenson, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Anderson.

F.F. Davis, of Ericson & Bissell Co., Escanaba, spent several days here loading posts.

Mr. and Mrs. A.T. Hoffman, of Escanaba, were visitors in our village on Wednesday.

Messrs. Meinch [sic - Miench] and Brockington, of Iron Mountain, spent Sunday with friends here.

B.L. King, representing the Delta Hardware Co., of Escanaba, called on trade Tuesday.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell and several friends, of Ralph, were visitors in our town on Wednesday.

A few of our young folks attended the Red Cross dance at Foster City last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Rian and daughter Lucile [sic] motored to Menominee on Sunday, returning Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Rian were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Moll, of Foster City, last Thursday evening.

Miss Helen Simonson and C.V. Ballard, county agents, were callers in our township on Wednesday.

Olaf Rian and family and Signe Willman motored to Iron Mountain last Monday to consult the dentist.

Messrs. Charles Solberg, Jr., and Bill Willman left last Tuesday for Clintonville, where they expect to be employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Rian celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary by giving a dinner party last Wednesday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. Starrine, of Escanaba, spent Sunday with their daughter Ruth, who is one of the Metropolitan school teachers.

Approximately forty-five people from this locality attended the class play given by the Iron Mountain high school last Friday evening.

Mrs. E.C. Thayer, of Jamestown, N.Y., and Mrs. Robert Ducet, of Escanaba, were guests of their sister, Mrs. Mike Negblom, for several days last week.

Lyman Peshek called for his sister Hazel, Hilda Anderson, Bessie Haltug and William Willman last Monday evening to attend the eighth grade graduation exercises at Foster City.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Rian, William and Edwin Willman, and Charles Solberg, Jr.[.] were in Escanaba on Monday to see Iver Willman, who had enlisted in the navy. Iver has written to his friends advising that he is very much pleased with navy life, and that conditions could not be any better than he found them.

John L. Carlson has enlisted in the navy and left Friday morning for Milwaukee. A farewell party was given in his honor by the Aid society and Temperence [*sic* – *Temperance*] lodge. A very interesting program was held at the Aid Society Hall while refreshments were being served at the Temperence [*sic* – *Temperance*] Hall. We wish to congratulate John for volunteering his services to our country.

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Violated Food Rules.

At Escanaba, last Wednesday, Andrew Rian, the well-known Felch merchant and farmer, was arraigned before George W. McCormick, of Menominee, upper peninsula food administrator. Rian was charged with eighteen separate violations of the food conservation rules. Rian admitted that he was guilty as charged and also that he had not purchased Liberty bonds or contributed to any patriotic funds. He was given a severe lecture by

Mr. McCormick and sentences to subscribe \$250 to the Dickinson County Red Cross and to purchase \$1,000 worth of bonds. In case he does not do so he will be denied the right to sell the foods controlled by the administration.

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FELCH NEWS NOTES

Ed. Fenlon, of Ford River, was a visitor here on Saturday.

Carl A. Carlson made a business call at Iron Mountain last Monday.

Miss Hilda Anderson visited relatives at Iron Mountain last Sunday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dixon, Jr., on Monday, the 17th, a son.

Axel Hedlund has gone to Norway, where he expects to be employed.

Ed. Asplund came home from Iron River to spend Sunday with his family.

Andrew Rian is having a refrigerating plant installed in connection with his store.

Carl Lund, who is now employed at Crystal Falls, spent last Sunday with his family.

Andrew Rian and his son Olaf made a business call to Escanaba on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Rian, and Mrs. Fred Dixon, Sr., called on friends at Norway last Sunday.

Mrs. Oscar Rian and daughter Lucille spent last Monday afternoon with friends at Foster City.

Our local schools closed on Friday and the different teachers have left for their respective homes.

County Clerk Cudlip and School Commissioner Donald O'Hara were visitors in our village on Friday.

James Lahay, of Marinette, representing Lauerman Bros. Co., called on trade here last Wednesday.

Matt Carlson, who has been confined to his home for several months, is at the present writing seriously ill.

IRON MOUNTAIN – PERSONAL COLUMN

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Ole M. Thorland, who left here a few weeks ago, is now located in Prescott, Arizona, where he holds the position of assistant to the superintendent of the **Big Pine Consolidated Mining company**. It is a gold proposition and **Andrew Bjorkman** is one of the officials of the company.

John T. Jones is now engaged in perfecting a plan for the separation of the manganese from the **Cuyuna range** ores and is probable that he will have the assistance of the government in his experiments. Mr. Jones recently spent several weeks in Washington in consultation with the federal authorities.

John Lloyd has accepted the position of **master mechanic** at the new mine the **Thomas Furnace company** is about to develop near Wakefield, **Gogebic range**. Mr. Lloyd was for many years employed in the shops at the **Pewabic mine** and later at the **Chapin**. He is an excellent machinist and has a thorough knowledge of mine machine work of all grades.

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PERSONAL NEWS NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hunting, of Racine, former residents of Iron Mountain, have **three sons in the national army**.

Clinton V. Ballard and Miss **Helen Simonson** attended the sessions of the **Upper Peninsula Dairymen's association** at Ewen.

General Manager Fox, of the **von Platen Lumber company**, has left for Washington to attend an important meeting of the lumbermen of the country.

Russell Anderson, who recently enlisted in the **electrical engineering corps of the national army** and left here for Columbus, Ohio, has been transferred to **Fort Meyers**, near Washington.

Miss **Minnie Raffin**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Peter Raffin**, of East C street, has been appointed manager of the office of the **Western Union Telegraph company** at Menominee, assuming the duties last Thursday.

Miss **Irene**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. William White**, now **assistant at the public library**, has accepted the position of stenographer in one of the departments at Washington and will leave for the national capital about the first of the month.

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NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS.

William Stephenson, of Marinette, **superintendent of the Boom company**, who is at the St. Joseph's Hospital, is slowly recovering from a fracture of the hip which he sustained about three weeks ago in a fall. He is encased in plaster of paris [*sic - Paris*] from the hips down and can move but very little. In spite of this inconvenience he is cheerful and his physician expects that he will be able to leave the hospital in about three weeks.

While no resignations have [*been*] received, it is understood that a **considerable number of the present corps of teachers will not return to Iron Mountain another year**. The board of education is confronted by the fact that, not only will there be a scarcity of teachers another year, but that salaries must be materially increased. And what is true in Iron Mountain is true throughout the country.

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PERSONAL

John T. Spencer spent last Tuesday on the Marquette range.

Herbert Bourdelais spent last Sunday with relatives in Menominee.

Mrs. Tom A. Hanna is confined to her bed with a severe attack of rheumatism.

E.D. Parmelee is expected home to-day [*sic - today*] from a business trip to Virginia, Minn.

Dr. M.F. Dockery was called to **Sagola** last Tuesday to attend **Patrick B. McCole**.

IRON MOUNTAIN – PERSONAL COLUMN

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Dwayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harvey, has left for Detroit, where he will enlist in the navy.

Miss Jessie Reese left last Monday for Pocatello, Idaho, where she will spend the summer with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Karkeet, of Milwaukee, spent last Saturday with relatives and friends in the city.

Miss Mary Jo Gaudio has been appointed assistant secretary and treasurer of the War Relief association.

Mrs. J.C. Eslick and daughter, Miss Oris, have returned home from a visit with her son Harry at Camp Custer.

Mrs. William [sic – William] A. McKinney, a guest for several weeks at the home of Mrs. V.P. Chappel, has returned to Manistique.

J.M. Atley, of Chicago, secretary and treasurer of the Sagola Lumber company, was in the city on business yesterday.

Guy M. Richards, manager of mines for the Thomas Furnace company, left this morning for the Gogebic and Mesaba ranges.

Born, March 21st, at Flint, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dessereau. Mrs. Dessereau was formerly Miss Ida Lundin.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Seccombe will leave today [sic – today] for Milwaukee, where they will spend their Easter vacation with relatives.

Miss Ruth Campbell returned to Florence last Tuesday after a brief visit in the city, the guest of Miss Margaret R. Hanna.

Mrs. Wilbur Hicks and son, who have been visiting relatives here for several weeks, left last evening for their home at Racine, Wis.

Charles Griggs left last Tuesday morning for Wakefield, where he will take a position at the new mine of the Thomas Furnace company.

David Castel, Sr., is in the city renewing old acquaintances. Mrs. Castel and the girls are in Denver, Colo., and the boys are in Detroit.

Mrs. L.E. Collins, of Menominee, and Mrs. Jack Juley, of Green Bay, were among those in attendance at the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Sweet.

Mrs. Ernest James and daughter, who came here from Detroit to attend the funeral of the late E.W. Hunt, left for their home last Saturday evening.

George Rollins and George Munns, representatives of the Iron county board, were in the city last Saturday investigating the Dickinson county poor administration.

Misses Anna Hallberg and Goldie Salchert left last evening for St. Paul, Minn., where they will spend their Easter vacation with Misses Julia Graefe and Avis Greene.

Miss Mary McCole, principal of the Central school, was summoned to Sagola last Monday by the information that her brother, Patrick B. McCole, was critically ill with pneumonia.

Herman Sjostrom is home from Chickamauga Park, on a furlough visit to relatives. He is now a corporal, having been recently promoted from the rank [sic]. Herman leaves Sunday evening on his return to Tennessee.

William Sims has received a letter from his son, Percy J. Sims, announcing his safe arrival in France, where he is now in a training camp. Henry Hicks, brother of Elmer Hicks, went to France on the same transport.

Patrick D. McCole, store manager for the Sagola Lumber company, is very low with a severe attack of pneumonia. He has many friends throughout the county who hope that the genial gentleman will withstand the disease.

Mrs. Fred E. Parmelee, who has been spending the winter at Alhambra, California, arrived home last Sunday morning. Mrs. N.B. Parmelee, who was very ill the forpart [sic – forepart] of the winter, is now able to be up and around again.

Miss Eva Cardinal writes The Press that she will return home from Los Angeles next Monday ready to resume her work. During her absence Miss Cardinal has closely followed the new spring and summer fashions in California.

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Wins a Promotion.

NIAGARA NEWS NOTES

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Allen Perkins has received orders to report to Great Lakes, Ill., for examination for induction into the U.S. navy.

Mrs. C.C. Stevens and family, of Iron Mountain, visited at the home of **Mr. and Mrs. William Collinson** over Sunday. Many old friends were pleased to meet them.

William S. Hart in "The Narrow Trail," and **Fatty Arbuckle** in "O, Doctor," at the club-house next Sunday. **Baby Marie Osborn** in "When Baby Forgot," Saturday night.

Messrs. and Mesdames Zuelki and Barber have returned to Oshkosh after an extended residence in our village, where Messrs. Zuelki and Barber worked on the new school-house.

The village board will meet in regular session next week Monday evening. Considerable business is to be transacted, among which will be the acting upon the granting of an electric lighting franchise.

The **Niagara Ladies' Sewing club** entertained their leige [*sic – liege*] lords last Wednesday evening with a sumptuous feed at the home of **Mrs. L.F. Knickerbaker**, followed by a "movie party" at the club-house.

The **Kimberly-Clark company** has brought a large number of **Wealthy apple trees** to this village and is selling them to its employes [*sic – employees*] at the bare cost of the trees – fifteen cents each. The company is also giving a large acreage of land rent free to its employes [*sic – employees*] for garden purposes.

At the meeting of the county board at Marinette last Wednesday our supervisors were appointed on the following committees: **Supervisor Wilson** – Chairman of committee on sheriff and justices and place on equalization. **Supervisor Burden** – Chairman committee on illegal tax and place on accounts and building and grounds.

The **Rev. Father Trojanowski**, a former pastor of the Sacred Heart (Polish) congregation at Marinette, has been appointed to **St. Anthony's church at Niagara** and entered upon his duties. Since leaving Marinette he has been in charge of the Polish congregation in Two Rivers, Manitowoc county. He will be succeeded in the lake shore city by the **Rev. Father Pruc**, of Stevens Point. The transfers were made by **Rt. Rev. Bishop Rhode** of

Green Bay. **Rev. Boniface**, who has been supplying St. Anthony's parish, has returned to Green Bay.

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NIAGARA NEWS NOTES

Usual services at the **Union and St. Anthony churches** next Sunday.

Dr. A.W. Karch, of Norway, and **William E. Schroeder**, of Milwaukee, were visitors in town last Monday.

F.L. Knickerbocker and family are now enjoying a new **Studebaker** [*sic – Studebaker*] car, purchased from **Frank Cleveland**, of Iron Mountain.

The matter of **war gardens** will receive attention by our people and every available piece of ground will be planted by our patriotic citizens.

The **second rose sale for the benefit of the Red Cross** last Saturday was a great success, every rose being disposed of at good prices. About \$40.00 was realized from the two sales.

The pipe for the **new sewer and water systems** is being received and the trench digger is on the grounds. Active operations have commenced by the contractors and will be pushed to early completion.

Miss Eva Kasaha, of Niagara, was married to **Anton Weber, Jr.**, at the **St. Bruno church in Nadeau** recently. The **Rev. Father Sperline** performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Weber will make their home in Niagara.

There is some talk of a **local ball team** to represent our village this summer. **Many members of the old team have gone into the war, and it will be necessary to break in nearly all new men.** But **Niagara** has the timber and will make up a good team.

To-morrow [*sic – Tomorrow*] (Friday) evening there will be a **dancing party at Niagara Grange Hall**, given by the **V.F.L.B. club**. Music by the **Freeman orchestra** and luncheon by **Mrs. Price**. Tickets, 75c per couple, **plus war tax**; extra ladies free. A hearty welcome to all.

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At the **club-house**, next Saturday, **Bessie Love** will star in "How Could You Caroline?" On Sunday **Mary Pickford** will interpret "The Pride of the Clan," a Scottish production. The first chapter of the **Lincoln Cycle pictures**, "My Mother," will also be given in two reels.

Both parties in an application for a **marriage license in Wisconsin** must appear in person before the county clerk or make sworn statements before a notary, according to an opinion of the attorney general last Thursday to **John W. Soderburg**, district attorney of Barron county.

The latest figures from the **third Liberty loan bond sale** are as follows: **Niagara village** – Quota, \$17,800; subscribed, \$36,900; number of subscriptions, 298, as against 156 for the second loan. **Niagara township** – Quota, \$7,750; subscribed, \$8,200. Much of the credit for the fine showing of the township is due to **A.E. Burden**, supervisor.

The **Morisini saloon in Niagara township, near the river going to Norway, is a busy place these days, owing to Michigan being "bone dry."** But we are informed that the proprietor is literally living up to the law regarding the closing of same at eleven o'clock p.m., and on Sundays, not selling to habitual drunkards nor allowing minors or women in the place at all.

S.B. Libeiski, recruiting officer from Branch 1 of the Polish army in France, is here making his third drive for recruits. In two previous visits eleven enlistments were secured and Mr. Libeiske [*sic* – *Libieski*] expects to secure as many more, to leave here next Sunday evening, for Milwaukee. A public meeting will be held at the **club-house** next Sunday afternoon, at which time an officer of the Polish army will be present and address his fellow citizens on the need of enlistments. Mr. Libieski **recently enlisted ten Polish recruits out of Iron Mountain,** and has twenty at least in Ontonagon, where he goes next Monday.

A circular letter has been sent to all **game wardens** by the state conservation committee, explaining the **application of the new fish laws,** which are proving conflicting in some respects. On May 1st the fishing season opened for residents only, but the limit of 10 pounds of fish, or two fish of any

weight, must be strictly adhered to. The law also provides that "no fish classes as game fish may be shipped, sold or bartered." On May 29th, the regular law goes into effect. Although the season for black bass does not open until June 15th, Oswego bass, green bass and yellow bass may be caught as early as May 29th. As there is some misunderstanding concerning this law, the attorney general has asked courts to give the public the benefit of the doubt where it exists.

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NIAGARA NEWS NOTES

Chester Brisbin motored to **Manistique** last Sunday.

Born, last Monday, to **Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cayo**, a daughter.

Miss **Eva Brabus**, of **Wausaukee**, is a guest of **Mrs. Allen Perkins**.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chapman were **Norway** visitors last Wednesday.

Albert Cayo and **Joe Reulle** left last Tuesday for **Kenosha**, where they will reside.

Miss **Esther Stoneberg**, a teacher of **Menominee**, was in town last Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ellis, of **Iron Mountain**, visited **Mr. and Mrs. Allen Perkins** last Sunday.

Dr. Belhumeur is absent on a western trip. **Dr. T.M. Moll**, of **Norway**, has charge of his practice.

Next Sunday, at the **club-house**, **Marguerite Clark** will star in "Bab's Diary." This is her best work.

Andrew Abidon has returned from **Stockton, California**, where he spent the winter with friends.

Art Amond will leave with the next contingent of honor men for **Camp Wheeler**, **Macon, Georgia**.

The interior of the new high school is being rushed to completion, as is also that of the First National Bank.

Miss **Delia Brouilliere**, of **Aurora**, spent last Sunday here at the home of **Mr. and Mrs. William Gendron**.

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

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Norway Chapter, No. 251, Order of Eastern Star, elected the following officers for the ensuing term at its annual meeting:

Worthy Matron – Miss **Bertha J. Knight**.

Worthy Patron – **Samuel Perkins**.

Associate Matron – **Mrs. Daisy Anderson**.

Secretary – **Mrs. Edith Martin**.

Treasurer – **Mrs. Mary Bunt**.

Conductress – **Mrs. Nora Tornberg**.

Associate Conductress – **Mrs. Jennie Anderson**.

Last Thursday night, **Lieut. Jack O'Rourke [sic – Rourke]**, of the British flying squadron, spoke at the auditorium to a capacity house. His address was timely and his appeal for all to buy **third Liberty loan bonds** was energetic. Previous to the lecture the high school orchestra and boys' chorus gave "Over There" with a lot of "pep." **John C. O'Donnell**, a bright lad from the Central school, recited "The Third Liberty Loan" in a manner that showed great preparedness. A girls' chorus rendered "Keep the Home Fires Burning" in a true war spirit.

Mayor Anderson transacted business at the county seat last Monday.

Mrs. J.F. Burns, of Escanaba, visited at the **Gatherer** home last Sunday.

Attorney A.F. Brackett visited **Hermansville** last Monday on business.

John Wickstrom is about his business again after a tussle with rheumatism.

Sten Soderlund and family visited **Mr. and Mrs. V.E. Lundin** at **Iron Mountain** last Sunday.

Simon Risberg and son, **Edward**, motored to **Iron River** last Sunday to visit relatives for the day.

Rev. T.A. Greenwood attended the meeting of the **Dickinson County Ministers' association** at **Iron Mountain** last Monday.

Supervisor Anton Odill, who has been on the sick list for some time, is able to be about his business again. His many friends are pleased.

The installation of the newly elected officers of **Norway Chapter, Order [of] Eastern Star**, will take place the second Tuesday evening in May.

The **Ladies' Aid society of the English Methodist church** had a very helpful session last

Tuesday afternoon at the home of **Mrs. William Oliver**.

A.F. Brackett and family, accompanied by **Richard Simon** and **Joseph Gauthier**, motored to the **Skelly ranch near Ralph**, last Sunday. Their's [sic – *Theirs*] was the first car through this spring.

Miss Jennie Anderson was chauffeur for **Mesdames Anton Anderson, Walter Dudy** and **John DeRoeck** and **Miss Margery Presly** last Sunday in an enjoyable motor trip to points around this city.

Mrs. A.F. and **Capt. Henry Sethney** and families spent last Sunday at **Crystal Falls**. **Capt. Henry Sethney** left last Monday evening on his return trip to **Camp Sheridan** at **Montgomery, Alabama**.

The contest for the auto and other prizes has closed at **Weber's pharmacy**. The following were the lucky persons: **John Lofgren**, first, receiving the auto or its worth in cash; **Elizabeth Van Gas [sic – Van Gasse]**, second; **Miss Flossie Gatherer**, third; **Miss Rose Nowack**, fourth; **Mrs. Richard Gray**, fifth.

The **Superior Conference of the Augustana Synod of the Swedish Lutheran church** will be held at **Norway** next week Wednesday to Sunday, inclusive, April 24th to 28th. About eighty pastors and delegates will be in attendance from outside points, among them being **Dr. Frank Nelson**, of **Minneapolis**, president of the **Minnesota College**. The following is the program for the five days:

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 24TH

Sermon – **Rev. E.B. Walters**, of **Metropolitan**.

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 25TH

Sermon – **Rev. C.R. Lund**, of **Escanaba**, president of the Conference.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH

9 a.m. – Sermon, **Rev. P.O. Dahlberg**, of **Daggett**.

7:30 p.m. – A concert will be given at the **City Auditorium** in the course of which **Rev. L.S. Wilson**, of **Ironwood**, will talk on "Our boys in service under the Flag of the United States of America," and **Rev. Frank E. Granquist**, of **Hancock**, will join a twenty-minute talk in Swedish on "The Service of Our Young men [sic – *Men*] under the Banner of Christ."

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

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9 a.m. – Sermon by **Rev. J.A. Burman**, of Bessemer.

4 p.m. – Sermon by **Rev. F.E.W. Kastman**, of Ironwood.

7:30 p.m. – Sermon on “Home Missions” by **Rev. Joseph Hultberg**, of Ishpeming, and a sermon on “Foreign Missions” by **Rev. Verner D. Swanson**, of Iron Mountain.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH

9 a.m. – Sunday school, at which service three speeches will be delivered, **Rev. Carl Lundgren**, of Marquette, **Rev. Carl E. Silversteen**, of Rhineland, Wis., and **Rev. Herman Lind**, of Gladstone.

10 a.m. – Communion; sermons by **Rev. G.H. Blomgren**, of Calumet, and **Rev. Augustus Nelson**, of Manistique.

2:30 p.m. – Great loyalty meeting at the city auditorium, addressed by **Dr. Frank Nelson**, of Minneapolis, president of Minnesota College.

7:30 p.m. – Address by **Dr. Frank Nelson** and a closing sermon by **Rev. A.E. Monell**, of Merrill, Wis.

Rev. G.S. Olsen, pastor, assisted by the members and societies of the local church, are making preparations for the handling not only of the programs, but the large number that are expected to attend.

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David Johnson is home from **Camp Custer** on a furlough.

Mrs. A. Vanderheyden is home from a visit with relatives at Duluth.

Miss **Olive Virgilio**, of **Loretto**, visited Miss **Marie Brackett** last Sunday.

William Bal arrived home last Saturday from Racine, Wis., on a visit.

Miss **Susie Keast** left last Sunday night for Oshkosh, Wis., to visit a sick friend.

Miss **Flossie Gatherer** visited at the **Burgess** home at Iron Mountain last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Chartier are entertaining their son **Clifford**, from Detroit.

A.F. Brackett and family motored to **Gladstone** last Sunday to visit Miss **Lucy Nowack**.

Mrs. Edward DeBrayn, who was operated upon at **Penn Hospital**, is doing nicely.

Mrs. Walter Dudy has returned from Milwaukee, where she went to visit a sick niece.

Mrs. H. Solomonson is in Detroit in attendance on her daughter, who is seriously ill.

Willard, son of **Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Bolitho**, writes his parents of his **safe arrival in France**.

Mrs. E.W. Melin and sister, Miss **Myrtle Johnson**, were **Iron Mountain** visitors last Wednesday.

The **Ladies' Aid society of the English Methodist church** met with **Mrs. Fred Roberts** yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Perkins visited at the **R.C. Browning** home at **Iron Mountain** last Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Judge Flanagan [*sic* – *Flannigan*] went to **Menominee** last Sunday night to preside at a session of the circuit court there this week.

R.S. Powell and family were last Sunday visitors from **Iron Mountain** at the home of **Dr. and Mrs. B.W. Kelley**.

Charles J.A. Forrell, of **Iron Mountain**, has been made **yardmaster here for the Chicago & North-Western railway**.

George Massie, who accompanied his wife to Rochester, Minn., where she was successfully operated upon, has returned home.

Mrs. Alfonse Van Wolvelar was taken to the **state hospital at Newberry** last Saturday. **Mr. and Mrs. S. Gustafson** and **Mrs. Ed. Stromberg** accompanied her.

Robert O'Callaghan is home from his western trip, including a visit to his mother and sisters at Miami, Arizona, and a trip to Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hellberg and two children, **Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hellberg** and son, and **Mrs. G.A. Hellberg** motored to **Gladstone** last Sunday to visit Miss **Lucy Nowack**.

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Mrs. Patrick O'Connell, of Iron Mountain, spent last Friday and Saturday with Mrs. John Cox.

Miss McKenna entertained a number of friends at an evening party last Friday in honor of Sergt. Joseph Punt, who left Saturday for Camp Grant.

Mrs. A.T. Alquist and Audrey Alquist visited relatives at Iron Mountain last Saturday and Sunday.

Peter Peterson spent last Sunday at Iron River with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Koenig left last Saturday night for the south to visit relatives for two weeks.

Gust Larson, county road foreman, had a mishap in severely burning both arms while taring [*sic - tarring*] the road last Friday.

Miss Ruth Larson, who has been teaching at Durant, is home for the summer vacation.

Leslie Johnson returned home last Monday from Chicago.

Edward Rice is here from Wakefield visiting his family.

Mrs. Joseph McKenna, [*sic*] was a guest of Mrs. M.O. Rowe last week.

Milton Massie and Clyde Trevarthen attended the dance at Niagara last Friday evening.

Mrs. Langson, from Waucedah, was here visited [*sic - visiting*] here daughter, Mrs. John Lofgren, for the past two weeks.

Gene Gereau was a visitor at Niagara last Friday.

Operator Perket spent last Sunday at Powers with his family.

The marriage of Miss Lillian Beckstrom [*sic - Bergstrom*], of Norway, to Fred Bellville [*sic - Belleville*], of Quinnesec, took place at Iron Mountain on Saturday, June 22nd. The happy couple has the best wishes of a large circle of friends.

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Forest Hicks is working at the Brace farm.

Peter Johnson spent the Fourth at Chicago.

Walter Alquist visited at Iron River last week.

Dock [*sic - Doc*] Alquist spent the Fourth at Iron River.

Fred Lamson, of Norway, spent the Fourth here.

Miss Margaret McKenna was a recent visitor at Iron River.

Hans Anderson, of Marquette, was a visitor here last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Holmes visited at the county seat last week.

Pete Peterson celebrated the Fourth with friends at Stambaugh.

Axel Alquist and bride have returned from their honeymoon trip.

Mrs. Joseph LeMieux has returned from a visit at Menominee.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wickstrom were down from Stager last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Erdman autoed to Abrams, Wis., on the Fourth.

Leslie Johnson went last Saturday to Great Lakes to enlist in the navy.

Mrs. Mitchell, of Stambaugh, visited her sister, Mrs. Rice, last Saturday.

Mrs. F. Marloff and Miss Vivian Massie visited at Iron River last Monday.

Willie Larson spent the past week at Stager, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wickstrom.

Mrs. A.C. Brace has arrived from Escanaba to spend the summer with her husband.

Freen Marloff and family left last Thursday evening for Casper, Wyoming, to reside.

Miss Helen Allen and Leslie Rhodes are at Washburn, Wis., visiting relatives and friends.

John Lofgren was in Green Bay last Tuesday and returned yesterday with a new Overland car.

Mrs. Turnquist and son Oscar, of Waucedah, visited Mr. and Mrs. Nels Larsen last Suneay [*sic - Sunday*].

Will Holmes, who is located at Sidnaw, spent the Fourth here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. M.D. Rowe have been the guests of Iron River and Ironwood friends the past week.

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Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Thom, of Munising, made Mrs. St. Denis and daughter a brief visit last Saturday.

Mrs. John McKenna, of Iron Mountain, was a guest at the James McKenna home last Friday and Saturday.

Rev. W.P. Clark, of Iron Mountain, conducted Swedish Mission services at the M.E. church last Sunday evening.

Chester Wildman and sister, Miss Doris, visited in town last Saturday. Chester is now an ensign on the S.S. Ohio.

Clarence Johnson, who was injured at the Wilber Wright field at Dayton, Ohio, will become an aero instructor as soon as he has recovered.

Misses Jennie and Ruth Larson and Signe Engstrand and Messrs. Harry Larson [*sic* – *Larsen*], Will Dixon and Emil Johnson went to Stager last Thursday to spend the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wickstorm.

Last Thursday evening, Misses Irene McKenna, Pearl Hill and Edna Larsen, Mrs. John Grenfell, Walter Alquist and Albert Larsen [*sic* – *Larson*] enjoyed the Gifford-Young performance at the Colonial, Iron Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. August Valencourt, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hudon, the Misses Adris [*sic* – *Ardis*] McKenna, Josephine Christnagel and Pearl Hill and Edward Paquin attended the Gifford-Young performance at the Colonial last Saturday evening.

Miss Virginia St. Denis left last Thursdays [*sic* – *Thursday*] for Cody, Wyoming, to look after her ranch. Miss St. Denis' foreman has been drafted into the new national army.

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QUINNESEC NEWS NOTES

Supt. J.D. Martin, of Iron Mountain, was in town last Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Kenny returned last Tuesday from a visit at Stambaugh.

Miss Signe Engstrand has been a visitor at Iron Mountain the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wickstrom, of Stager, visited their parents here last Friday.

Mrs. John McKenna, of Iron Mountain, visited the past week at the James McKenna home.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M.E. church met at the home of Mrs. Nels Larson yesterday.

Miss Isabel Swanson, of Indiana mine, spent last Thursday here with Mrs. Charles Swanson.

Rev. James Corcoran will celebrate mass at the usual hour at St. Mary's church next Sunday.

Miss Adris [*sic* – *Ardis*] McKenna suffered a badly sprained ankle by being thrown from her bike last Sunday.

John Hellund is visiting Mrs. A. Engstrand. He came through from Wyoming in his Overland car.

Mrs. Melvin Hill, of Stambaugh, visited here last week. Mrs. P.F. Johnson and daughter, Miss Pearl, returned home with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Wallin and daughter, Miss Myrtle, of Iron Mountain, were guests at the Gus Larsen home last Thursday.

Last Saturday night, the rig in which were Mr. and Mrs. John Grenfell and son Edward, was struck by a Niagara car and badly damaged.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Green and son Arthur have returned from Ralph, where they visited the home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Terwilliger.

Mrs. Gardner and two daughters, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lemieux for two weeks, returned to their Menominee home last Sunday.

John Lofgren has returned from Green Bay with more Overland cars for customers who are impatiently waiting for the same. John has sold upwards of twenty new Overlands this season. He has a car-load on the way.

Mrs. William Gribben, Mrs. J.H. Johnson and daughter, Miss Eleanor, Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Holmes, Miss Irene McKenna, Howard Johnson and Mrs. A.J. Kallstrom were Iron Mountain shoppers the past week.

W.E. Brown, electrician, was here from Iron Mountain last Monday engaged in wiring business houses and residences. Those already

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RALPH NEWS REVIEW.

Mr. Harney is surely an enthusiastic believer in the future of this county.

Louis Jacobs has returned home from Dakota, where he went to visit his father.

Mrs. Leforais, from Republic, who visited her sister over a week, has returned home after a very pleasant visit.

The social and dance held at the town hall at Ralph was a great success financially. From the new who attended \$19.00 was raised for the Junior Red Cross.

Supervisor Skelly took Township Clerk Allan Wells and family and Miss Anderson for a motor trip to Iron Mountain, Spread Eagle and other towns last Sunday. All enjoyed the day very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Burch, from New Mexico, were prospecting in West Branch for a few days and were delighted with the country. They intend to make their home here in the near future.

Seventeen carloads of cattle, owned by Mr. MacBeath, were unloaded at Quinn Bros.' ranch, two miles from Ralph. It is a novelty to see real cowboys herding the cattle. We wish them success in their undertaking.

Game Wardens Leisner, Andrews and Rough passed through Ralph. Reports say that they arrested one man and killed five dogs. That must be the reason little Jane Campbell ties up her dog at nights [*sic* – *night*] now.

Hugh Campbell motored to Iron Mountain last Sunday to see his son Archie. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Campbell and son, Mrs. George Shepherd, Miss Moody and Jane Campbell went with him. They came home in less than two hours.

Word was received by Mrs. H.A. Campbell that Harold Foster, her nephew, had enlisted and was in training at Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga. Harold spent all his school day vacations at Ralph and we

feel an ownership in him. So we say, good for old Ralph. One more boy to the colors.

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Big Sheep Ranch.

J.L. Gray, of Buhl, Idaho, has announced that he will ship 19,000 ewes and lambs to Dickinson county within the next five weeks. Mr. Gray has secured a large acreage in West Branch [*township*], in Dickinson county, and will make his headquarters in Ralph.

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RALPH NEWS REVIEW.

Joseph Skelly has arrived in town and went to Skelly Bros.' ranch.

Mrs. Clayton Brown has arrived home and made one lonely man blissfully happy.

Fishing conditions are unfavorable so far; first it was too cold[;] now the water is too high.

John Findin is busy these days catching the speckled beauties at which he is a pastmaster [*sic* – *past master*].

County Agent Ballard visited the Reeves Bros.' ranch and other farmers in this vicinity last week.

Our highway commissioner, Thomas Quaid, was here the other day and reported the roads in bad condition.

Mrs. Ed. Johnson and brother Phillip have arrived to spend a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jacobs.

Charles Skelly, Allan Wells and C. Brown gave a dance last Friday night in the town hall for the benefit of the War Relief association. They had a large crowd and all had an enjoyable time.

Donald O'Hara visited our school last week and spoke to the children, praising them for being 100 per cent in buying thrift stamps. It

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made the children more enthusiastic than ever to save their pennies.

Messrs. Skelly, Oldfied and Curto, also **Mrs. Brill**, motored to **Norway** and **Iron Mountain** recently. **Mr. and Mrs. A.F. Brackett** accompanied them back and spent a day at **Skelly Bros.' ranch**.

The **Ralph** people were pleased to hear from another soldier boy whom they claim – **Rudie Lambert**, who is in **New York** ready to go "over there." **Rudie** and his brother **Walter** were among the first volunteers in **Delta county**.

Messers. Andrew and Leisner passed through **Ralph** the other day. A trial was held at **Skelly Bros.' ranch**. **Judge Curto** presided in the case and rendered judgment against **Rev. Marvin**, amounting to \$25.00 and costs; also giving him a severe lecture to observe the game laws in future.

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RALPH NEWS REVIEW.

Lawyer Brackett and family, of **Norway**, spent last Sunday at the **Skelly ranch**, returning home in the evening.

The **Ralph school** is to have its annual picnic and program on Friday, June 21st. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Bowers has arrived from **Iowa** to spend a few days at the ranch of his brother, **L.T. Bowers**. He has bought two sections of land here.

Supervisor Skelly and the **Misses Jacobs and Anderson** motored to **Iron Mountain** and other places last Friday and had a very enjoyable trip.

Miss **Mary Campbell**, who has been attending the **Escanaba high school**, is home for her summer vacation. She was successful in all her examinations.

There seems to be a leak from **Wisconsin** to **Michigan** these last few days. We hope it is only imaginary, for heretofore this has been such a safe and sane place.

Thomas Beaton, who is in **Uncle Sam's** service at the **Great Lakes Training Station**, came home

last Sunday for a day's visit. His father came in from **Camp 1** to visit him.

All of the **Ralph** people were very much pleased to learn that **Clarence Anderson** successfully passed the eighth grade examination. He is the last member of the **Anderson** family to graduate from the **Ralph school** and all proved creditable pupils.

Mrs. Hammersmith has received a letter from **Gus. Kinderman**, an old pioneer of **Ralph**, who is fighting the **Huns [Germans]** in **France**. He seems to think longingly of the woods at **Ralph**.

W.B. MacBeath, **Ralph's** prominent cattleman, has informed your reporter that he will give, free of charge, in **October** month, one of the largest and best steers for a barbecue for the benefit of the **Red Cross**. The good people of **Ralph** will furnish all the other necessaries for a grand dinner. A nominal charge will be made. A good speaker will be secured to address the people and we hope to have a great occasion. Hurrah for **Mr. MacBeath**.

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More Cattle Arriving.

W.A. MacBeath is due to arrive to-day [*sic – today*] at **Ralph** from **Arizona** with twenty carloads of cattle. The shipment is estimated at 1,200 head. **Mr. MacBeath** already has 650 [*head*] of cattle grazing in the **Ralph district** and the additional shipment is evidence that he is thoroughly satisfied with conditions. The **Press** hears that the gentleman has added very largely to his land holdings in **West Branch township** and that he now has under control many thousands of acres of land. He is employing a crew of typical western cow boys [*sic – cowboys*] to do his herding.

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Ralph Patriotic.

VULCAN NEWS

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come and do the work or learn how to make the new articles and take them home to finish. Come out and fulfill your registration pledge. **Mrs. Frank Elms**, chairman Military Relief committee.

The **Misses Spear, Keast, O'Conner, Simon, Carlson, Lavigne, Conners, Gullinger, Baldwin, Rieger, Sturman, Hills and DeHas**, teachers in the **Vulcan schools**, attended the county institute at **Iron Mountain** last Thursday and Friday.

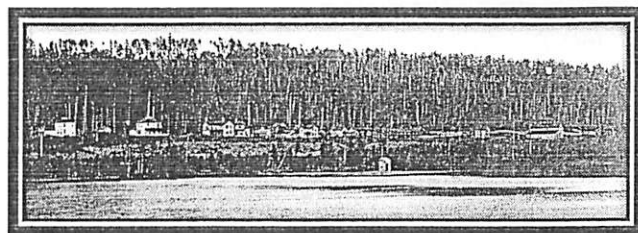
Walter Graf, Timothy Barry, Roldo Alexander, Wesley Eva, Domenic Bettiga and Andrew Martini left last Sunday night for Kalamazoo normal, where they will take **military training**.

Mrs. D.B. Waldo and daughters have returned to their home in Kalamazoo, after an extended visit with their parents, **Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Trudgeon**.

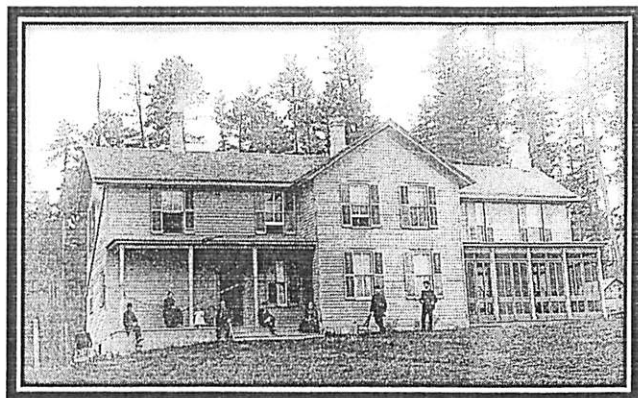
VULCAN: Originally called Breitung or Breitung Mine for the mine around which it developed, officials of the Menominee Mining Company selected Vulcan as the name of the mine and the settlement in late July, 1877; post office established October 31, 1877, with Milton C. Belknap, postmaster; named for the Roman god of metal-working who produced thunderbolts for Jupiter on his forge beneath Mount Etna; platted July 25, 1925, by Raymond and Esther J. Turner on the N ½ of NW ¼ of Section 14, and the NE ¼ of NE ¼ of Section 15, T39N of R29W.

Silk Stocking Row: The homes built along the north shore of Lake Hanbury were referred to as "Silk Stocking Row" due to the status of the occupants who lived there. When additional homes were built on the other side the "alley" providing access to Silk Stocking Row, the resulting street was named Central Boulevard. In 1878, the Menominee Mining Company built a house for Dr. Nelson Powell Hulst, a recent graduate of Yale College and the Sheffield Scientific School who had been sent by the company in June of 1872 to explore for iron ore on what became the Menominee Iron Range, with Thomas Breen serving as his guide. Hulst moved into the house with his wife, Florence, for whom Florence, Wisconsin, was named, at the beginning of December, 1878. The house, located on the north

shore of Lake Hanbury, was the third house from the entrance to the supervisor's home off what is now Central Boulevard. It was a large, gray-painted structure with a screened porch on the east and the south. The following summer (1879) the Menominee Mining Company erected another large residence for James J. Hagerman, president of the Menominee Mining Company. Franklin Copeland, the bookkeeper, and his family lived in east wing of the house and the Hagermans used the west wing when in Vulcan. This house was to the left of the Hulst residence when facing Lake Hanbury. This house later was the residence of F.H. Armstrong, who became a mining engineer prior to 1905, and his wife Clara (Pascoe) Armstrong, and their family. His daughter, Charlotte Armstrong, born May 5, 1905, in Vulcan, became a famous author, writing 28 novels, including *The Trouble in Thor*, set in Vulcan. Seven of her books were made into movies and she also wrote numerous short stories and television scripts. In 2008, the Hulst home was the residence of Joseph and Jocelyne Sade. The Hagerman house was the residence of Erica Judy in 2008.

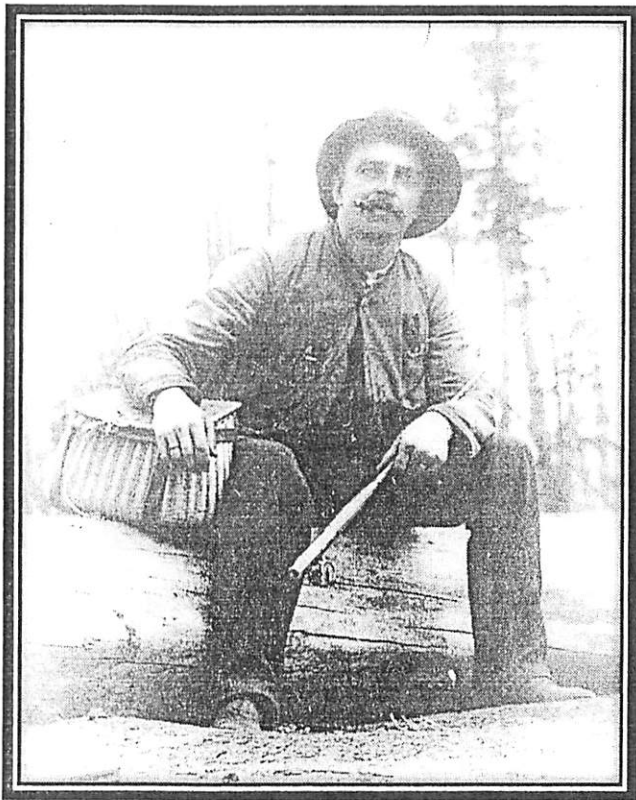


Silk Stocking Row, ca. 1880-1885



Hagerman-Copeland Residence, ca. 1880-1885

DICKEY'S TRADING POST – NEAR QUINNESEC



George Frederick Seibert, pioneer Iron Mountain druggist, recorded his stop at Dickey's Trading Post in his journal during a trip up the Menominee River in 1879.

James S. and William Dickey, among Dickinson County's earliest pioneers, established their trading post on the SE ¼ of Section 34, Town 40 North of Range 30 West (northeast of Quinnesec) in about 1871, trading with the Indians and providing basic supplies to early explorers. Almost all contemporary accounts mention stopping at Dickey's on the old State Road until about 1880, when the Dickey brothers pursued other occupations.

William Dickey settled in Norway in 1880, where he established a livery stable and blacksmith shop. By April, 1885, William Dickey had a livery stable in Marinette, Wisconsin, and James S. Dickey was farming in the Iron River area. The Dickey brothers later moved out West.

Sunday Morning, May 6, 1879: Arrived at Dickey's at 6:30 [p.m.] and was not favorably

impressed by the outside appearance, but found myself mistaken in my estimate of the place. We got a splendid supper and found a very pleasant woman in Mrs. Dickey...Had a smoke and was standing in the store...when two Redmen came in and commenced talking with the Dickeys. The only thing I understood was "kee win" (no friend). The Dickeys being traders and buyers of furs spoke the Indian dialect fluently, and kept up a conversation for over half an hour with them. The Indians took some crackers and drank some – gin, I think it was, and then made as they would go, but they hung around for a long time even after we went to bed. The Dickeys, I think, are very nice people, but I don't think they would scruple at anything to make money. The selling of liquor to Indians is punished severely, but they did it. They have furs of all kinds in their store, fisher, otter, beaver, lynx, mink, fox, etc. They keep overalls, cigars, tobacco, pipes, whisky, prints, and groceries. Store is small, but large enough to do all their trading with the Reds.

***The Iron Port, Escanaba, Mich.
August 9, 1879***

VULCAN – A number of Indians – men, women and children – came into town Wednesday last from Bad Water [sic] for the purpose of selling berries, furs, etc., having with them a lot of regular Indian ponies. They make a novel picture as they go along one after the other, looking more like Indians we read about than those usually seen in civilization, and are always looked upon in wonderment by strangers, though it has long since lost its novelty to the residents here. – *The Menominee Ranger*

***The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Mich.
Saturday, November 14, 1885***

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Twenty-five Indians in town this week and not a scalp missing.

SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Thursday, May 23, 2013

The DCGS met in the multipurpose room of the Dickinson County Library on May 23, 2013, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 19 members and 1 guest present.

The minutes for the April 25, 2013, meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported a balance of \$3,637.48 on April 25, 2013. After a deposit of \$12.00 the balance on hand on May 23, 2013, was \$3,649.48. Dues are still being collected for 2013.

Bill brought the DCGS and guests up to date on the website usage, the counter indicating there had been 456 people who had visited the site. Use www.dickinsoncountygeneologicalsociety.org to find it on line, or go to the Dickinson County Library's website, as there is a link under the Local History and Genealogy tab.

The May, 2013 and August, 2013 issues of *Dickinson Diggings* were distributed to those members who were present.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Larry Zipp, long-time DCGS member, presented a program on "Records of Ste. Anne de Michilimackinac," strategically located at the crossroads of Great Lakes history. Ste. Anne's Catholic Church is now located on Mackinac Island in the Straits of Mackinac. The program included some general history about the area and the French voyageurs. Examples were given of church records which included baptismal, marriage and death records. Many marriages were between Frenchmen and Native American women, often solemnized following a number of years of living together.

Bill Cummings, Acting Secretary

Thursday, September 26, 2013

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on September 26, 2013, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 15 members and one guest present.

There was no approval of the minutes for the May 23, 2013 meeting, as Shirley Nelson, secretary, was absent due to illness. Bill Cummings took the above minutes from his notes. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported a balance of \$3,649.48 on May 23, 2013. After deposits and disbursements, there was a balance on hand of \$3,068.02 on September 26, 2013.

Under old business, Bill reminded us to collect Econo Foods and Super One grocery slips. There is a nice profit from then for the club.

Under new business, Bill announced the website counter, as of 11:15 a.m. on September 26, was

843. The Menominee Range Historical Foundation website had 1,980 hits at the same time.

There has been considerable updating on the DCGS website. Volumes 1-5 of the back issues of *Dickinson Diggings* have been posted. Volumes 6-15 will be available in the near future. There is an index to the quarterlies on the website. Historic photographs have been added on the Dickinson County Library website.

Bill asked for suggestions for programs for the remainder of 2013 and for 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Bill presented the first part of a Power Point program entitled "Wheels: The Horse and Buggy Era." Historic photographs, postcard views, newspaper articles and advertisements showed horses pulling carriages, wagons, carts, buggies, buckboards, surreys and hearses. There was information on area blacksmith shops, boarding stables, sales stables, feed stores, harness shops and more, covering the era from the 1880's to the early twentieth century.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

Thursday, October 24, 2013

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on October 24, 2013, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 17 members and 8 guests present.

The minutes for the September 26, 2013 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported a balance of \$3,068.02 on September 26, 2013. After deposits and disbursements the balance on hand on October 24, 2013 was \$3,090.02.

Our website counter continues to show outside interest with 69 hits since the September meeting for a total of 912.

The membership voted to authorize Bill to bid on e-Bay for an 1880 surveyor's book by Frank Brotherton which includes his hand-drawn section maps, many of the Dickinson County and surrounding area.

Samples of an index for area history information which will be included on the Dickinson County Library's website were circulated. Hopefully the information will be available sometime early in 2014.

At the November 21 meeting there will be an election for the offices of president and treasurer. The program will be a video of World War II veterans done by the Jake Menghini Museum in Norway.

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Bill Cummings presented the second part of "Wheels: The Horse and Buggy Era."

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

DICKINSON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 2013

William J. Cummings, President
Kay Palmcook, Vice-President

Shirley Nelson, Secretary/Historian
Pamela Foster, Treasurer
William J. Cummings, Quarterly Editor

MEETINGS: *Regular meetings of the DCGS are held the fourth Thursday of January, February, March, April, 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 May, June, July, August and December. Visitors are always welcome.*

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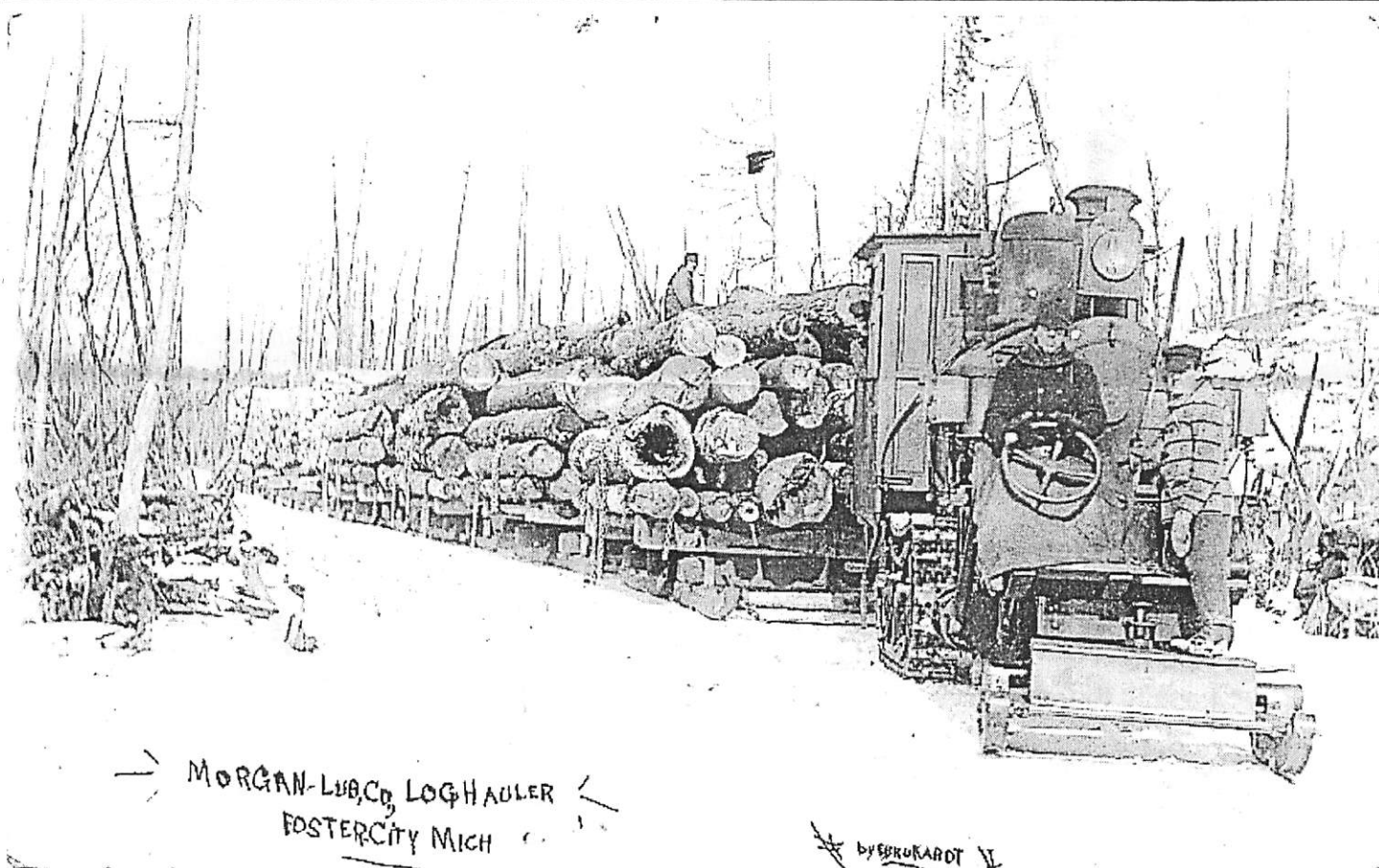


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Morgan Lumber & Cedar Company Steam Hauler near Foster City, ca. 1910-1920: In December, 1908, Foster City's Morgan Lumber & Cedar Company began operating a steam hauling locomotive which could haul from eight to ten loads of hardwood logs each of which would require four teams of horses to pull. This postcard view, dating between 1910 and 1920, shows the Morgan Lumber & Cedar Company's steam hauler. Note the engineer at the wheel and another man standing on the front sled of the hauler. A third man sits atop logs on the first sled. The message on the back reads in part: My, what a big engine it is. They have ice roads and haul 18 or 20 loads a trip and three trips a day. You can see all the logs that is [*sic - are*] in one of those pictures. They have a lot on bank of river. [*William John Cummings*]

MENOMINEE RANGE HISTORY – EARLY DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE MENOMINEE IRON RANGE

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CONSTRUCTION OF THE MENOMINEE RANGE RAILROAD AND INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE BREEN, BREITUNG AND QUINNESEC MINES AS REPORTED IN *THE MINING JOURNAL*, MARQUETTE, MARQUETTE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 445 [Saturday, January 27, 1877], page 4, column 1

Work on the **Menominee Range Railroad** is being pushed rapidly forward. The road commences at a point on the Chicago & Northwestern railway, twenty-three miles from Escanaba, and forty-two from Menominee, at which buildings to be used as offices, stores, boarding houses and dwellings have been erected. Three hundred men are at present employed, which force will be increased as soon as arrangements can be made for their accommodation. It is intended to have the road built to the **Breen** mine on section 22, township 39 north of range 28 west, at the opening of navigation, when active work will commence at that mine.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 449 [Saturday, February 24, 1877], page 4, column 1

Work on the **Menominee** [*sic* – *Menominee*] **Range Railway** is being pushed with great vigor, there being a force of not less than 600 men employed[.] **Clark, Lipe & Co.** have a sub contract for that part of the line west of the **Breen mine**, and there is no reason to doubt but that the track will be completed to the **Quinesaik**

[*sic* – *Quinnesec*] early next fall – possibly in time for the shipment of some ore before the close of navigation. The building of this line is attracting a great deal of attention to the new iron field, and negotiations are now in progress looking to the extension of the railway from the **Quinesaik** across the river to the newly discovered deposits in Wisconsin.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 452 [Saturday, March 17, 1877], page 4, column 1

FROM the *Menominee Herald* we learn that a new company has been organized under the name of the **Menominee Mining company**, to which has been transferred the leases of the **Breen, Breitung and Quinesaik** [*sic* – *Quinnesec*] properties, originally and lately held by the **Milwaukee Iron company**. Mr. **Whitehead**, the superintendent for the new company, is on the ground and expected to have a force of miners at work on the **Breen** deposit this week.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 453 [Saturday, March 24, 1877], page 4, column 1

By a letter just received from a member of the engineering corps on the line of the **Menominee Range railway**, we learn that work is progressing favorably to the completion of the road to the **Quinesaik** [*sic* – *Quinnesec*] mine by the first of August next. The frost is a hindrance rendering it necessary to use blasting powder in loosening the ground in grading. Arrangements were being made to commence work in the **Breen and Quinesaik mines** during this week, to put them in shape to produce ore. There is a

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prospect of considerable work being done the coming summer along the line of this road in the way of prospecting for mineral [sic].

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 455 [Saturday, April 14, 1877], page 4, column 1

WORK at the **Breen mine**, Menominee county, is being pushed vigorously under the efficient management of **Supt. Brown** who is ably assisted by **Capt. Louis Whitehead**, formerly of this county. About twenty-five miners are operating on the property, and the company will be able to commence shipments as soon as the railway is completed and the necessary rolling stock arrives. At the **Breitung mine** there is a force of ten or fifteen men engaged in getting things in shape for the early shipment of ore.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 460 [Saturday, May 12, 1877], page 4, column 1

FROM a letter received by us we learn that the work at the **Breen mine**, on the Menominee range, is progressing favorably. The quantity and quality of the ore which is being developed surpasses the most hopeful expectations of the company, and mining operations will be prosecuted as rapidly as the means of transportation will warrant. It is the intention of the company to mine and ship 25,000 or 30,000 tons this season, if no untoward circumstances arise to interfere with their calculations.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 460 [Saturday, May 12, 1877], page 4, column 2

THE MENOMINEE RANGE RAILROAD. – We are informed, by parties interested in the matter, that there is a probability that this road will be continued this season to the Menominee river. This will be done if the parties owning mineral lands on the line of the proposed extension manifest enough interest in the matter to give the company suitable encouragement as to the development of the properties which are known to be rich in mineral [sic]. It would be a matter of considerable economy to the company to build the road now on the completion of the present contract, while the men and materials are on the spot, and while wages are low. We trust that the interested parties will arouse themselves on this subject.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 462 [Saturday, May 26, 1877], page 4, column 1

JOHN N. ARMSTRONG has received the appointment of mining captain of the **Breitung mine** on the Menominee range, and left for that locality last Saturday accompanied by his family. Capt. Armstrong has had a large experience among the mines and minerals of Lake Superior, and we predict for him a successful career in his new field of operations.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 463 [Saturday, June 2, 1877], page 4, column 1

SOME 300 men are now employed on the western end of the **Menominee range railway**, and the contractors expect to increase this force to 500 shortly. It is expected to have the grade completed to

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the **Quinnesec mine** before August 1st, and the proprietors of that mine visited the location last Monday and selected the route for the sidings to tap the openings. Everything is being made in readiness for the shipment of ore as soon as the track is laid.

AT the **Breen mine**, on the Menominee range, work is progressing satisfactorily. Some 300 tons of fair ore are now in stock. Stripping is still in progress, and since our last letter from that section about 225 feet more of the vein has been uncovered. The company are [sic] building some substantial houses on the location for the accommodation of their men, and for offices and a store.

LETTERS FROM THE MENOMINEE RANGE MINES DOCUMENTED IN THE MINING JOURNAL, MARQUETTE, MARQUETTE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 464 [Saturday, June 9, 1877], page 1, column 5

[To the Editor]

LETTER FROM THE MENOMINEE RANGE MINES: – The railway is completed to within three miles of the **Breen mine**; the contractor expects to have it in and considerably west of that point by the fourth of July. The grading on the western end is approaching completion rapidly, and will be ready for the iron as soon as the contractor is ready to lay it. The working force has been heavily increased.

At the **Breen mine** the mining company is ready to ship on the first train that arrives

here. Their docks and pockets are all completed and partially filled with ore. The docks will hold one thousand tons, and the captain tells me he has things so arranged that he could load and send off three train loads of ore a day. They have stripped and left exposed ore enough to employ a large gang of miners all summer to take out, and are still stripping. There has been a new town site laid out and it is called "**Waucedah**." About half a mile from the mine the company are [sic – is] building a number of quite neat cottages at the Breen location. The railway bridge across the Sturgeon river is nearly completed – its whole length being nearly 500 feet.

At the **Breitung mine** things are indeed active, both mining and railroad building; I also ought to say fishing, for finer trout I never saw taken in any part of the country, weighing from one-half up to three pounds. Other fish are equally abundant. But this is digressing. The head-quarters of the three mines – the **Breen**, **Breitung** and **Quinnesec** – are located at the Breitung mine, and it really is a lovely spot, overlooking a beautiful lake. Also at the Breitung they are ready to take out ore; they have a large tract stripped, the ore laying only about from twelve to eighteen inches below the surface; it is of first quality. There is being put into the bed a tunnel one hundred feet long; they also have a stope finished from which they will take ore, and would be ready for shipping, but their docks and pockets are not completed yet. But there is a large force of men at work on them, and everything will be ready as soon as the railroad is ready.

The gentlemen who constitute the company made their first visit the fore part of this week, and expressed themselves as highly pleased and perfectly satisfied with the manner in which everything was conducted, and highly complimented the

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superintendent for the successful manner in which he had carried out their plans.

The **Quinnesec** has not been opened, but will be as soon as the railroad is advanced far enough.

The weather is dry and excessively warm, and vegetation is suffering severely. The woods are all on fire, being the second time this season. Mr. **Joseph Benton's** log shanty burned yesterday, leaving them all out doors; damages are light compared to the extent of the fire. The fire is abating slightly at this writing.

WOLVERINE.

Breitung mine, June 1.

The grading of the railroad is being carried on night and day, showing the intention of the contractors to complete it in the quickest possible time. Large gangs of men are at work.

The captain of the **Breen mine** and party visited the **Breitung** last Sunday, going on horseback. They are still stripping there; also stocking it. Their first blast occurred there last week, having struck rock they could not remove without the aid of explosives, as heretofore.

At the **Breitung** the work on the dock and pockets is being pushed to its utmost capacity, and at the end of every day you can see that big work has been done. This past week there has been found a bed of hard ore beneath the stripping, surpassing anything on Lake Superior in quality, and the Capt. thinks his mine is going to be the "biggest thing" in the whole country. It far surpasses their most sanguine expectations.

The dock and pockets will be ready to receive ore week after next, when work will be lively. We are anticipating big times for our little place as soon as the railroad is finished.

Weather has been a little chilly the few days past, but warmer now. Gardens are

all planted; health of the location good; no rain as yet; we need it very badly.

WOLVERINE

BREITUNG, June 6, 1877.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 465 [Saturday, June 16, 1877], page 4, columns 2-3

THE MENOMINEE RANGE.

[To the Editor.]

Taking an early start from Menominee, we expected to reach section 34, town 40, range 18, the next night, but in this we were doomed to be disappointed, for on trying to cross the Menominee river, about one mile below **Bad Water village**, our horses came very near being drowned, which detained us until the following morning, when we had to finish the remainder of our journey, of some twelve miles on foot. Throughout the Menominee district, in almost every direction, the woods were on fire, and the blackened cinders and ashes could be seen scattered here and there even when the fire was miles away. It must be very discouraging to the lumbermen whose mills are running on short time or are idle for want of the very logs that were then burning in the "roll-ways." Arriving at our destination the first care was to get something to eat, for hunger was too tame a word to express the condition of our empty larders. After having done ample justice to the bounteous repast served by our genial host, **Monsieur Tobin**, and created in his mind grave doubts of an immediate famine, we began to look around. The location consists of two long buildings and a couple of tents sufficient to accommodate a dozen or more men. The mine owned by the **Commonwealth Iron Co.**, is located on the

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CURRENT NOTES.

–**John Collins** has purchased the **Young livery** and has added a new hearse to the stock.

–Thousands of quarts of **blueberries** are being brought to town at this time. The crop was never better.

–**Butcher Daniel** has a new horse for his delivery wagon. It is not claimed that he sold the old one for beef.

–The addition to the residence of **John Gatherer Jr.**, is nearly completed, and will add very greatly to the comfort of its occupants when done.

–**Joe Rowe** bought a driving horse last week and about the first effort to hitch him up resulted in the utter destruction of a brand new road cart. Guess Joseph will sell at a discount.

–We have the word of the commissioner of Highways, **H.A. Bertolas**, that as soon as the necessary notices can be posted and a contract let, the **Frederickton sidewalks** will be built.

–Tuesday a balloonist made an ascension at **Iron Mountain** and came down with a parachute. This parachute business is nice to look at but s'mother fellow may have our share.

–The sidewalk on the north side of **Central avenue**, is in a very bad condition. It is not worn out but has become shakey [sic – shaky] and many of the planks are loose. Our overseer ought to put a few hours [sic – hours'] work on it.

–The bridge on the township road near **O'Callaghan's** has been repaired and now one need not be afraid of breaking a horses [sic – horse's] leg every time he crosses it. It has been re-planked and otherwise fixed up by overseer **Bouche**.

–An addition is being built on the **Leroy House**, recently purchased by **Peter Young**. Mr. Young informs us that many improvements have been made in the interior of the hostelry and that the structure is to be painted on the outside.

–**Fred Dougherty**, who for the past four years has been in charge of his department, left yesterday for **Milwaukee**, where he has accepted a position on the city staff of the **Evening Wisconsin**. He will be succeeded here by **Horace J. Stevens**, of **Ishpeming**, who was formerly in charge of the **Negaunee** department and who is so well known here as to make an introduction entirely unnecessary. –**Negaunee Dept. Mg. Jour.**

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Silas Patenaude, brother of **Alexis**, departed on Monday morning for **Milwaukee**, where he remained a few days before returning to his home at **Marquette**.

Wesley Hocking, brother of **Mrs. Richard Oliver**, is here visiting. He resides at **Dodgville, Wis.**

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Notice.

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To whom it may concern: My wife **Margaret**, having left my bed and board without just cause, I warn all person [sic] against trusting her on my account, as I will pay no bills of her contracting after this date. Dated. Vulcan, Mich. July 25th 1890.

LOUIS ARSENEAUX.

August, 1890

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume VI, Number 27, columns 1-5

CURRENT NOTES.

–Peter Young opened up his saloon in the Leroy building, Saturday.

–Dr. Wright has built a barn on his property adjoining his new hospital, at Ingallsdorf.

–The Leroy house recently purchased and enlarged by Peter Young, is being repainted this week.

–Kinney has been rushing the building of the house of Prof. Tobey, at Frederickton, this week.

–There are many bushels of berries brought into town every day, and it is pronounced by all to be the best “berry season” for years.

–Mrs. Keating has moved to her new residence at Frederickton, and has rented her hotel, the Milwaukee House, to Mr. Peter Seaborg.

–The matter of procuring a bell for the fire engine house, is being considered by the town board, and there is every likelihood [sic – likelihood] that we shall soon have

this much needed addition to our fire apparatus.

–Charley Springer has about completed his new residence at Frederickton and will have as a [sic] cozy a home as there is in the township when he has finished up all the odds and ends necessary around a new building.

–John James, of the Chapin Co’s office, will resign his position and associate himself with Frank Crocker, in the grocery business. This ought to be able to pull out as many shekels from the general fund as any firm in Iron Mountain.

–Tuesday, while driving through Iron Mountain in company with Prof. Tobey we were unfortunate enough to collide with a carriage containing three ladies. We do not know who the ladies were, as while we were taking an inventory of damages, they drove away, but they were, to say the least[,] extremely fortunate in that neither their horse or ours became fractious. It was the first time in our experience that we were ever “run into” by anybody and we don’t crave any more experience.

–Rev. Axelson, the new pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church here, arrived from Sweden, Tuesday, and will preach his initial sermon in this field tomorrow (Sunday). The parsonage, recently the residence of W.G. Reynolds, on Summit avenue, is being renovated and remodeled and the new pastor and family will move into it on Monday next.

–Whew! wasn’t that an awful stench that prevaded [sic] the air in the vicinity of Chellew’s meat market, on Tuesday night? Someone with a basket of clothespins would have done a landoffice business selling them to pedestrians who were compelled to pass that way. Should the atmosphere in that region become thickened again with such a smell, the health officer would do well to interview the

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parties doing the rendering, or serve a notice on them with a pitchfork.

–The **new hearse** recently added to **John Collins' livery barn**, is he says, the best on the Menominee range. It is large, finely finished in black and trimmed with gold, gold fringed curtains and silver posts and bars and silver urn inside for flowers. On top there are five urns which will be furnished with plumes later. The casket bed is fully equipped with small wheels and posts. The hearse is always in rediness [sic – readiness] for use and a competent driver will be sent with it to funerals.

–A short visit to the **M.R.L. Co's Sturgeon River farm**, Monday, found **Supt. Jouno** busy closing up some odds and ends before getting down to harvest work. As noted a few days ago the yield of hay this year was nearly 300 tons, and other crops are in first class shape. This farm now covers about 700 acres cleared and about 500 acres of this is stumped and fit for the use of machinery. We believe it is the intention of the owners to make the farm one of a thousand acres in size, and to continue the present system of thorough cultivation. Early in the Spring of '91 there will be built a brick farmhouse which will supersede the one now in use which although very comfortable is also very old. The farm buildings on this farm are second in point of size and convenience to nothing on the river, and we think much of the success attending the enterprise is due to the push of Mr. Jouno, who with his estimable wife have been there fourteen years.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Mr. **William Peryam** who has been for the past nine months a visitor to his birth place in England, returned, Sunday. He reports having had a very pleasant visit, and returns very much recuperated in health.

Miss **Nana Breen**, daughter of Hon. **Bartley Breen** of Menominee, is expected here in a few days to visit Miss **Maggie Breen** of Ingallsdorf.

A.M. Monroe[,] who came here from Alabama a few weeks ago, has secured a situation at the **Curry** and will remain.

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Waucedah.

Mrs. Charles Hoag of Oshkosh, Wis., is here taking care of her sick mother, **Mrs. Stephen Reynolds**.

Uncle **Ste Reynolds** says he is going to leave **Waucedah**, but just where he will locate he does not know.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–**Mrs. Mahon**, of Metropolitan[,] is visiting her parents[,] **Mr. and Mrs. Knell**.

–**Peter Young** received a portion of the **furniture** for his hotel from **James Byrant, Iron Mountain**.

–A churn drill has been at work this week, boring for a **fresh supply of water** for the **Odill fountain on Nelson St.**

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–The work on the **Frederickton sidewalks**, under consideration by the town board, has been ordered done and the lumber will soon be on the ground.

–Mr. **S.A. Warren**, a graduate of the Boston Inst. of Technology, has been appointed **mining engineer and chemist**, for the **Aragon Mining Co.** We predict that Mr. Warren will be found a valuable addition to our community.

–**Patrick Flanagan** is now occupying the seat on his **delivery wagon** and holding the ribbons over a pair of broncos. One of them he bought from **Jos. Rowe** and it has a reputation for making matchwood of every rig it was ever hitched to but Patrick has it partially under control as it has runaway but once, since he had it. Pat., if the animal kills you the people will give you a decent burial but it is asking considerable of them when you take such chances.

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A Pleasant Surprise.

Rev. and Mrs. J.A. Axelson, had just got home in the **Swedish Lutheran Parsonage** on Monday and that evening their home was taken -- not away from them, however -- but by about fifty members of the Lutheran church and to say that the pastor and his amiable wife were surprised would be mildly putting it. The reverend gentleman and wife had just a week previous arrived from Sweden and to have their parishioners rush into their new home at such an unseemly time, without explanation or even knocking at the door was rather strange to them. The new parsonage is on Summit avenue and those who have seen the surroundings know of

the beautiful grounds and the trees, not stately yet, but standing sentry over the home. That evening the trees were fairly ablaze with flickering lights from Chinese lanterns aiding materially in making the surroundings more inviting and pleasant. Luncheon [*sic* – *Luncheon*] and coffee were served by the ladies and with singing and talking the evening was well taken up. Late in the evening, his reverence regained his speech and recovery from fright and told his parishioners what he thought of them, and some of them thought he was flattering but he claimed not. Both Rev. and Mrs. Axelson will long remember the pleasant reception they received upon their arrival and the surprise given them on Monday night. The parsonage is nicely furnished and was placed in readiness for occupancy by the ladies of the church.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

R.S. Forsyth, for months **prescription clerk at High's drug store**, will depart from here during the latter part of next week for Detroit, where he will attend the **Detroit Medical College**. Mr. Forsyth is a pleasant gentleman and has many friends who wish him success in his studies.

C.T. McElroy and family returned here Wednesday and are busily engaged in arranging their pleasant quarters in the **McElroy block**. Their many friends are pleased that they have returned and intend to remain with us.

Geo. Keast went to Ishpeming Sunday to meet his parents, who arrived a few days before from England. He returned Tuesday

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evening bringing with him a sister, who will remain for a time with Mr. and Mrs. Keast.

Misses **Bonnie and Lettie Hess**, of Milwaukee, are visiting with the family of **Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Gee** and will remain two or three weeks. They are daughters of Mr. Gee's sister.

Walter Colwell of Appleton, and **Alford Colwell**, of Sault Ste. Marie, are here with the family of **Capt. and Mrs. H.J. Colwell**.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–Miss **Magdalene Dunn** has charge of the dining room at **Hotel Husson**.

–**Judge Hay's** house is much improved in appearance since being remodeled.

–**Anton Odill** purchased a lot on Summit avenue from **J.E. Bergeron**, on Tuesday.

–The **Person** residence at **Ingallsdorf** is nearly finished. It is a neat little residence.

–**C.T. McElroy** is soon to move the warehouse at the rear of his store building, to the lot across the alley.

–**Fred. Kinney's** house, being built for **Prof. Tobey**, is enclosed and the lathers are working on the interior.

–**Mrs. John Oliver** is moving into her own residence on the Norway hill, recently vacated by **Stephen Terrell**.

–**Friendly Phelps** carries his index finger very carefully since he had it injured in a **milk shake machine** last week.

–Miss **Mable Henderson**, sister of **R.C. Henderson**, solicited orders for albums here this week. She is having good success.

–The plasterers have finished their contract on the **Young hotel building** and the carpenters working on the windows and doors.

–We learn this (Saturday) morning that **Mrs. Salzeider**, of **Pembine**, who was so seriously injured by a runaway horse is improving very fast.

–**Anton Odill's** house on the **Rosenheimer** property will soon be ready for occupancy, the plasterers having their contract nearly finished.

–**Overseer Bouche** is laying about 100 ft. of sidewalk a day, and if he works days enough the people from the suburbans [*sic* – *suburban*] towns of **Frederickton** and **Ingallsdorf** may reach town without traveling in mud “knee deep.”

–**Arthur Flatt** the rustling news dealer, of **Iron Mountain**, has moved into his new building near the city fire engine house, and is now at home to all his friends. For a copy of **THE CURRENT** or a good cigar call on Arthur.

–There are a number of so-called men in this community who pay little or no attention to the wants of their homes. When payday comes they at once begin round [*sic*] of visits to places of questionable repute and spend the money needed to pay their creditors and make their homes comfortable. We shall mention no names now but if the practice is continued shall again be heard from.

–Three prisoners in the **Florence county jail** overpowered **Deputy Sheriff Geo. Keyes** as he was entering the jail Monday night, by throwing a blanket over his head and then striking him over the head several times with a lamp. The prisoners were **Driscoll, Burke and Wiley** who were serving time. Keyes pursued them but finding himself unable to catch them shot, striking **Driscoll**, the bullet passing through his body. He died during

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the night. Burke and Wiley made their escape and have not as yet been captured.

–The room over the **Lindquist store and the post office** has been leased by the members of the **Sons of America** and they intend to fix it up for a lodge room. The main room is to be 38x40 ft., anteroom 14x16 ft., and three closets 5x7 ft. The ceiling is high and the room will be splendidly ventilated. It is the intention of the order to lease to two other societies and it is presumed one of the two will be the **A.O.U.W.** lodge. The room is to be nicely furnished, carpeted and lighted and will certainly be attractive. Canvas will, in all probability, be bought for the hall and stretched over the carpet when it can be used for dances.

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Vulcan Notes.

Mr. **William Lauder**, Gen. Mgr. of the **Kimble Iron Co.** of Penn. and brother-in-law of **Gen. Supt. Kelly**, visited here from Saturday to Thursday.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

C.L. Anderson, at one time a resident of **Norway**, is now located at **Ishpeming**, and is representing the **D.F. Morgan Boiler Co.**, Akron, O. The company manufactures steam and hot water heating apparatus. He says he is doing a fairly good business in the u.p.

Harry Muggley and wife departed Saturday morning for **Waupun, Wis.**, where they remained over Sunday with Mrs. Muggley's parents. On Monday they went to **Milwaukee** and **Chicago** and returned Thursday.

Ed. O. Smith, **Janesville, Wis.**, arrived here on Tuesday and will hold the position of **prescription clerk** in **High's drug store**. Mr. Smith was a clerk in **Stearns & Baker's drug store** at **Janesville** for some time.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–**P.N. Kippenberg** has resigned his position with **B.J. Johnson & Co.**, and will locate in **Milwaukee**.

–We learn that **La Vulcan Society** will build a hall at **Frederickton**, 50x100 ft. in size, and two stories high.

–Our **city fountain** is out of repair and those who have the job of fixing it work ten minutes and rest a week.

–**Capt. Robert Miller**, of the **Breen mine, Waucedah**, was in the city Saturday. He will soon move his family to that place.

–As **McIntosh Bro's** have contracted to grade the line of the new road from **Iron Mountain to Crystal Falls**, it is probable that their office will be moved to the former city.

–**A. Kallstrom & Co.**, last week, purchased the meat market of **V.C. Chellev** in this city. **A. Kallstrom** and **Chas. Swanson** compose the company. Success gentlemen.

–**Some of Iron Mountain's prominent citizens object to the hoisting of foreign flags all over the city, with no sign of the flag of the United States.** It is said that no

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Notice.

This is to certify that **Henry Lilly, Joseph Preville** and **Herb C. Smith** have been elected managers of the **Polka Dot Base Ball Club**, and authorized to solicit and collect subscriptions for the purpose of buying materials and securing suitably enclosed grounds for the season's games.

ACCORDING to the Democrat **Menominee has a citizen who is 103 years old.** His name is **Joseph Canture**, and he was **born at Quebec in 1786.** He must be a singularly tough old gentleman, as not only has he been married twice, but has used tobacco "all his life" – about as tough a statement as the old gentleman himself – and "never was sick," another pretty tough statement. "What, never?"

A FINN named **Koski**, accompanied by half-a-dozen other desperadoes, **attempted recently to murder John McDonald, the big lumberman of Three Lakes, near L'Anse,** and according to the Sentinel he shot and killed one of them while they were besieging him in his house. Mr. McDonald has sent **Sheriff Wilde** after Koski and his companions, two of whom have already been bound over to the circuit court.

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Old Man Eslick Comes to the Front.

Day officer **Eslick** had to do some considerable hustling on Friday when he had **three prisoners in the lock-up at one time**, and all within a few hours. One was an **Indian** whose people live in **Quinnesec.** He got fighting drunk on whiskey sold to him by somebody unlawfully here and had to be locked up. The two others were a man named **John Campbell** and a laborer named **George Dorsey.** The Indian was handed over to the care of his people. Campbell's friends paid his fine and costs, and on Saturday morning **Constable Martin** escorted Dorsey to Menominee county jail, where he will remain for sixty days.

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Moyle Will Run.

It appears that **E.J. Ingram** is not to have a walk over, after all, **Wm. Moyle** having decided to make the run against him for aldermanic honors. **Mike Carey** appears to have it all his own way for the supervisorship, however. Later we learn that a full stump ticket – **Moyle, Montgomery** and **Martin** – is in the field in the fourth ward; also a stump ticket in the first ward, and **James Holland** will run stump for justice of the peace in opposition to **J.V. Pearce.**

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IN order to reduce, if possible, the evil of forest fires, the Menominee River log owners and directors of the Boom Company, have passed resolutions condemning the carelessness of crews driving logs on the Menominee and its tributaries, and calling upon all foremen to see personally that all cook or other fires are extinguished before the crews move from one place to another. Parties through whose carelessness forest fires arise are to be held responsible for the resultant damages. This is right and proper.

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The John B. Gough Court.

Three team loads of juveniles from Court Excelsior, in this city, went to Norway last Saturday evening, the occasion being the institution of the John B. Gough Court, of the Ancient Order of Foresters. The visitors were royally treated by their Norway brothers, and all had such an enjoyable time that the visit is to be returned this evening, John B. Gough Court coming up in a body to visit Court Menominee Rangers of this city. The Iron Mountain Foresters will not be lacking in hospitality.

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Goldsworthy, but not Trustworthy.

M.R. Goldsworthy, of Hancock, agent of the Standard Oil Company, skipped to

Canada last week, and an examination of his books shows him to be about \$10,000 short. Goldsworthy is a married man, an old resident of Houghton county, prominent member of the Congregational church of Hancock, and was held in high esteem by those who knew him, and his exposure and flight to Canada as a defaulter will occasion a good deal of surprise. For the past two years he has been dabbling in copper stocks, and this is another case of a man trying to get rich off of some one [sic – someone] else's money.

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New Hotel.

We are pleased to see and welcome our old friend Mrs. Smith, lately of Quinnesec, who has just opened up a boarding house in her new hotel near Pascoe's, on B street. The new hotel has been newly papered, painted and furnished with entirely new and clean bedding, and we do not hesitate, from personal knowledge, to recommend her new quarters to any person, who desires a quiet homelike place to lay his weary limbs upon a soft couch, and be visited by the needed repose that is so sweet to the tired body after the labors of the day are ended. Terms made known on application.

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AN election dinner will be given in the Baptist Hall, over Parent's new store, on

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election day. Dinner will be served from 12 m. [sic – p.m.] until 9 p.m. Meal, 25 cents.

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A Cornish Pugilist Come [sic Comes] to Town.

The air in Iron Mountain still seems to be full of pugilism and other rough species of athletics. Last week a handy-looking young fellow named **Lightfoot**, a **Cornishman**, arrived here from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, where, it is said, he has tackled the best men in that state. He says he is open to meet any heavy weight in the state of Michigan, to fight to a finish or otherwise, or he will wrestle, Cornish style, any man in Michigan. He can be found at the **Chapin**. His Cornish friends express the greatest confidence in his ability and prowess either as a fighter or a wrestler.

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Patsey Darrington and McHugh.

About the last person in the county one would take for a **prize fighter** is **Patsey Darrington**, the **clever light weight**. He is young, smooth faced, quiet, and well enough dressed to be mistaken for a clerk in a clothing store. He called at THE RANGE on Saturday to state that it was he who was awarded the recent fight at **Crystal Falls** and not **Johnny O'Brien**. In spite of the clamorous opposition raised in **Bannerman's gymnasium**, **Pat McHugh**, (who accompanied Darrington to Iron

Mountain) decided that O'Brien must be declared defeated for fouling. On Saturday Darrington and McHugh left for **Escanaba** to take part in a tournament, in which McHugh was to put on the gloves with **Jim McCormick** if the authorities did not interfere.

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A Fight for Life in the Menominee.

Bill Davis, alias "**Liverpool Bill**," had an experience on Thursday afternoon which came pretty nearly putting an end to his existence. He had been **employed cutting a channel across the Menominee river, near Bennett's house** [house of ill repute]. In the morning he had found the slush ice to be strong enough to bear him, and in the afternoon he thought he would use the same track when crash he went down in ten feet of water, a dozen yards from the store. He grasped floating pieces of ice, but they slipped away from him again and again. Then commenced a terrible fight for life. He went down three times, as the elusive masses of slush left his grasp, and his mits [mittens] were soon torn to pieces and his hands lacerated badly. He yelled for help but nobody appeared to be near. He was just going to give up, when he fortunately caught hold of a branch. To this he clung for [a] quarter of an hour, still calling for help, his cries growing fainter and fainter. Fortunately **Bennett** at last heard his cries, and with the aid of a long pole pulled Davis out of his perilous predicament. The poor unfortunate was not only three-quarters drowned, but was almost frozen to death. He could not have lasted two minutes more, and but for Bennett's timely arrival the

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Englishman would now have been lying beneath the icy waters of the Menominee.

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THE **Green Bay Musical Journal** speaks in the following terms in reference to the **B street school concert** given in **Rundle's opera house** recently:

The entertainment given at **Rundle's hall**, Iron Mountain, Mich., on March 1st, by **Miss Allie Wicks' class** and the **pupils of Miss Cora Gould** may well be pronounced a grand success, mostly owing to the experience and ability of these ladies in selecting an interesting program and drilling the children in their respective numbers.

The programme consisted of vocal and instrumental music, recitations and the rendition of an operetta entitled: "Grandma's Birthday." Some of the performers exhibited more than ordinary musical and oratorical talent and soon should be offered a further opportunity to take part in a similar entertainment.

A large audience attended and every body [*sic – everybody*] seemed satisfied to have spent a most enjoyable [*sic – enjoyable*] evening.

Hence we believe to express the wish of all by requesting that the ladies in charge to soon arrange another entertainment, and we are certain that a still larger audience will attend and [*remainder of article missing*].

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Ten Years Old.

With this publication **THE MENOMINEE RANGE** is ten years of age, and has entered upon the eleventh year of its existence, sturdy in wind and limb, as well as vigorous in mind and purpose. When we turn back to the first number that was issued, and look at the little yellow four-paged paper with its scant five columns to the page, and contrast it with the solid and handsome columns of **THE RANGE** of the present day, we feel with satisfaction that we have achieved something of which we may feel justly proud. Where there has been a steady march of improvement, it is always a keen source of satisfaction to take a glance over the records of the past. We, at least, feel that we can do so without a blush of shame, and without any murmur of regret that patient industry has not met with its reward from a generous and appreciative public.

THE RANGE was established as an independent paper in **Quinnesec**, in **1879**, by **W.J. Penberthy**, when Iron Mountain was little more than dreamed of, and Quinnesec believed to be the coming metropolis of the range. In the spring of **1881**, **Carl L. Wendel**, one of the well-known early prospectors on the range, bought the paper from Mr. Penberthy, enlarged it to an 8-col. folio, and removed it to **Norway**, which was then looming up into an importance that already overshadowed Quinnesec. On the 1st of July, **1882**, Mr. Wendel, having too much mining business on his hands, sold the paper to **H.S. Swift**, who removed it to **Iron Mountain**, the mining prospects of which were in turn beginning to overshadow those of Norway. In **1883** Mr. Swift was joined by **R.P. Tuten**, the present proprietor, and the paper at once underwent some improvements typographically and otherwise. On the 1st of January, **1884**, Mr. Tuten bought a half-interest in the property, and on the 1st of

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May changed THE RANGE to a 5-col. quarto. On the 1st of July in the same year he bought out Mr. Swift's interest entirely, and on the 13th of August, in the following year, he enlarged the paper to a 6-col. quarto. That is briefly the history of THE RANGE, except that since the date of its enlargement it has gone on steadily increasing in value as a newspaper as fast as the growth of our city and the patronage accorded it would permit.

It will be seen that THE RANGE has followed the fortunes of three successive places on this range, and has elected to settle down in the tight little city which bids fair to leave all its rivals far out of sight. We have seen many changes in Iron Mountain. We have seen its population grow from 2,500 to over 6,000. We have seen it swell from a straggling village into the proud dimensions of a flourishing city, and as the city has increased in population and importance, THE RANGE has endeavored to keep pace with it, always believing that the general welfare and our personal prosperity are identical, and always advocating those measures that we believed would contribute to each.

By our patrons and our contemporaries we have been treated with a kindness and consideration for which we feel grateful, and if the publication of a good paper – honest, newsy, and liberal in spirit and in deed – can be considered any recompense THE MENOMINEE RANGE will continue to endeavor to provide for them by hard work and such enterprise as lies within the scope of the editor of a "country newspaper."

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RELIGIOUS.

M.E. CHURCH – Revds. G.H. Whitney and W.J. Pasmore, Pastors. Sabbath services: 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School: 2:30 p.m.; W.H. Mitchell, Superintendent; W. Teddy, Assistant Superintendent: Class conducted by W.H. Mitchell meets in the church at 9 a.m.; ladies' class, conducted by N. Down, meets in Miners' Hall, 3 o'clock p.m. Wm. Williams' class meets in Miners' Hall at 9 a.m. Prayer and social service on Thursday evening in the church at 7:30. All mining time.

Central M. E. Church – Revds. G.H. Whitney and W.J. Pasmore, Pastors. Sabbath services, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; S. School, 2:15 p.m., J.H. Erwin, S.S. superintendent. Class meeting, J. Weakes, at 9 a.m. J.H. Erwin's after-morning service, R.C. Oliver's after S.S., 3:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting: 7:30 every Tuesday evening. All local time.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – Rev. H.M. Tyndall, pastor. Sabbath services, 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School 2:30 p.m. Prayer meeting, Tuesday evening, 7 o'clock. Young people's meeting, Thursday evening, 7 o'clock. Bible study, Friday evening, 7 o'clock. Ladies' prayer meeting, Wednesday afternoons at 3 o'clock, at the houses of members. All railroad time.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH – Services every Sunday evening, in the K. of L. hall, at 7 o'clock railroad time. Sunday School at 2:30 railroad time. Jno. [John] James, superintendent. The Rev. W. Macaulay Tooke, B.A. Rector.

SW. EV. LUTHEREN [sic – LUTHERAN] CHURCH – Sabbath services: 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday School: 2:30 p.m. Per Larsson superintendent. Prayer Meeting every Tuesday evening. J.E. LINNEN, Pastor.

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BAPTIST CHURCH, [sic] – Rev: J.B. Lambly, pastor. Sabbath school in **Baptist Hall** at 11:30 a.m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

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A Queer Place to Lie Down In.

As **Constable Martin** was making his rounds early on Tuesday morning he looked into the **electric light engine house** and found a man lying insensible on the floor with blood flowing from a severe wound on the head. He at once went to **Dr. Sattre**, who got up and went with Mr. Martin to the engine house, where he brought the man around and dressed his wounds. When he was able to walk the officer took the man to the **German Hotel** and procured a bed for him. He could give no intelligible account of the way in which he had got into the engine house, as the premises were shut up. All he could remember was that when he got in he lay down to sleep on top of the boiler for warmth, and as he was found on the floor he supposed he must have rolled off and received injuries about the head that rendered him insensible. How long he lay there, of course, he could not tell, but at all events it is fortunate that Mr. Martin discovered him when he did, or he might have bled to death.

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Business Men Organize.

On Tuesday evening the 19th inst. [of this month], the merchants and business men of Iron Mountain met in the **Baptist hall**, and under the direction of the **Merchants Retail Commercial Agency** of Chicago, Ill., organized themselves together for mutual protection against dishonest debtors, and mutual assistance in the collection of debts due them. A constitution and by-laws were adopted for the future government of the association, and the following well-known business men elected for its officers: **W.S. Laing**, president; **K.S. Buck**, vice president; **John J. Saving**, secretary; **Isaac Unger**, treasurer; **R.P. Tuten**, executive board one year; **A.F. Wright**, executive board two years; **M. Seibert**, executive board three years. The first meeting of the association was very harmonious, and all present evinced a determination to compel delinquent debtors to pay up, or pay cash in the future. All the merchants present signed the constitution and by-laws, pledging their honor, as business men, to maintain and sustain each and every part thereof for one year. Among other important matters contained therein is a heavy penalty as a fine, should any member of the Iron Mountain branch of the **Merchants Retail Commercial Agency** extend credit to a person after such person has been reported as not paying his debts. No person shall be reported to the members of this or any other branch as unworthy of credit, until such person has been given a full and fair opportunity to go to the member he owes, and pay, or in some honorable manner arrange for the payment of his debts. This system cannot be oppressive to anyone who is disposed to be honest, but will interfere with the well laid schemes of "dead beats," who go from one store to another and from one town to another, contracting debts wherever they can get a change to open an account; who go it blind, never stopping to consider how

SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Thursday, November 21, 2013

The DCGS met in the multipurpose room of the Dickinson County Library on November 21, 2013, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 19 members and 3 guests present.

The minutes for the October 24, 2013 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported a balance of \$3,090.02 on October 24, 2013. After deposits and disbursements the balance was \$2,704.02. Dues for 2014 are being collected.

Our website counter is at 990, up 78 hits since last month.

A surveyor's book from about 1880 by Frank Brotherton was purchased by the DCGS for \$400. It includes hand-drawn, very clear and very precise surveys of the Dickinson County area, as well as portions of Iron, Menominee, Marquette, Chippewa and Houghton Counties. The binding is fragile but the drawings are in very good shape. The membership voted to donate the book to the Dickinson County Library, and it will be placed in the Library's fireproof safe. DCD copies of the scanned maps will be made available to patrons.

Bill Cummings was re-elected president and Shirley Nelson was re-elected treasurer for the next two years.

The Menominee Range Historical Foundation has a 1914 film showing many areas of downtown Iron Mountain, including the Fourth of July parade, as well as views of mines, the Von Platen Mill and Hydraulic Falls. The film was recently digitized and will be edited and improved for viewing this summer.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

The program was snippets of a video of WWII veterans relating their experiences in the war. Vice President Kay Palmcook assisted in this recently-completed project by Norway's Jake Menghini Museum. Veteran Ed Jasonowitz spoke, recounting how he missed by one day being on the ill-fated *USS Indianapolis* that was sailing in the South Pacific near Guam and Japan in August, 1945. He was assigned to the *USS Lang* instead. The *Indianapolis* was torpedoed and sunk. The survivors, covered with oil, were in shark-infested waters for four days before they were rescued. There were many deaths. The *Indianapolis* at one time had the atomic bomb in its hold. Ed has maintained contact with one of his buddies who survived the disaster.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

Thursday, January 23, 2014

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on January 23, 2014, at 1

p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 22 members and one guest present.

The minutes for the November 21, 2013 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster distributed the financial statement for calendar year 2013, showing a beginning balance of \$3,188.61 and an ending balance of \$3,495.91. Then she distributed the financial statement showing the beginning balance of \$2,704.02 on November 21, 2013. After deposits and disbursements the ending balance on January 23, 2014, was \$3,566.91.

Our website counter is showed an increase of 195 hits since November's meeting. Back issues of *Dickinson Diggings* through Volume VIII are now available on line.

Frank Brotherton's surveyor's book from 1880 is now stored in the Library in its fireproof safe. The contents have been scanned and are available for patron use at the Library.

Mention was made of the contents proposed for the 2014 issues of *Dickinson Diggings*, concentrating on early history.

Beth Baker, director of the Library and a member of the DCGS, was seriously injured in a car accident on December 20. The membership voted to give her a gift certificate for her NOOK to help her pass the time during her recuperation.

The meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

Karlene Hall talked about her avocation of taking photographs of cemetery tombstones and posting them on the Find A Grave website. She is also using local history books to add biographical information to the entries. A similar site is BillionGraves. All of Dickinson County's cemeteries have tombstones recorded through these two resources. Both the Library and the DCGS website contain links to these local sites.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

The reference computer at the Dickinson County Library now has Menominee Range area history files from information I have gathered over the past thirty years available to patrons. There is an index to the content available on the Library's website, as well as a hardcopy at the Library to assist users. At this point there are 190 megabites of information available, and more will be added. By the time this quarterly is distributed, access may also be available on line. The files include (1) Menominee Range History, (2) Dickinson County History, (3) Iron County History, (4) Menominee County History [Faithorn, Hermansville, Powers], (5) Florence County, Wisconsin, History [Spread Eagle], (6) Marinette County, Wisconsin, History [Amberg, Niagara], and (7) Commercial District Designations.

William J. Cummings, Editor

William J. Cummings, President
Kay Palmcook, Vice-President

William J. Cummings, Quarterly Editor

Shirley Nelson, Secretary/Historian
Pamela Foster, Treasurer

MEETINGS: Regular meetings of the DCGS are held the fourth Thursday of January, February, March, April, 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 May, June, July, August and December. Visitors are always welcome.

MEMBERSHIP: Memberships in the DCGS run for the calendar year. Dues are \$12.00 per year for a single membership or \$15.00 per couple. Dues are renewable as of January 1. Membership includes the year's four issues of Dickinson Diggings. Back issues for Volumes I-XXXII are available for \$10.00 postpaid per volume. A limited supply of back issues is available. Please write first to ascertain availability and enclose a S.A.S.E. for a reply. Members desiring a membership card should also write indicating this desire, and enclose a S.A.S.E. for a reply.

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The four Iron Mountain hunters who posed with their hounds and firearms in 1903 were, from left to right, Josiah "Si" Beard, blacksmith and a constable at the time; Pierce Kneebone; Herbert Beard, blacksmith; and John J. Garland, miner. [Gene Derwinski/Dick Ferris]

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four miles from east to west on the line of this vein, with several test pits a mile and a half distant, showing in places a good sample of magnetic ore. From my limited experience I should judge by the looks of this mine that it is an immensely rich find, and will some time turn out to be a sort of bonanza to the owners. While at this mine I was the recipient of many kind favors from Mr. Tobin, to whose courtesy and kindness every visitor in this region will testify. The Quinnesec mine is doing a large amount of work, and are preparing for extensive mining operations next spring. At the Breen mine they are taking out from 10 to 15 car loads of ore per day. The captain says that as soon as they get their shaft in good working order, he calculates to ship 120 cars of ore per day. P.D.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 486 [Saturday, November 10, 1877], page 4, column 1

The **Breitung mine**, on the Menominee range, made its first shipment of ore Friday of last week. It was consigned to the Bangor furnace.

The iron region of Menominee is now coming into quite prominent notice, and will, ere another six months, be a prominent iron mining eldorado [sic – *El Dorado*]. It has been quite thoroughly explored as a whole, and is known to be rich in mineral wealth, while there are now several valuable mines in course of development and operation. Since the partial completion of the Menominee Range railroad, capitalists interested in the region have renewed their grip, and everything now looks favorable towards a complete development of the new region.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 487

[Saturday, November 17, 1877], page 4, columns 1-2

IT will be seen by our tables that up to the 14th inst. there had been shipped from the **Breen** and **Vulcan mines**, in the Menominee range, about 7,000 tons of ore, which is a good showing, considering the short time these mines have been supplied with transportation facilities. All our advices from that region are of the most encouraging character, and it now looks as if the mines being opened will be able to supply all the soft ores there is likely to be any demand for next year. The Menominee hematites are exceedingly rich in metallic iron, and all that is now needed to give that region great prominence is the discovery of hard ore of merchantable quality and in proportionate quantity.

ESCANABA. — The following table shows the ore shipments from Escanaba up to and including Wednesday, November 14th:

Vulcan.....	1,868
Breen.....	4,992

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Number 492 [Saturday, December 22, 1877], page 4, columns 1-2

The following well considered article from the Menominee *Herald* commends itself to the attention of those who are interested in the development of the new iron fields of the Menominee range. While there can be no objection to the extension of the line to the **Commonwealth**, or any other new mine, it cannot be expected that any part of the grant of swamp lands shall be applied to the building of a line which shall not have for its main object the development of mineral interests within our

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own state. Let the line be run to the Menominee river, as the *Herald* suggests, through the iron belt west of the **Quinnesec**, and the object of the grant will have been at least partially attained. Any attempt to divert it from such a course should meet with the united and persistent opposition of the people of the upper peninsula and of the state authorities. The *Herald's* article is as follows:

The route to be adopted in the proposed extension of the **Menominee River railroad**, is a matter of so much importance not only to the people of this and Delta counties, but the state at large, that we cannot forbear calling public attention, for the second time, to the subject. We have no reason to suppose that either the railroad authorities or the **Commonwealth mine** interest are prejudiced against the extension from the present terminus by a line which shall skirt the south side, the iron formations in 40 30 and 40 31, west of the **Quinnesec**. On the contrary it is the impression that this route is favorably regarded by both of these interests. But as there are rumors to the effect that there is a possibility of the extension commencing at a point on the present completed line, two miles east of Quinnesec, and running thence regardless of all intervening interests, northwesterly to the Commonwealth, we are going to invite the attention of our readers to some of the important reasons why such a step would be inexpedient and unsatisfactory.

The state swamp lands of the counties of Delta and Menominee, which apply on the grant to the Menominee River railroad company, were, in the year '73, excepted from the Marquette and Mackinaw grant, for the specific purpose of applying them, at a future day, to the aid of a railroad through the Menominee range. The act approved, April 3, 1875, conforming to this purpose, donated seven sections per mile of these

lands to this road, and specially required that the road should run "as far west and south as section 34 40 30, and from thence to the Michigamme river. It is not fair to suppose the petition embodying the above limitation, which was so generally signed in this and Delta counties, had for its sole purpose the mine of Quinnesec. It would have been made to reach a point four miles further west, had not its originators believed that the formation of the country. If not the good sense of the railroad projectors, would continue the line a sufficient distance westerly to embrace the **Iron mountain, Walpole and Edward's** interests on section 31 and 32 of the same town.

This is leaving out the important interests on the same latitude in the adjoining town of 31. However this may be, a proper construction of the language of the act locates the main line of the road as far south and west as section 34-40-30, and in no sense does it provide for a "direct" route to any iron location in the state of Wisconsin. Michigan has not pledged her swamp lands to the attainment of any such purpose. There is not, and cannot be any question, in a business point of view, as to the expediency of this road running to the Commonwealth mine, or rather to so establish its main line, destined for the Michigamme river, as to provide a connection with that important location. But there are grave reasons, founded upon the subsidy extended it, and connected with the revenues of this county and the state, why the iron locations on this side of the river should not be "left out in the cold," in the attainment of that point.

Many persons in this community have the impression that iron properties are not subject to taxation for town and county purposes. This is not the case. The specific tax of one cent per each ton of ore is in lieu only of state taxes. The mining property at its true cash value is as subject to town and

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county listing as any other property, and it is not far in the future when the iron locations of the Lower Menominee Range will contribute as much to our local revenues as any other class of property, provided always, that they are not "left out in the cold." It becomes the duty, then, of every taxpayer to interest himself in this extension, and direct his influence to the selection of a route which shall develop in the highest degree the resources of Menominee county and the revenues of the state. There are men of information and influence in all parts of the state interested in our range. They should not fail to observe closely the progress of this enterprise.

If it was an effective argument in '75 in obtaining the grant for the road, that the specifix [sic - specific] tax accruing to the state from the ore raised would ultimately counterbalance the value of the lands donated, it is no less effective to-day; and the great promise which the range now presents for an inexhaustible supply of ore gives good color to the proposition. The state officers who hold these lands in trust for the accomplishment of this enterprise, will undoubtedly see that the object of the grant is not sacrificed to develop interests in the state of Wisconsin. We are particular to state that at this writing we have only the rumors floating about that it is the purpose to diverge from the Lower Range at a point east of Quinnesec, and cross the river at Twin Falls. We trust the railroad authorities do not contemplate such a step. It would surely invite serious opposition from more than one source.

EARLY ACCOUNTS OF DICKINSON COUNTY MINES AND SETTLEMENTS DOCUMENTED IN THE ESCANABA TRIBUNE,

ESCANABA, DELTA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Escanaba Tribune, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume IV, Number 37 [Saturday, August 16, 1873] Supplement, page 1, columns 1-3

The Iron Fields of Menominee Co.

Col. B.F. H. Lynn, editor of the *Marquette Mining Journal*, has lately made a minute examination of the new and old iron discoveries in the **Menominee Range**, and has pronounced at least a portion to be of great value, and equal both as regards quantity and quality, to the mines in the Lake Superior country. It was our intention to copy the Colonel's article in reference to the matter; but our exchange containing it having been made way with by certain hangers-on, to be found about all printing offices, we are unable, now that we want to, to make use of the article, so we content ourselves with the following extracts from the correspondence of the *Milwaukee Sentinel*:

The **Lake Superior iron region** has been pretty thoroughly explored as the ridge which divides the waters which flow into Superior from those that flows [sic] into Green Bay and Lake Michigan; and the country lying north of this ridge includes nearly all of that popularly classed as the **iron fields of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan**. In the minds of a few, however, there has long been an impression that south of this ridge, in the space of country extending to the **Menominee river**, the boundary line between Michigan and Wisconsin and, indeed, in Wisconsin there are immense beds of iron ore equal in extent and richness to those of the Superior side of the water-shed. Reasonable ground for this belief was formed in the discovery of

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what is known as little **Sturgeon Falls mine**, in 1867, at a point about 28 miles from the mouth of **Deer Creek**, a small stream falling into Green Bay. The ores taken from this mine, near the surface of the ground, and submitted to analysis, gave 60 per cent of metallic [sic – *metallic*] iron. This test was repeated some time in the summer of 1870 with a similar result, and about the same time a deposit of marble or granite was found in the vicinity. The existence [sic – *existence*] of the marble had been known for some years, but its extent was only a matter of conjecture. It is now known that almost inexhaustible [sic – *inexhaustible*] quantities of it are there, and so situated as to be easily quarried so soon as means of conveying it to market are supplied. Whether [sic – *Whether*] it will be useful for the obvious purposes to which told, but a high authority has already asserted no other building stone in America equals it.

The **Breen mine**, about which much has been said, lies about two miles east of **Little Sturgeon Falls mine**. It presents on one side of a high ridge a solid wall of iron ore from 30 to 50 feet in perpendicular height. The ridge is a quarter of a mile wide at its base, and from 50 to 100 feet at its crown. On the crown where trees have been unrooted [sic – *uprooted*] by the wind the roots have lifted the thin layer of earth covering the ore and shown that the ridge is almost solid iron. If anything may be judged safely from the history of mines, it is that the depth of this deposit is much greater than its height.

The **Breitung mine** is about seven miles west of the **Breen mine**, is under control of the **Milwaukee Iron company**. It gives a good promise. A vein of soft blue hematite ore has been exposed a distance of 450 feet to a point where its width reaches 90 feet. Specular ore is the article required, however, and of that an immense

deposit has been found which works 40 per cent of iron, but is not yet as rich as it will probably prove when pushed a little farther.

The **Quinnisec** [sic – *Quinnisec*] mine, still five miles further west, is attracting attention just now. It is in the hands of citizens of Menominee, who are developing its extent and quality as fast as possible. The exposure is on a southern and eastern slope, and trenches have been cut across the veins at right angles, exposing first, a vein of brown hematite, which I am assured by **Col. Lyon**, of the *Marquette Mining Journal*, is not excelled by any in the country. A fair quality of red specular ore has also been found, and work is now progressing for the further development of it.

In a space of eighteen miles north by fifteen west from the the [sic] **Breen mine** -- which is the nearest to the bay shore -- there are fourteen mines having distinct outcroppings [sic – *outcroppings*], and on which special examinations have been made quite to the satisfaction and often to the surprise of iron men. This includes no reference to numerous fainter appearances where no work has been done. In fact little has yet been accomplished in comparison with the extent of the field to be explored. From Green Bay to the mines in [sic - *is*] all a dense forest, and few roads are yet provided for the accommodation of the work. Until recently it was necessary for all explorers to carry, [sic] in their stores on their backs; but the impetus [sic – *impetus*] received from this summer's operations will soon clear away these hindrances. One may readily foresee the iron horse packing in supplies and packing out boundless wealth of iron, for such deposits as exist here cannot fail to create of industries fully equal to that which has grown up since 1856 on the north shore of the peninsula. Immense forests of timber extends [sic - *extend*] on each side of the Menominee and

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“Tommy” Daniels[,] a former employe [sic – employee] of this office, has again returned to his old love, and may be depended on to **run the print shop in the capacity of chief devil.**

Mrs. Kennedy[,] of Chicago, is the new milliner at the Norway Bazaar.

Richard Waters, of Crystal Falls, is clerking at Lustfield Bros. store.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–The work on the new hall at Ingallsdorf is going along very slowly.

–The Hotel Husson is enjoying a good trade. Another table was added to the dining room on Wednesday.

–Ahlich is to open his meat market as soon as the weather gets frigid [sic – frigid] enough to keep the meat without the aid of a refrigerator.

–A.S. Warren, mining engineer at the Aragon mine, is now nicely located in a new office recently finished, just across the spur track from the engine house.

–On Wednesday, men were sent out on the Sturgeon to prepare camps, roads, etc., for the winter’s work about J.H. Bush’s camp. Mr. Bush is to put in 3,000,000 of pine for the Hamilton, Merryman Co.

–Joe. Hoeheisel, for some time with J.H. Gee, is to start a grocery and provision store in the Nowack building, Cyclops avenue, which is now being fitted up for him. He will go to Milwaukee next week to buy his stock.

–A young man at the Curry, who for six years, in the public gaze, lived peaceable with his wife, on Tuesday night was

arrested upon the complaint of the one whom he should love and respect for **assault [sic – assault] and battery.** The lady was brutally treated, receiving injuries about the head from being pounded and kicked. The case was disposed of by Judge Flanagan. Late the same evening he again attempted to assault his wife and a second time he was arrested and the case disposed of. Should the inhuman man ever be brought up again he will receive the full extent of the law. **A man who will beat his wife, under any circumstances, should count himself lucky if a coat of tar and feathers were not given him.** The name of this man we withhold on account of friends.

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Vulcan Notes.

Mrs. Hogan[,] sister of Mrs. B.W. Jones, returned to her home at Marinette, after a few days’ visit here, Monday.

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Church Notes.

The frescoe [sic – fresco] artists have completed their work on St. Mary’s church and gone. The graining of the woodwork of the interior is also done, and soon this church will be second to but few in point of beauty.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

D. Rosenheimer, little "Dave," who for years run [*sic – ran*] the best general store in town, arrived here Tuesday from Hartford, Wis. Dave is making a success of the merchantile [*sic -mercantile*] business, and we understand, is soon to go into business in Milwaukee. He has many friends here who are glad to see him and wish him success.

Louis Lindenberg[,] of Milwaukee[,] who will be remembered as clerk at the Milwaukee Cheap Store last winter, is again behind the counters at that store. Mr. L. is a good clerk, accommodating and pleasant.

James S. Farm[,] of Ishpeming, son of our townsman, John Farm, spent a portion of this week here. He is a good Republican from the ground up but will likely vote for Braastad.

Mrs. Wilkinson, wife of Capt. Isaac Wilkinson, returned from her visit to the land of her birth, England, early last week.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–Monday, the property of the late Ira Miller, at Ingallsdorf, was sold at auction by the administratrix, Mrs. Carrie Kennedy, to John Johnson, for \$390.00.

–An error in the last issue, reading that J.H. Bush was putting in pine for Hamilton,

Merryman Co., should have read Cox Brothers. Mr. Bush has a sub-contract from Messrs. Cox.

–Monday morning the whistles at the several mines of the Penn Iron Mg. Co. will blow 45 minutes earlier than standard time. This change is made to take advantage of all the daylight possible during the coming short days.

–Charles W. Taylor who has been doing reportorial work on the Iron Mountain Journal, informed the writer, Thursday, that he will issue at Crystal Falls, on Thursday of next week the first number of the Iron County Record, a newspaper with Democratic proclivities. Although we think one paper all that can make a fair living at Crystal Falls, we wish Mr. Taylor success.

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Mastodon.

Our schoolmarm closed her school here Thursday of last week and opened another school where she has but one pupil.

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Vulcan Notes.

Enoch Roberts Jr., now occupies the late residence of operator Scott.

Capt. E.S. Roberts of Mastodon and Mrs. Roberts, spent Sunday here the guests of their son Enoch and wife.

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We unintentionally failed to note, last week, that Miss **May Beadle**, of Pennsylvania, has arrived and will spend the winter with **Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Warren**. Miss Beadle is a sister of Mrs. Warren.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Stephen Reynolds and wife are again back to their first love, **Norway**, and Stephen says he's back to stay for good. He is now employed as **engineer at the Harrison** and handles the lever on the drums to the satisfaction of all.

David Springer, of **Crystal Falls**, brother of our **furniture man L.F. Springer**, was in town, Saturday.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–A **new shaft house frame** is being erected at **No. 2 shaft at the Aragon**.

–The **Harrison shaft** is now about 95 ft. deep, and the water is being easily kept out.

–**Wallace & Ramsdell's** tanners are putting the **tin roofing on Brissette's new building, Main street**.

–A **\$100 steel range** was put into the **Hotel Husson** last week by **Burdett, Smith & Co.** It is the largest in town.

–**Mike Doherty** is again with the **C. & N.W. yard crew** here. Mike spent the larger portion of last year here on the switch.

–**F. Kinney** says he will build several **residences on his lots in the new addition to Norway** and will commence the erection of them soon.

–**Ed. Smith**, **yardmaster here for the C. & N.W.**, has brought his family from **Iron River** where they have been residing, and will again locate here.

–We understand the **Milwaukee Cheap Store** is to occupy the **Brissette building** in addition to the quarters now occupied by the store.

–**G.A. Blomgreen** and two other gentlemen have **purchased F. Kinney's sash, door and blind factory**. They will take possession of the establishment about Dec. 1.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

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S.F. Clark was quite ill last week, so much so that his physician waited upon him three times a day. His daughter, **Mrs. Grace Salzeider**, waited upon him during the sickness. The first of the week he was out again attending to his business as usual.

Mrs. P.M. Knippenberg, of Milwaukee, arrived here on Sunday last to visit her parents. She is to return home this afternoon. Mr. Knippenberg is in an insurance office in Milwaukee and is doing well.

Miss **Carrie Colwell**, who has been visiting at her home for several days, returned to **Iron Mountain**, Thursday evening to resume her position in the **post office**.

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Frank King has been down from Iron Mountain this week, spending the time at the home of his parents, and recovering from an attack of sickness.

August Frangquist, Charles Goranson and Andrew Anderson went to Menominee Tuesday and were admitted to full citizenship, in the circuit court.

Capt. W.H. Knight, of the Norrie mine[,] and E.A. Knight, of the Ironwood fire department[,] were visiting their brother ye editor, Thursday.

J. Ruwitch went to Milwaukee on Saturday last to purchase goods for the Milwaukee Cheap Store.

Miss Maggie Breen was at home Saturday. She returned to her school at Nadeau, Sunday.

Miss Kate Hudson, of Wilsborough, N.Y., is here visiting her brother Will Hudson.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–Saturday was the Aragon's payday and we learn that nearly \$20,000 was distributed to its employes [*sic* – *employees*].

–There will be six or seven logging camps on the Pine creek and the Sturgeon this winter, the supplies for which will go in from Norway and Vulcan.

–The members of the P.O.S. of A. of Norway, are now very comfortably located in their new hall in the Lindquist block, and are making weekly additions to their number.

–Will Keating[,] who has been for some time telegraph operator here, has

resigned his position, the demand for his attention to the business of Benane & Keating calling for this action.

–Ed. Scott, of Crystal Falls, will put in about one and a half millions of pine on the Sturgeon, for the Detroit Lumber Co. this winter. He will occupy the last winter camps of S.H. Bridges.

–Saturday, we received the first number of the Iron County Record, published at Crystal Falls, by Charles W. Taylor. It is a 5-col. quarto and judging from the pith and point in it is edited by Will Kernan. That it will succeed is the earnest wish of THE CURRENT.

–The crossing of the new railroad at the Pine creek bridge is a botch. The company ought to have been required to either raise the old bridge or build a new one. The old bridge has been fixed up as well as possible but we predict that under the new order of things it will go out with the logs, in the spring. The approach to the railroad crossing and bridge is a dangerous one or will be whenever trains begin to run, and never should be allowed to remain in its present condition.

–Wednesday, we visited the logging camp on Pine creek of J.E. Bergeron. The crew of about 35 men are using the old Pendleton camp, and now have about 700,000 on skids. The foreman is Mr. Joseph St. John and the scaler is (we believe) named Asken. The name of the cook we know is Albert Bell, for we had two meals there, and have every reason to believe that we made a noticable [*sic* – *noticeable*] diminution of the edibles. Mr. Bergeron will probably put in three millions from this camp this winter, and he has another camp 10 miles from here and will also do some travois [*sic* – *travois*] work on Grand island as soon as it freezes up. He will put in about 8 millions this winter and now has 75 men employed.

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Crystal Falls.

Capt. C.T. Roberts and family have moved from **Mastodon** to this place, and are occupying the **Parks residence recently purchased by the Captain.**

The 80 ft. addition to the store of **Lumberman's and Miner's Supply store**, [sic] is up and enclosed and will be ready for use during the early days of the winter.

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Caught on the Fly.

The site for the court house of the new county has already been selected at **Iron Mountain.**

It is whispered that **Norway is not the only place where a division of Menominee county will be opposed.**

Capt. Harry Roberts will move his family from the **Youngstown** to **Mastodon**, and will occupy the late residence of **C.T. Roberts.**

The father of **Supt. J.T. Jones** of the **Hamilton** will make his home at **Iron Mountain** in [the] future. **Mr. Jones Sr. is about 75 years old and is one of the oldest mechanical engineers in the country.**

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CURRENT NOTES.

–We hear of **much typhoid fever at Iron Mountain.**

–The front was put on the **new Ingallsdorf saloon building**, Wednesday.

–The approach of winter does not seem to stop the **building of new houses**, in **Frederickton** and **Ingallsdorf.**

–The **closing of schools** in this district does not seem to be any hardship for the rising generation. It's good **skating** you know.

–There are **six new buildings under construction at South Norway**, and contracts have been let for three more. This is the result of legitimate demand.

–**Lake Mary** is the scene of much enjoyment this week. **The skating is good and the fact that there is no school causes many of the young people to put in a good deal of time on the ice.**

–A house at the **Norway mine** in which there had been three fatal cases of diphtheria, [sic] was burned down by the board of health, **Sunday.** The fire department was on hand to prevent the spread of the fire to contiguous [sic – contiguous] buildings.

–The **new saloon and boarding house at Ingallsdorf**, which the reporter mistook when its foundation was laid, for the long talked of **Italian Hall**, will be ready for occupancy soon. It will be conducted by a **Mr. Parolini** of **Iron Mountain**, if we are rightly informed.

–We unintentionally failed to mention the fact some weeks ago that **Mr. Harry Oates** had **left Norway** and gone to the **Hollister mine** in the **Crystal Falls** district to take charge of a portion of the mining work. **Mrs. Oates** and the children will leave in a few days to join him.

–**Since the advent of the 20-ton ore cars** there has been very little favor

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shown the old time “jimmies” and the average brakeman doesn’t shed any tears over the total destruction of a whole train of them. They must go. Twenty or more years ago, the man who might have made the prophecy that cars carrying from 20 to 25 tons of ore and supplied with air brakes would ever be used would have been laughed at.

—Peter Le Croix, one of the prosperous state road farmers, was in town Tuesday and placed some of his money in Norway property by purchasing the Reber corner, the lot on which the blacksmith shop now stands and one half of the lot adjoining it. The price paid was \$950.00. Mr. Reber is to move the blacksmith building from the property before April 1st next, at which time Mr. Le Croix proposes to commence the erection of a brick hotel building the dimensions which will be 40x60 ft. Already four or five men have applied to Mr. Le Croix to rent the new building.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Mr. Tretheway, father of Mrs. Jas. Hosking[,] went to Menominee, Saturday evening with a land agent of West Superior representing James Bardon, to identify William Sellick[,] who is an heir to a valuable estate in the city limits of Superior. It seems that Mr. Tretheway and Mr. Sellick twenty or more years ago were together in the wilds of the very valuable Superior country. The meeting of the two old gentlemen must have been a pleasant one from the fact that they had not met since they camped together in the sixties.

Hon. Robt. McGeehan and wife, of Depere [sic], Wis., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James O’Callaghan, during the early days of the week. Mr. McGeehan is a brother of Mrs. O’Callaghan.

Jacob Schoenberg[,] one of Norway’s former residents[,] came here to spend Thanksgiving with his folks.

R.C. Henderson went to Iron Mountain to eat dinner with the “old folks at home” Thursday.

Will Monroe ate turkey at his mother’s table, here, Thursday.

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CURRENT NOTES.

—The Parolini building, Ingallsdorf, is nearly completed the plasterers just finishing their part of the contract.

—If you want good meat of any kind don’t forget that Frank Ahlich has opened up his new shop at Ingallsdorf.

—Capt. “Ike” Williams of the Aragon, will soon move into his new home at Frederickton on the classic banks of Lake Mary.

—It is rumored that our friend Dan Stewart has purchased two lots in Frederickton and that he will build a residence there in the Spring [sic – spring].

—Frank Ahlich opened his meat market at Ingallsdorf on Monday and now people residing on the other side of the track can patronize a home market.

—John Sewell has enclosed a neat little cottage in the addition, South Norway, and will have it ready for occupancy in about ten

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Jackson, who succeeded Pete Garvie [*sic* – *Garvey*] in the yard, young **Peterson** is acting as **yardmaster**.

Rumor has it that **Ben Kramer**, of Iron Mountain, will soon come to Hurley for the purpose of uniting **Miss Cohen's** name with his own. – Gogebic Mining Record.

Yes, things certainly look that way. Ben has been seen a good deal in the dry goods stores lately.

Mr. **H.G. Fisk**, of the **Atlantic Dynamite Company**, has been relieved of the assistance of **George Gordon**, who was sent to him from New York to keep the local agency's books. He will be succeeded by another young New Yorker, Mr. **Fred Small**, the son of a prominent member of the company.

The wife of **night watchman Wm. Martin** has been so seriously ill during the past week that he was compelled to remain at home and hand over his star to **Fred Shiffmann**, the **fireman in the bank building**, for two nights in succession. He has now, however, returned to duty, his wife's condition being somewhat improved.

David A. Graham, of Iron Mountain, was here Tuesday putting up awnings over the front windows of **A. Patenuade's building, Nelson street**. The awnings he handles are first class and he handles them cheap. He has many orders ahead and will return here shortly to put up a number for other parties. –The Current.

Mr. Bitterly, the **jeweler**, who had to go down to Hot Springs about three months ago, to be treated for an acute attack of rheumatism, returned to Iron Mountain on Saturday. He is looking well, and he says that his health has so much improved that he can no longer justly describe himself as "Bitterly suffering." When a man can make a joke like that he is all right or thereabouts.

Gus Tollen, the **boss at the hydraulic power company's works near Quinnesec**, says he has not seen home in

Draamen, near Christiania, Norway, for thirteen years, and that early this summer he intends to take his family across the Atlantic and show them the home of their forefathers, the Vikings. After putting them through a course of Scandinavian Eddas, he will return with them to Iron Mountain in the fall.

Mr. **Emil Blatz**, of the great **Milwaukee brewing firm of Val. Blatz**, is on a round of inspection of the various agencies of the firm in the upper peninsula, and on Friday arrived in Iron Mountain to spend a few days here and in the vicinity. We understand that there is no truth in the report that when he heard of some of his men here buying bibles on the instalment [*sic* – *installment*] plan, he thought it high time to visit Iron Mountain and see what was going on. Mr. Blatz was piloted around by **Mr. Lacher**, his **local agent** here.

We are sorry to hear that **Conductor Dick Jackson**, **Capt. Oliver's** brother-in-law, was seized with a dangerous attack of pleurisy and pneumonia on Friday last. Nine weeks ago Mr. Jackson slipped while coupling cars on the **M. & N. road**, and sustained a communitied fracture of the ankle, from which he was confined to bed for eight weeks. A week ago he was anxious to get back to work and was **given charge of the freight yard** here. He must have over-estimated his strength, however, by his willingness, and hence his present dangerous illness. He will be cared for at the residence of his father, who is engineer at the **Chapin mine**. Mr. Jackson's family is also in Iron Mountain.

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CARRIERE & Barrett have been doing a rushing business since they opened a week ago.

THE new game law permits the killing of deer in the lower peninsula from Nov. 1 to Dec. 1, and in the upper peninsula from Oct. 15 to Dec. 1.

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Bound Over.

Thos. Buzzo, W.H. Hocking and Geo. Pestori [*sic – Pastori*], who were arrested last week for selling liquor [*sic - liquor*] on election day, pleaded guilty before Justice Bergeron and were bound over to the circuit court.

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Broke his Neck Pulling a Tooth.

A singular accident is mentioned of a colored man in Chilton, Wis., who attempted to extract one of his own teeth last Monday, and it came out so much easier than he expected that the reaction caused his head to fly back so violently as to dislocate his neck, causing death in a few minutes. Let this be a warning to all our readers not to attempt to pull their own teeth.

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IT will interest many of the woodsmen on the Menominee around here to learn that the **Menominee River Hospital** and the **Wisconsin and Michigan Hospitals** are now run under one management, with **Dr. H.E. Mann**[,] president.

JOHN L. BUELL has been appointed post master at **Quinnesec**. The office pays about \$300 a year, we understand. Uncle Sam has better things at his disposal to offer than the postoffice at Quinnesec, but they are not located in that pleasant village.

JUST received at **M. Levy & Co's** a full assortment of ladies' muslin underwear consisting of chemises, night dresses, drawers, corset covers, aprons, skirts, etc., etc. To be sold at uniform price of 35 cents. Come early and examine before the assortment is broken.

ALBERT LARSON, formerly proprietor of what is at present called the **Journal**, has been elected a justice of the peace in **Menominee**. If he makes as good a law-giver as he was a newspaper man, he will make a very excellent justice – one that will do Menominee credit.

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For Sale.

Sol Noble has single and double wagons, manufactured by himself, and warranted to be strong and well made, that he will sell at reasonable prices. If in need of one don't fail to give him a call. Shop on **Ludington street, opposite Wood's block**.

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THE **Marquette Mining Journal** has put on a new dress and looks giddy among its contemporaries. But though the voice is the voice of Jacob, the hand is still the hand of Esau. When the printers and proof readers get down to business the Journal will be easily the handsomest newspaper in the upper peninsula.

THE **Escanaba Calumet** has now become the sole property of **Mr. Lew Cates, Mr. C.E. Mason**, of the **Gladstone Delta**, having retired from the concern. Mr. Cates is certainly making the Calumet a vigorous semi-weekly, and deserves the hearty support of Escanaba for the vim and enterprise he is bestowing upon the paper.

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Tremendous Train Service.

Any one passing through the main street of Iron Mountain, and hearing the perpetual jangling of the warning locomotive bells, would scarcely imagine the enormous extent of the traffic that has to be registered up at Antoine. From the 5th of May until the 24th of October last year no fewer than 8,067 different trains were registered, and the probability is that that great average will be considerably exceeded this year.

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A RUMOR was reported about the city yesterday that **Pat McHugh** was dead – that he had been shot in a saloon row in Marinette last Monday, from the effects of which he died the next day. News direct from Marinette, however, spoils a sensational item. Pat is not dead, nor even hurt.

LAING BROS. have rented their meat market to **Messrs. Hoose & Waters**, who are now in charge. **W.S. Laing** will devote his energies to his **lumbering and mill interests**, and after the first of May will withdraw entirely from the meat business. Billy is one of those pushing, energetic men who is bound to make a success of anything he undertakes, and for that reason we regret that his new enterprise is not directly contributory [*sic – contributory*] to the prosperity of Iron Mountain.

QUITE a crowd of men and children were attracted to **Rundle's opera house** last Tuesday afternoon, when **Hosking's little dray horse** was led up the steps to be on hand to play his part in **Kerry Gow** in the evening. It was proposed to stable the horse for the time being over **John Saving's** [*sic – Savings'*] tailor shop, but when it was suggested that John might object to have stable extract dripping down on to his clothing, the animal was moved to a position where less harm was likely to follow.

IF some of the smart boys of Iron Mountain could only get on to the fact that they can very easily make a dollar or two every Thursday by selling THE RANGE they would be considerably smarter than they are. Last week the paper sold like wildfire. Not only had **Mr. Arthur Flatt** to call for a duplication of his usual supply, but the **Otto Waterwitz** boy who sold the papers on the street found so many customers that THE RANGE could not keep up with his demand. Of course, all this is

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very satisfactory to THE RANGE, but we can stand prosperity of that description.

OF the 158 trains that will run on the upper peninsula division of the C.N. & W. [sic – C. & N.W.] this summer, all but 60 will run on the Menominee range branch. As the branch is a single track part of the way it will require some close running to keep all this traffic moving along without delay. **Ninety eight trains a day is four every hour out of the 24, with two over to be sandwiched in somewhere.** In fact we saw three ore trains pull out after the morning passenger had passed, the other day, not more than five minutes apart. Here is one employment, at least, where it behooves a man to be on time.

DR. J.K. NIVEN, the health officer of **Ironwood**, has issued a circular to the citizens, calling attention to the fact that “the disappearance of snow, bringing to light the large accumulation of garbage thrown out during the winter months, reminds us forcibly that now is the time to inaugurate measures for preventing sickness and death from the ordinary diseases of this State.” He then gives the citizens some plain commonsense [sic – common sense] rules to follow, and calls upon them to co-operate heartily with the health officer. The same state of affairs exists in **Iron Mountain**, where the citizens ought again and again to be called to co-operate with the health authorities.

A SHOCKING sensation was produced yesterday afternoon on those persons who saw a couple of drunken Finns driving through main street, having under the runner of their cutter a child they had run down. The child was caught by the neck and shoulders, and the road being slippery it was dragged along instead of the sleigh running over it. The persons who saw it yelled at the Finns to stop, at the same time pointing to the child. The Finns, however, were too drunk to notice anything

or too cussed to pay any attention to them. **John Tobin** happened to be passing along the street at the time, and as soon as he saw the child he sprang promptly into the street and catching the horse by the bridle, stopped it, while the child was released by others. Tobin held the horses until **Marshal Schroeder** came up, who, with his usual pomposity, told the Finns to drive their horse up to a post near the sidewalk, as he was going to arrest them. The Finns drove on, and getting away from the marshal for a little distance, they put their horse to a gallop and got away. The child was the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. **Herman Miller**. It is severely injured and may not recover. – **Iser** in the **Mining Journal**.

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FROM present indications **Iron Mountain has never had a greater building boom than will be witnessed this summer.** A walk about the city shows new houses going up in every direction, and old houses being enlarged and improved. This is an evidence of prosperity and confidence in the future of Iron Mountain that it does us good to see. Quite a good deal of building is going on in **Armstrong's addition. Langdon, Stanley Scott, Wilbur** and a Hungarian who works at the **Ludington mine**, [sic] are putting up neat residences, and others will be commenced in a few days.

WE heard one well known saloonkeeper in Iron Mountain say the other day that if the Sunday-closing law were rigorously carried out, the loss to him would be between \$1,200 and \$1,500 a year. “And yet,” he added, reflectively, “it mightn't amount to that much, because the moment that people realized they could get

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no liquor on Sunday anywhere they would lay in their supplies on the previous night. I shouldn't wonder if rigorous Sunday-closing all around would in time become as broad as it is long. But all saloons must be treated alike; no favoritism; no peculiarly convenient back or side doors for particular individuals."

CHARLEY PARENT has remorsefully ruined one of the best items that appeared in our last issue. We entered his store early yesterday morning to see if we could stand Charlie off for a pound of butter, when he startled us with the abrupt inquiry – "Say, Who told you **Sam Stephenson** ever gave me a lot?" Well, we laid it onto our reporter, our lady compositor, better half, the devil, and everybody else we could think of (confound it, Sam wasn't so generous as we gave him credit for being after all) and told Charlie we would fix it all right in this issue. "All right," says Charlie. "Say, Mike, did any body come in here and try that flim—" We fled.

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False Alarm.

When the engineer at the Ludington mine blew the whistle for twelve o'clock, last Monday night, the valve stuck and he was unable for several minutes to stop his infernal racket. The prolonged screeching from that quarter led to the belief that a fire had broken out, and consequently the alarm was sounded and in a short time both fire companies were plunging through the mud in a desperate effort to reach the scene of the conglagration. Engine No. 1 got stalled in the mud near Fleshiem street,

the horses got winded and balked, and it was very fortunate the services of the engine were not required. This little circumstance makes still more apparent the necessity of having Carpenter avenue macadamized or paved at the earliest possible day. In the condition the street is now it is almost impossible for one pair of horses to pull the fire engine up to the Chapin location. We hope to see at least a portion of Carpenter avenue put in good shape this summer.

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SITTING in Rundle's opera house last Monday evening we noticed the number of business cards on the stage drop curtain that are already out of date. It is not two years we think since this curtain was painted, yet ten of the advertisements already represent business houses that no longer exist – either having suspended entirely or changed hands. For instance: **McLaughlin & Devere** are no longer insurance agents, having been succeeded by the **Menominee Range Insurance agency**; **T.B. Catlin** sells groceries, fruits, candies, cigars, etc., instead of furniture; **Laing Bros** are succeeded by **Hoose & Waters**; **L.M. Hansen**, not **John Minnis**, is proprietor of the **Iron Mountain livery stable**; **Verhalen Bros.** left Iron Mountain a year ago or more; instead of **Rundle's Bros.** it is now **Thos. Rundle**; instead of **Robbins & Blackney**, it is **Blackney & Son**; instead of **Schuldes & Carriere** it is **C. Schuldes**, and **Lieberthal & Co.** have no further use for an advertisement on Rundle's drop curtain, nor have **Hathaway & Flatt**.

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Gallant Dogs.

Mrs. Orrin Scribner and Miss Winnie Scribner, nieces of Supervisor J.G. Scribner, of Bay Mills, had a terrible experience (says the **Soo News**) in the frigid waters of Waiskai Bay, recently. On a toboggan drawn by two dogs they started to cross the bay on the ice. When quite a distance from the shore, the ice which was "candied" and rotten, gave way, but the dogs escaped. With great presence of mind they managed to keep afloat meanwhile frantically screaming for aid. The dogs endeavored to do all in their power and at last after tugging for [a] full twenty minutes they succeeded in pulling Miss Winnie out and she rescued her companion. **Bill Shaw**, of this city, was crossing the ice some distance away and perceiving the accident hastened to the rescue, but did not reach the scene until after the noble dogs had saved the lives.

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Anxious Candidates Still in the Field.

Although the election is over the struggle for city offices is not by any means ended. There are positions on the police force to fill, and a street commissioner, fire marshal, fire warden, clerk and health officer are to be appointed by the city council, and the candidates for these various positions are besieging the mayor

and aldermen and urging their respective claims. It is in fact a more interesting and intense struggle for those concerned than the one at the polls, because it is narrowed down to a smaller compass. As to the position of city marshal the retiring council have shown their dissatisfaction with **Wm. O'Hara** by accepting the first opportunity presented since they were given the power under the recent special act of the legislature to remove him and put **W.H. Martin** in his place, and **Giles King** on as night watch in place of Martin, promoted. Mr. O'Hara has one firm friend in the council who holds over, and we think at least one more who was elected to a seat in the council at the last election, besides a large number of friends in the fourth ward, who doubtless will all use their influence toward securing his re-appointment in May. Mr. Martin is of course a candidate, and **T.B. Catlin** is also looking for the appointment, besides every constable in the city except **Eric Hager**, who is satisfied to be on the night watch, every candidate for constable in the recent election and others. For highway commissioner **James Kinnifick** was announced as a candidate last week, but he is by no means alone in the race. **John Minnis** wants it. **Ed. Harvey** wants it: **Tom Hayes** wants it, and **Arthur Stevens** could at least be prevailed upon to take it, and probably there are others in the same frame of mind. If there are any persons hoping to be appointed city clerk in place of **Frank Crocker**, they are conducting their campaign on the still hunt plan. The office of fire marshal appears to be going begging, and begging **H. McLaughlin** to take it, a man who would fill the position admirably if he can be prevailed upon to take it. The position of health officer and fire warden do not appear to be looked upon as great prizes, and will probably furnish instances of the office seeking the man. While there is no lack of

SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Thursday, May 22, 2014

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on May 22, 2014, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 17 members and 10 guests present.

The minutes for the April 24, 2014 meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported a balance of \$3,483.95 on April 24, 2014. After deposits and disbursements the ending balance on May 22, 2014, was \$3,498.95.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Bill Cummings presented a Power Point program titled "Wheels: The Horseless Carriage – Part 2" which continued the Part 1 presentation made in April.

William J. Cummings, Editor

Thursday, September 25, 2014

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on September, 2014, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 14 members and 15 guests present.

Treasurer Pamela Foster reported the beginning balance of \$3,498.95 on May 22, 2014. After deposits and disbursements the ending balance on September 25, 2014, was \$3,043.20.

Bill reported that our website continues to be a source of interest. There were 627 hits from the May meeting to today. He explained that it costs us about \$10 a month to maintain plus a license fee of about \$15 per year.

Bill reminded those in attendance that there is a lot of genealogical and local history information available in the Dickinson County Library, including U.S. Census microfilms, local and regional newspapers and items in the Local History and Genealogy Room and on the local history computer.

Bill also announced that the DVD "The Way We Were: Iron Mountain, Michigan, 1914" is now available for sale at the Cornish Pumping Engine and Mining Museum Gift Shop, as is the DVD "The CG-4A Cargo Glider, As Built by the Ford Motor Company, Iron Mountain, Michigan." Each DVD costs \$10 with the proceeds going to the Menominee Range Historical Foundation.

The meeting adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

The program was a viewing of "The Way We Were: Iron Mountain, Michigan, 1914" which began with a brief history of world and national events for 1914. The 1 hour and 10 minute DVD contained 1914 footage of Iron Mountain, including the commercial district, miners exiting the Chapin and Pewabic Mines, the Von Platen Lumber Company sawmill, Pine Grove Golf Course, Hydraulic Falls and the 1914 Fourth of July Celebration which

featured the Menominee Range's first "aeroplane" flight. Information and period photographs presented as a "silent film" of the era helped tell the story.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

Thursday, October 23, 2014

The DCGS met in the multi-purpose room of the Dickinson County Library on October 23, 2014, at 1 p.m. with President Bill Cummings presiding. There were 19 members and 7 guests present.

The minutes for the September 25, 2014 meeting were approved as corrected. Treasurer Pamela Foster reported the beginning balance of \$3,043.20 on September 25, 2014. With one deposit and no disbursements the ending balance on October 23, 2014, was \$3,070.20.

Our website counter showed an increase of 208 hits since September's meeting.

Miriam Belding was nominated for treasurer and Kay Carlson for vice-president. Elections will be held at the November meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Mary Zanoni, a master certified handwriting analyst, presented a program on how genealogical researchers can find clues to the personalities of their ancestors through examination of their personal writing. A second generation Italian-American whose grandparents were all born in the Alpine region of northern Italy, Mary grew up in the Chicago area and spent all her summers in the Upper Peninsula, where her father built a resort in the 1940's. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in mathematics, but went on to become a computer programmer, and finally a manager of Systems Administration Services at Michigan Technological University in Houghton. In 1993 she earned a master certification from the International Graphoanalysis Society, and has become an expert in handwriting analysis.

Mary has combined her interest in handwriting with genealogical research. She gave pointers on what various characteristics of handwriting can often mean. Examples included pressure of pen on paper, thickness of ink, direction of strokes, position on lines, beginning strokes, ending strokes, "t" crossings, open and closed letters, loops and other elements. From the study of handwriting samples she is able to give insight into the writer's personality, emotional responsiveness, imagination, sensitivity, dignity, pride, defiance, desire for responsibility, thinking patterns, determination, socialization and more. Thus, handwriting can give insight into the lives and personalities of our ancestors.

Shirley Nelson, Secretary

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