

ALL ON FIRE.

A Vast Section of Northern Wisconsin in Flames.

Hundreds of Residents Are Homeless and the Fires Hourly Spreading—Losses Will Reach Millions—No Loss of Life Reported.

A FIERY FURNACE.

MARSHFIELD, Wis., Sept. 16.—Northern Wisconsin is one smouldering furnace. The line of fires which are ravaging the forests between here and Lake Superior is complete. Where they will end no one can say. Unless there is rain in northern Wisconsin within the next forty-eight hours even greater disasters than have already occurred may be expected.

FAMILIES HOMELESS.

Many families are homeless and destitute. And yet no one has been found who has been able to confirm the reports of losses of life from the flames. That some settlers have been cut off by the flames and killed is very probable and in another day or two proof of the death of many persons may be obtained. So far all who have been reported as missing, however, have been located. Many persons escaped death only after adventures of a most thrilling character, and some of the stories of the refugees who are hourly driving in from the country to this place of their escapes from the flames are dramatic.

HEAVY LOSSES.

The fire is the greatest since that of 1871. The extent of the damage cannot be estimated owing to the fact that the fires have cut off telegraphic communication with most of the smaller towns. On timber the losses are the heaviest, and Frank McMillan of the McMillan Lumber company in an interview said the loss to Wisconsin forests would probably amount to between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000. This represents a vast amount of pine as well as hardwood timber, covering a land area which even those most familiar with the forests of Wisconsin cannot estimate.

DISASTER EVERYWHERE.

On every side are evidences of Thursday's battle with the flames. The citizens of Marshfield had a hard fight to prevent a portion of the city from being swept away. The fire came from the northwest, and sweeping its path through the timbers it wiped from existence six houses and an old mill owned by Henry Sherry at Manville. Two of the houses were owned by Mrs. Michael Powers, a widow, who barely escaped from the house with her four children.

DAMAGE AT OTHER POINTS.

At Merrill, Wis., reports are pouring in from all directions, telling how the disastrous fires are leaving death and desolation in their wake. In the towns of Pine River and Scott, eighteen families have been rendered homeless. Swope's sawmill in the town of Pine River was completely burned. It was valued at \$25,000 and was insured for \$17,000. At Powers' station fifteen families were burned out, the people barely escaping with their lives.

ENVELOPED IN SMOKE.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 16.—Milwaukee is enveloped in smoke from the forest fires which are burning throughout northern Wisconsin. The wind is blowing a gale from the northwest, which is certain to spread the fires, and the worst may be yet to come unless there is rain, which is the only relief. Ninety men arriving here say the smoke extends 200 miles south from the burning sections and vessel captains report the smoke on the lake to be as thick as a fog.

CLOSED THE SCHOOLS.

Forest fires in the vicinity of Marinette are causing considerable alarm. The smoke there was so dense that it was necessary to close the public schools. The fire is burning close to the city. The agent at Babcock says that cranberry and hay marshes have been burned over at Tomah and Worden. Advice from several villages on the Milwaukee & Northern railroad say that the people are fighting the fires with fire engines, wet blankets and every other means possible. The marshes have burned to a depth of 4 to 6 feet and the fire is running through the woods to an alarming extent.

DANGER AT ASHLAND.

ASHLAND, Wis., Sept. 18.—A prayer for rain is the hopeless cry throughout northern Wisconsin. The forest fires continue to sweep everything before them. It has been an exciting day in Ashland. Settlers are coming in from all directions fleeing for their lives. At noon Sunday the people were called from worship by fire alarms. The cinders and smoke became almost blinding all over the city. Over a thousand volunteers were added to the fire department to check the flames which rushed in on the city from the Odanah Indian reservation.

SPREAD OF THE FLAMES.

As near as can be estimated fire now covers nearly 200 square miles and is sweeping north. Damage to standing pine will be heavy and approximate not less than \$5,000,000. Indians are camping on a raft in Bad river and hemmed in with an archway of flames. All communication is cut off from the surrounding small towns and it is impossible to give details of the holocausts and losses, but if rain does not come soon the death list will run up into the hundreds.

Three Railroad Men Killed.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 14.—The engine and fourteen cars of the first section of the east-bound freight train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway was derailed at 11 p. m. Saturday at an open switch at Olivia, Minn., a small station on the Hastings & Dakota branch, 93 miles from Minneapolis. Charles Reddings, engineer; George W. Bensen, fireman, and Anthony Brewer were killed.

FROM MICHIGAN TOWNS.

Interesting Bits of Information Gathered by Mail and Telegraph.

An oil well has been discovered near Fife Lake.

Paw Paw will have its electric lighting plant in operation by Nov. 1.

John Hannes, of Manistique, fell from a trestle and was instantly killed.

The sugar famine has struck Lansing, and dealers are unable to fill orders.

Ludwig E. Schmidt, of Manistee, shot himself dead while at target practice.

The death is announced of Dr. Newton D. Lee, a prominent Saginaw physician.

Malta commandery No. 44, Knights Templars, has been instituted at Benton Harbor.

A light vessel has been ordered moored near Bar Point, Mich., to guide boats into Detroit river.

It is thought that James White, whose body was found in the river, at Grand Rapids, committed suicide.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, of Athens, died on the same day—last Friday—and were buried together on Saturday.

Barney Wilkes, the \$30,000 stallion owned by G. W. Gale, of Ypsilanti, dropped dead on the track at Windsor, Ont.

The Eighth Michigan cavalry will hold its twenty-third annual reunion in Representative hall, Lansing, September 27 and 28.

Roscoe V. Calvin was drowned Sunday in Black lake near Holland. He was in a boat with three companions when it capsized.

Sir Henry Tyler, of England, will soon make a tour through Michigan to inspect the Grand Trunk railroad, of which he is president.

J. H. Cleveland, a Van Buren veteran, rode from the Indianapolis encampment to Paw Paw on his bicycle in three days. The distance is 250 miles.

At the religious parliament in Chicago Mrs. Eliza R. Sunderland, Ph. D., of Ann Arbor, presented a paper on "The Importance of a Serious Study of All Religions."

W. S. Wilcox, president of the Adrian State savings bank, ex-mayor of the city, former state senator and member of the state prison board, died at Adrian. His age was 75 years.

Lansing schools are in an overcrowded condition. In fact, says the Republican, standing room is at a premium in some of the buildings. In the high school room, with seats for 293 pupils, the number enrolled is 325.

Harry T. Williams, a deserter from the regular army captured at Detroit and who was being taken to Fort Sheridan by Segr. Joseph Schuster and two guards, jumped from the train while passing through Niles at an early hour Saturday morning and escaped.

THE MACCABEES.

Proceedings at the Great Camp Held in Grand Rapids.

GRAND RAPIDS, Sept. 16.—The annual grand camp of the K. O. T. M. of Michigan, in session here during the week, was an unqualified success. Reports of officers showed the order to be in a most flourishing condition in this state, the membership in Michigan being greater than the combined membership of the next five largest beneficiary societies in the state. During the year past the membership has increased 11,050. During the year there were 233 warrants drawn on the endowment fund, aggregating \$340,761. There are now 835 subordinate bodies in the state, with a membership of 53,173. The outstanding death benefits amount to \$70,000,000.

The total membership of knights and ladies of the Maccabees in the country is 128,783, a net increase of 37,310. Disability claims of \$66,383 have been paid since organization, and death claims aggregating \$3,425,510. There are 14,000 members in good standing of the ladies of the order of the Maccabees in Michigan.

Officers were elected on Thursday as follows: Commander, D. D. Aitken, Flint; lieutenant commander, Thomas Watson, Rosecommon; record keeper, Robert J. Whaley, Flint; medical examiner, E. B. Tibbals, Flint; chaplain, Henry M. Carey, Manistee. The lady Maccabees elected the following officers: Commander, Mrs. Lillian Hollister, Detroit; lieutenant commander, Miss Bina West, Port Huron; record keeper, Miss Emma L. Bower, Ann Arbor.

The last session was held on Friday, and it was decided to meet in Lansing next year. The most important business transacted was the consideration of an amendment to the laws. Hereafter no liquors of any kind will be sold or allowed to be sold at any ball or entertainment given by the order.

At the Maccabees prize drill the Grand Rapids division won first prize, a \$900 cup; Detroit, second, silk banner; Saginaw, third, \$50 in money.

Eight Years for Assault.

ST. IGNACE, Sept. 17.—William Badgley, the Fort Mackinac soldier, has been found guilty of criminal assault upon Lillian Sautler, a Mackinac island waitress, who committed suicide rather than face disgrace. He was sentenced to eight years at hard labor.

Fire at Marquette.

MARQUETTE, Sept. 17.—The furniture house of Hager Brothers was completely destroyed by fire Saturday. Two adjoining shops were also burned. Total loss, \$25,000.

Twelve Buildings Burned.

MANISTIQUE, Sept. 16.—Fire Friday night destroyed twelve business houses and three dwellings, entailing a loss of \$150,000, insured for about one-quarter of that sum.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Fifty-Third Congress in Extraordinary Session.

Measures of Importance Being Considered in the Senate and House—A Summary of the Daily Proceedings.

THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—A bill for a bimetallic money system was introduced in the senate yesterday. A resolution for a committee of inquiry as to senators owning stock in national banks and the silver bill were discussed.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The time in the senate yesterday was occupied by Mr. Daniel (W. Va.) in a speech against the passage of the repeal bill. Mr. Faulkner (W. Va.) offered an amendment to the repeal act which provides for the coinage of silver dollars (not less than 3,000,000 a month) at the ratio of 16 to 1, coinage to cease when the aggregate of \$800,000,000 is reached.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The day in the senate yesterday was occupied by the advocates of the repeal of the Sherman law. Senator Cullom presented a petition from ex-soldiers of Illinois asking protection from government detectives traveling in disguise who visit the homes of pensioners and deceitfully seek to find some clue to furnish information to the pension office to deprive veterans of their pensions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—In the senate on Saturday a resolution was introduced for legislation to punish persons guilty of robbery and murder committed on interstate railway trains. Senator Allison (Ia.) spoke in favor of repeal of the silver purchasing clause of the Sherman law.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The resolution introduced in the senate directing the committee on interstate commerce to investigate the recent train robberies was discussed yesterday, but no action was taken. Senator Stewart (Nev.) submitted an amendment to the silver repeal bill authorizing the president to invite the governments of Mexico, Central and South America, Hayti and San Domingo to join the United States in a conference to be held in Washington to secure the adoption of a common silver coin.

THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Bills were introduced in the house yesterday to strike from the rolls the names of all pensioners in receipt of an income of \$500 a year or possessed of property valued at \$5,000; fixing the pension for loss of entire leg or arm at \$50 a month; for loss of leg or arm above knee or elbow joint at \$35 a month; for loss of hand or foot at \$50 a month, and providing that the pensions of all pensioners who are inmates of the soldiers' homes shall cease so long as they remain inmates of such homes.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—In the house yesterday bills were introduced to annex the territory of Utah to the state of Nevada, to pension all letter carriers after twenty-five years of service and on reaching the age of fifty years, to abolish the tobacco tax, and to reduce the duty on barley from thirty to ten cents a bushel, on malt to twenty-five cents, and on hops to eight cents a pound.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—In the house yesterday an effort to report the Tucker bill to repeal the federal election laws was defeated by the republicans and administration democrats.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The time was passed in the house yesterday in correcting the journal and in delivering eulogies upon the late J. Logan Chipman, of Detroit, Mich.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—In the house on Saturday a resolution was introduced directing the committee on interstate and foreign commerce to investigate recent train robberies. An attempt to bring up the federal elections repeal bill was defeated by the lack of a quorum.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—In the house a bill proposing the payment in full of pensions growing out of the late war was introduced yesterday by Mr. Hudson of Kansas. It provides that any pensioner may surrender his certificate and receive in full payment of all claims against the government on account thereof, ten times the annual payment thereon. This act shall not apply to the obligations of the government toward minor children of deceased soldiers nor on the pension rolls.

ASKS FOR STATEHOOD.

Gov. Hughes, of Arizona, Makes a Plea for Admission as a State.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—L. C. Hughes, governor of Arizona, has made his annual report, from which the following is extracted:

During the year the condition of the territory has been one of average prosperity. The shrinkage in the value of silver has resulted in the closing of almost all the silver mines, so that the output during the year was less than \$20,000,000, as against \$27,835,000 in 1891. The depression in the price of silver has stimulated prospecting and mining for gold, with such good results as will, it is predicted, place the territory among the leading gold-producing regions of the union. The population is 68,000. The assessed valuation of the territory in 1892 was \$28,688,132, against \$27,923,162 in 1892. The total bonded debt of the territory, including the county debts, is given as \$2,996,000. The governor makes a strong plea for the admission of Arizona into the union as a state.

Mrs. Blaine Goes to Paris.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Mrs. Blaine, widow of James G. Blaine, and her daughter, Miss Hattie Blaine, who are accompanied by the daughter of Senator Don Cameron, left Bridge ea route to Paris. The party spent the summer in Bridge.

Swept by Fire.

PATERSON, O., Sept. 18.—The flouring mill here caught fire yesterday and before the flames could be checked over a third of the town was destroyed.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Steady Improvement Shown and the Money Stringency About Over.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"Returns from every part of the country show decided improvement. Hopeful feeling has prevailed. Money grows abundant at speculative centers and somewhat easier for commercial purposes. Weekly failures have declined about half in number and more than half in amount of liabilities. The number of establishments reported as resuming work, thirty-one wholly and twenty-six in part, still exceeds the number closing, thirty-three the last week besides ten reducing force, so that the number of hands employed has somewhat increased. The number of unemployed is still very large.

"Industrial improvement is largely in cotton, and otherwise appears scarcely more satisfactory than last week. About two-thirds of the Fall river mills are operating, but at a reduction of 10 to 15 per cent in wages. Of the establishments resuming eleven are engaged in the manufacture of knit goods. Of the woolen mills ten stopped wholly and six in part, while three woolen and two carpet mills resumed. Several shoe factories have started up in part. Shipments from Boston for the week show a decrease of 40 per cent.

"In all, eighteen reported metal works have started up in part, and six wholly, while thirteen have stopped and fourteen have reduced hands or wages. Sales of gray forgings for \$7 at Birmingham and of steel billets for \$19.50 at Pittsburgh support the statement that resumption of work in many cases is at the expense of a great sacrifice in price. But in this industry business revives more vigorously at the west than at the east.

"The liabilities of firms failing have greatly diminished, for they were over \$102,794,314 in only two months, July and August, whereas the largest aggregate ever known for any three months during the last sixteen years was less than \$90,000,000. But for the first week in September nearly complete returns show liabilities amounting to only \$5,118,555 for the week, against an average exceeding \$11,000,000 weekly in the two previous months. The failures reported this week have been in the United States 314, against 321 for the previous week and 184 last year, and in Canada 27, against 24 last year.

FREDERICK L. AMES DEAD.

The Boston Millionaire Expires in His State-room on the Pilgrim.

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Frederick L. Ames, vice president of the Old Colony railroad, and a millionaire, was found dead in a state-room of the steamer Pilgrim, soon after their arrival at the pier. Mr. Ames lived in Boston, and he left there Tuesday evening for this city, it being his intention to attend a meeting of the Union Pacific railway directors in this city Wednesday.

Deputy Coroner Conway, after viewing the remains of Mr. Ames, gave it as his opinion that death was due to apoplexy. Dr. Conway judged that Mr. Ames was stricken about 3 o'clock in the morning and had rolled from his bed to the floor and died in that position. Death must have been nearly instantaneous.

Mr. Ames was one of Boston's wealthiest capitalists and a son of ex-Gov. Oliver Ames. He was born in North Easton, Mass., June 8, 1838. He began a commercial career, and was popularly believed to be worth \$25,000,000. Mr. Ames held immense interests in railroad stocks, and was said to be a director in at least sixty railroads. In Boston alone he was assessed for \$5,000,000 worth of real estate. His family consists of three sons and two daughters. His collection of orchids is the finest in existence and is said to be valued at \$300,000.

LIVED 108 YEARS.

Death at Orland of the First White Woman in Northern Illinois.

ORLAND, Ill., Sept. 18.—Mrs. Eli Hall-lowell died Saturday afternoon and was buried in the Gwinn graveyard Sunday. Mrs. Hallowell was 108 years old and was the first white woman to emigrate to this section of the state. She was born in the state of Pennsylvania October 12, 1785, and was married fifteen years later to William Johnson, who was a soldier in the war of 1812. She lived in Washington when the British burned the capital. Her son, Cote Johnson, was a noted politician in Pennsylvania. She was married to Eli Hallowell, who survives her, a few hours after the death of her first husband, and with him came to this section of Illinois in 1824.

All's Great Performance.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Allix won the ninth and deciding heat in the Columbian exposition \$15,000 free-for-all at Washington park Saturday, trotting the last heat in 2:09 1/2. The performance makes the mare the winner of the most remarkable race in trotting turf history; the winner of the fastest heat ever trotted in a race (2:07 1/2) and the winner of the fastest ninth heat ever trotted in a race.

Kansas Farmers Destitute.

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 19.—The governor's office is flooded with appeals for aid from destitute farmers of western Kansas. They say they must have help or starvation will follow.



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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

Vergennes Visitor.
Mrs John Krum is in Grand Rapids, visiting friends.
D. Krum, of Grand Rapids, called on his wife and parents recently.
Mrs E. L. Bennett was in the Rapids part of last week visiting friends.
Geo. Krum and Miss Jessie Epley attended the fair in Grand Rapids, Thursday.
Earl Nash and Miss Emma Engels went to the fair at Gd. Rapids, last week.
Lewis Hodges, of Gd. Rapids, has been visiting his uncle, Fred Hodges and family.
Mrs Beaty and two children, of Newaygo Co., are visiting with Mrs O. O. Adams.
D. S. Blanding and daughter, Miss Grace, went to Gd. Rapids, Thursday, to the fair.
Mrs Chas. Blanding, of Coral, and Mrs C. Coates, of Lowell, Sundayed at D. S. Blanding's.
Mr and Mrs Jim Buttermore, of near Muir, are visiting Jim's sister, Mrs Wm. Collins and family.
Mr and Mrs O'Harrow and Mr and Mrs Frank O'Harrow, of So. Lowell, Sundayed at Dell Krum's.
John and George Krum and their best girls have been visiting Mr and Mrs Nathan Blair, of So. Lowell.
We have had a gentle rain and it has done a world of good. Some of the farmers have sown their wheat.
The Gott brothers, Charlie and Hiram, are busy threshing beans. They have only a little more wheat to thresh.
Hiram Frazier and Miss Mary Ritter went to Gd. Rapids, with the rest of the crowd to see the sights of the fair.
Charlie Merriman, of Grand Rapids, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr and Mrs W. I. Merriman.
Porter Mieser, of Muskegon, has sold one of his farms here to a Mr James. We have not learned where Mr J. is from or what he paid for the farm.
Last Friday Mrs Irvin Batchelor gave a lawn picnic in honor of her son, Joe, and niece, Miss May Batchelor, birthday. She invited the school and teacher.
Mr and Mrs Frank Batchelor and daughters, Francis and May, of Portland, Oregon, also Miss Lylie Batchelor and brother, Fred, of Plainwell, and Mr and Mrs Ed Bunker, of Alto, visited at Irvin Batchelor's, last week.
The Noss Jollities are the leading pioneers of Musical Comedy, and the only company traveling introducing a quintette of Saxophones.

Lowell Fair Dates Oct. 3, 4, 5, & 6th.

Alton.
Earl Brown is on the sick list.
Mrs Ernest Go Grey is on the sick list.
Miss Labbie Ford is visiting with Alton friends this week.
Mrs Pentler returned to her home in Stanton, Sunday.
Mrs Eliza Covert fell from a ladder and sprained her ankle.
Mr and Mrs M. McAndrews have gone to the White City.
Ed Houlihan attended the fair at Gd. Rapids, one day last week.
Will Degraw and wife, of Belding, visited his mother, Sunday.
David Clawson has returned from a four weeks visit at Albion.
A party of 60 left Otisco to visit the White City, Michigan Day.
Henry McCabe is visiting his sister, Mrs Elsie Purdy, this week.
Mrs Byrnes and daughter returned from their visit at Lake City.
Mr and Mrs B. Tower and two children visited with Otis White, Sunday.
Master Eddie Tower, of Otisco, went to visit the White City last week.
Mr and Mrs Chas. Wilson attended the Fair at Gd. Rapids, last week.
Wm. Rexford and wife, of Fallsburg, visited at David Condon's, Sunday.
Mrs Geo. W. White returned from a two months visit at Milwaukee, last week.
E. Culver, of Belding, visited with his cousins, Mr and Mrs J. D. Frost, Sunday.
A. M. Andrews, of So. Boston, was at his brother's, John Andrews', last week, on business.
Mrs John Purdy, of Smyrna, visited her sister, Mrs Jas. H. Andrews, Friday of last week.
The first frost of the season Sunday morning, doing no serious damage in this vicinity.
Richard Huckleberry purchased a two year old colt of Chas. Wilson, last week, weight 1195 lb.
Mr and Mrs Willis Purdy visited her father and mother, F. A. Guile and wife, at Belding, Saturday.
Mrs Jas. Delaney, of Harrison, is visiting his mother and brother, of Alton, and other relatives in Bowne.
Mr and Mrs Williams, of Williamsburg, is visiting her father, C. T. Scofield, and other relatives here.
Mrs Owen McGee fell down stairs while at the wedding, last week, breaking her shoulder. She is doing well.
We hope to hear a general response in favor of all coming to the picnic on the 30th. We will come if our ruling power and weather permit us.

Dr. A. Ford attended the grange here, Saturday, and Sundayed with his old neighbors, Pat Houlihan and family.
Mrs Eugene White, of Parnell, and Mrs Geo. Barnes, of Grattan, made Alton friends a pleasant call, Sunday.
A splendid line of samples to select from at Smith's.
Fallsburg Facts.
James Stanton is building an addition to his house.
Maude Condon, of Alton, is visiting Mrs Wm. Rexford.
Wm. Rexford and wife Sundayed at Ed Condon's, near Smyrna.
Mrs Ed Sayles, of Grand Rapids, is visiting relatives in this vicinity.
Miss Cora Burras, of West Lowell, visited Miss Elsie Richmond Sunday.
Mr and Mrs Frank Sherrard will attend the fair at Grand Rapids this week.
Mrs Fred Aldrich, of Bowne, was the guest of Mrs M. C. Denny a part of last week.
Mrs Richardson is spending a few days with her son, Frank Aldrich, of Lake Odessa.
Mrs A. G. Read is staying at Asa Woods, of Grattan, while Mrs Wood is in Chicago.
Mr Nafziger and daughter, Mrs Bert Richmond, attended conference at Freeport last week.
M. T. Weeks and wife, G. Onan and wife and Fred Rogers and wife spent Sunday at Murrays lake.
While moving his goods to Lowell Bert Hoag lost a large black umbrella and would like the finder to leave it at Giles' grocery.
Rev. Eden Lyon and wife have moved to Entrican, where he was appointed by the conference. Their many friends regret their departure. Rev. A. H. Raven filled his appointments here Sunday, but has not yet taken up his residence here.
Bowne.
Robbie Nash, of Elburn, Ill., is visiting relatives and friends here.
Vernor Nash departed for Dakota, Tuesday, on a four weeks visit.
Mrs W. M. Perkins entertained a brother, from Jackson, last week.
Mrs Wm. Worden, of Lowell, is visiting relatives and friends at this place.
Mrs Wm. Lee and daughter, Lottie, visited last week with Mrs Riley King, of Elmdale.
Miss May Aldrich spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids, buying books for the township library.
Mrs Ozi Pardee and Katie Johnson visited with J. G. Blakeslee at Grand Rapids, last week.
Grace Aldrich has resigned her position in Charlotte and is now teaching school in Grand Rapids.
Mrs Jasper Johnson and daughter, Glennie, of Ohio, are visiting relatives and friends at this place.
Rev. Spencer has ceased to preach at this place and has gone to Sunfield on his farm. Rev. Wesbrook will take his place here.
Don't fail to see The Noss Jollities in "A Quick Match." It is one of the brightest and most sparkling musical comedies. It is immensely funny. It is positively original and is novel in conception.
South Boston.
The late rain is very much appreciated. Farmers are rushing wheat seeding.
E. F. Cilley is exhibiting sheep at the Gd. Rapids Fair this week.
Mr and Mrs John Scott were at Mr and Mrs Frank Morton's the first of the week.
Joel Gilbert who lived here with James Barnum so long, but now of Kalkaska is making his relatives and friends here a short visit.
We shan't ask our neighbors to send in anything different on account of the picnic, but will try and be there if we get over the Ionia Fair all right.
Mrs I. S. Clough (nee Mary C. Acker) who lived with D. W. English and wife more than twenty years, but now lives in Berry Co. is visiting her old friends here a few weeks.

Morse Lake.
Mr Keich and wife and Mr Hammond and wife from the town of Spencer are visiting Albert Clark's people.
The new pastor Rev. Wesbrook did not arrive last Sunday, so there was no preaching at Morse Lake. There was a good attendance at Sunday School.
Mrs Wm. Miller has exchanged her farm for Gd. Rapids property and moved to Gd. Rapids, Saturday. Mrs Miller has resided on that farm continuously for thirty-nine years. She and her husband moving on it when they were each 21 years of age. It seems hard to break up old associations after so long a residence in one place and form new acquaintances. She departs with the love, good wishes and respect of all who know her. There are few in this vicinity who have lived so long on the same farm but the father of this correspondent has resided continuously on the farm he settled on near Milwaukee in 1848, over fifty years ago.
W. J. Ecker & Son, make and have a full stock of wooden cavetroughs.
Chapel.
A nice rain has revived the vegetation a little.
The new Wesleyan minister has arrived at the parsonage.
Sept 9th there were 64 teams crossed the ferry. 10c. a piece.
A Sabbath school picnic was held at Reed's Lake, on Saturday.
Mrs V. R. Smith has been in very poor health for some time, but is better at present.
Rev. H. C. Hurlbut, of Howard City, preached at the Cong'l church, Sept. 17, forenoon and evening.
E. A. Smith is home from Detroit, but will return in a few days to stay through the peach season.
Mrs W. Russel, of Middleville, and Mrs A. Hradley, of Gd. Rapids, are visiting their sister, Mrs Turner.
The grave yard assn. have decided to build a new fence around the cemetery, also to purchase a lawn mower to keep the grass and weeds down.
Neal McNaughton was driving a span of colts, when they became frightened and ran away, dragging him and cutting a gash in his side. He is doing well.
Orb Smith writes from Denver, Col., that he is able to take a two mile walk and back again across the prairie before breakfast. He will soon go to Arizona for the winter.
Smith's pants always fit.
H. Nash is the agent for the Bedwell Bean Thresher.
Keene News.
It is good to see the rain.
Charlie Lampkin is still very sick.
The report is, we are to have a wedding in the near future.
Mr and Mrs Jake Mastenbrook were calling on friends here this week.
Mr and Mrs Montigue, of Saranac, spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Tredenick.
Mrs H. Wesbrook and two little daughters spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs Tredenick.
Will Tredenick is fixing the Fallsburg mill dam and repairing the mill. He will soon be ready for grinding.
Mrs Ed. Sayles, of Gd. Rapids and Orin Sayles and family, of Vergennes, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr and Mrs Chas. Sayles.
Mrs Orin Beach, of Grattan spent last Wednesday with her parents Mr and Mrs Tredenick and took home a nice bushel of peaches.
PANSIE.
H. Nash is the agent for the Bedwell Bean Thresher.
Some stunning suits at Smith's.
Alto.
Dr. Hunter is troubled with an inflamed eye and is obliged to have it bandaged.
We are informed that Ben Hicks who used to reside here, has been sent to Jackson for eight years.
So. Lowell grange at its meeting last Thursday evening, elected delegates to the county convention.

Town Line Tidings.
A very nice shower Monday night, Mrs D. Cole, of Ada, visited Mrs Wm Smith last week.
We hope the Cor. will all be ready for that picnic dinner the 30th.
Miss Rhoda Wesbrook Sundayed with her aunt, Mrs Murray, of Lowell.
Clinton Snow and wife Sundayed with Mrs Geo. Murray, of Lowell.
Mrs Shilton and daughter Ethel, of Ada, visited with Mrs Martin Schneider last Friday.
Mrs H. Wesbrook and little girls Sundayed with old time friends in Keene and Fallsburg.
Miss Isadore Reynolds was taken quite unawares by a house full of young people Friday night.
Mrs Levi Burras returned home Wednesday, from northern Michigan, where she has been caring for her sick daughter Mrs Addie Elliot.
CLAY.
Prices way down on school supplies at D. G. Look's.
Parnell Points.
Charlie Doyle has returned from the White City.
The much needed rain has come at last, Farmers are busy sowing wheat.
Mrs Owen McGee had the misfortune to break her arm and sprain her ankle Tuesday 12th by falling down stairs at Mrs Delaney's. She went to remove her wraps, made a mistep with the above result. She is doing nicely.
Seven gentlemen from Gd. Rapids are camping on Crooked lake. Sunday one of them went for a row, and when a short distance from shore his gun was accidentally discharged fracturing his arm in a frightful manner. He was taken to the Dr's office and made as comfortable as possible. He begged to be taken home and in the afternoon, he was taken on a bed in an easy carriage by H. Laughlin to the U. B. A. home while on the way the wound bled profusely. He was unconscious when they reached their destination. His recovery is very doubtful. He was in the employ of Berkey & Gay.
Ada.
Mrs Moundell has been dangerously ill for the last week.
Mr McNaughton our Path Master will soon start for California for his health.
I should like very much to be present at the picnic. Thanks for the invitation.
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Mrs Ed. Chaffee has gone to New York where she will visit friends for some time.
Mr Riggs and daughter, Altha, and Miss Nettie Nairacoon are at Chicago visiting the fair.
Martin Smith, bridge foreman for the D. G. H. & M. R. R. and his seven men are here repairing the bridges.
East Ada.
Mrs Fred Simpson has typhoid fever.
Fred Wunsch attended the fair, Thursday.
Ida Wood is visiting in the Valley City.
The Dolloway children do not improve very fast.
Chas. and Florence Frazier and Chas. Batey Sundayed with Mrs Buttrick.
Mr and Mrs Joe Sillaway took in the fair at Gd. Rapids, the 12th and 13th.
Mrs A. R. Buck, of Lowell, and cousins, Mrs J. Tilden, of Detroit, and Mrs H. Cornell, of Highland, were visiting at S. Wunch's, Friday.
Visitors, this week, at John Simpson's are Mr and Mrs Martin Simpson, of Ionia, Mrs Shronder, of Denver, Col., and Mrs White, of So. Lowell.
DICK.
A. P. Burr is away to the fair this week.
Mrs Lusk is helping the Morse Lake coor. to harvest his cranberry crop this week.
E. L. Grant has returned from his visit in the eastern part of the state and is attending to R. R. affairs again.
Lott Bros. have their place of business labeled and if any one can read they will not have any trouble to find them.
J. Keatusky has given the officers from Saranac a lively chase during the past week, but the officers gathered him in on Saturday.
East Lowell.
Mrs Keifer is no better.
We will meet you on the Island Sept. 30th, if the weather isn't too freezy.
It has been quite smoky here for the past few days owing to Elmdale fires.
A goodly number of the farmers have sown their wheat regardless of the dry weather.
Elder Mange will not preach here again. Mr Martin, of Lowell will take his place.
Rev. F., Mrs Crowell and little daughter, Ethel were the guests of Mr and Mrs J. N. Hubbel, last Tuesday.

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