

DICKINSON COUNTY HISTORY – BREITUNG TOWNSHIP – QUINNESEC

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Early Accounts and Growth

History of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan Containing a Full Account of Its Early Settlement; Its Growth, Development and Resources; An Extended Description of Its Iron and Copper Mines: Also Accurate Sketches of the Counties, Cities, Towns and Villages, Their Improvements, Industries, Manufactories; Biographical Sketches, Portraits of Prominent Men and Early Settlers; Views of County Seats, Etc., Chicago, Illinois: The Western Historical Company, A.T. Andreas, Proprietor, 1883, page 497

QUINNESEC.

Quinnesec is the oldest town on the Menominee Range and was laid out by John L. [Lane] Buell in 1877. Mr. Buel [sic – Buell] was a strong believer in the future prosperity of the range, and while it was still a wilderness, came here and cleared a portion of the town site and erected the first buildings, among others the Quinnesec House. For some time after the village was inaugurated, Mr. Buell was unable to find any one [sic – anyone] bold enough to cast their fortunes in it, and for a time it looked as if the new town must die alone. But after the valuable qualities of the iron deposits had been established and the advent of the railroad had been promised, the town grew up at once, and was for a long time one of the most successful business points during its lift as the terminus of the line. After the mines of the range began to develop and the line was extended, Quinnesec began to lose some of its resources, and a relax in business life was the natural result. To-day [sic – Today] it presents the appearance of a good, solid little business town with limited resources. Though unable to

manifest the vigor and life of its pioneer days, it seems to pursue the even tenor of its way, and carry on a thriving trade. In the event of new iron discoveries, which is almost a foregone conclusion, the village will receive new resources and increase in wealth and population. The town is well laid out; has a good public hall, three church buildings – Swedish Lutheran, Swedish Methodist and Catholic.

The Escanaba Tribune, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume VIII, Number 37 [Saturday, August 18, 1877], page 3, column 3

The probability now is, that the **Menominee Range Railroad** will be extended twenty miles further west. The deposits of iron seem to be full as good on the other side of the Menominee river, as on this, and in the case of the **Commonwealth mine**, it is supposed to be better.

A singular fact is noticeable along the line of the **C. & N.W. R'y.** Where the original pine, cedar and hemlock forest has been burned off, the ground is now covered with a dense growth of poplar. The question is, where does the seed come from? If this transformation of the pine districts keep [sic] on, it will not be long before an evergreen tree will become a rarity in sections that was [sic] previously covered with them. In our own locality, tracts of burnt pine lands are growing up with oak, poplar, and similar trees.

It is proposed to call the new paper to be started at Quinnesec, "The Iron Center." That name will be very appropriate, as the town will be about in the center of the iron ranges, on both sides of the river. Should everything prove as favorable as is anticipated on the range, **Quinnesec** must from its proximity to the magnificent water powers close by,

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make in the future a manufacturing town of importance. The diversified natural resources in the vicinity will induce the establishment of manufactories other than iron.

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

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 [sic – Badwater]**, 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.**

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QUINNESEC.

Is putting in its best licks for the honor of being the first city in the **Menominee Iron Range**. Although the reporter of this institution has made numerous pilgrimages into that locality of late, yet he has without the aid of a field glass observed numerous improvements every time. **The residence of the Hon. John L. Buell**, on the eminence just as you enter town[,] is approaching completion. **Wendel**, of the **Quinnesec Hotel**[,] is not behind in fresh attractions. He has secured at a great

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expense a brand **new barber**, and has him safely penned up in one corner of the **billiard room**. A small admission fee is charged to view the acquisition. His **bar** is also adorned with a **newly coined tender**, who was imported directly from Sweden. Still further improvements are in contemplation. **John McKenna**, in the plate glass fronted structure, across the way has lately put in one of the finest **pool tables** in the country. It is supported by four lions who have been trained so that they are perfectly peaceable to strangers. He has also got hold of a **barber**, but has not got him caged up yet and lets him run round loose. The **mining company's store** is fast approaching completion and will soon be filled with molasses, dry goods, codfish, perfumery, pork, flour and other fancy articles: *[sic]* **Wright, Bros. & Co.** are doing a smashing business in the line of **general merchandise**, and are still trying to serve the Lord and the **post-office department** to the best of their knowledge and belief, so help them Bob. **Newberry & Jenkins** are still slashing up the **sirloin roasts and venison steaks** at a great rate. If business keeps on in this way with them they will soon have to put up an appendix with a cupola on top. **Tim Macnamara's hotel – the Central** – is doing finely, and internal improvements are going on in the neighborhood of its insides. Tim's **barber** has'nt *[sic – hasn't]* arrived yet, but when he comes he will be a nice one. **A. Surprise**, nearly opposite, is doing a surprising good business with a **billiard table** and all the necessary trimmings to go with it. **Maurice McKenna** has been improving his store very much of late and in addition to **pills and plasters**, has fitted up one side for **groceries** and other good things to eat. Maurice is bound to do well, and if he keeps on improving in good looks, will soon be able to get married and retire on a competency. **Hugh McLaughlin's**

headquarters we believe are at the **Quinnesec Hotel**. – To his fatiguing *[sic – fatiguing]* duties as **township clerk** he has added that of **insurance agent**, and is prepared to insure anything from a store or dwelling to a lightning rod peddler. His policies will cover all the mishaps and accidents of life – fire, brimstone, cholera, mad dogs and book agents. The **Hon. John L. B. [John Lane Buell]** is full of business as usual, and if **Quinnesec** is not a first-class suburban, hay fever retreat, it will not be his fault. Everybody else is well and happy.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 16 [Saturday, March 22, 1879], page 3, column 3

HON. JOHN L.[.] BUELL, of **Quinnesec[.]** is starting a newspaper in his thriving young town, under the management of **Mr. PENBERTHY**, formerly of the **Menominee Herald**. The name of the new paper will be the **Menominee Range**. It will be independent in politics and luke warm in religious matter. The **IRON PORT** wishes it all the success imanineable *[sic - imaginable]* and hopes that it may amass stocks o' wealth, as big as the hills, which surround the charming village.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 19 [Saturday, April 19, 1879], page 3, column 3

AN express line was established last Wednesday, along the **Menominee River rail way**, by **WILL DALIBA**, general agent for the **American Express company**.

MR. HOMER HUFF has now the **Quinnesec Hotel** under his management and this popular house is kept full and

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running over. **Mr. WENDELL**[,] the proprietor[,], is turning his attention to outside operations.

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MESSRS. HARTEAU & BEBEAU of this place have determined to open a **dry goods store at Quinnesec** and for that purpose have already purchased the vacant lot on the main street, next to **WRIGHT BROS**[,] & Co., and will immediately commence the erection of a building. They design to carry a heavy and complete stock of goods.

IT has been reported that the parties interested in projecting the building of a narrow gauge railroad along the **intermediate iron range to Escanaba** cannot get the right-of-way to our water front and consequently would have to seek some other outlet. This is not the case, and the **IRON PORT** is authorized to state, that on the contrary, every facility in that connection will be extended to them. [NOTE: *The "intermediate iron range" is the Felch Mountain Range.*]

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LAST Tuesday night a **burglar** broke a window in the **Quinnesec Hotel at Quinnesec** and stole a valise from the office belonging to **ED. GIRZIKOWSKY**[,] of Ishpeming[,], containing watches, jewelry, silverware &c. A young man of the name of **KELLER** was subsequently arrested at **Green Bay** as the supposed thief.

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[Saturday, May 10, 1879], page 3, column 3

Severe Accident.

T.S. FORT, a well known [*sic – well-known*] citizen of this place, who removed to **Quinnesec** a few weeks ago, met with the misfortune of **breaking his leg**. It appears that he was building a scaffolding, last Friday, on the outside of **Maurice McKenna's drug store** and while in the act of raising a heavy green board to the staging above him, the one on which he was standing gave way and he was precipitated to the ground, a distance of about 15 feet. The board fell at the same time and the end struck him in the leg, below the knee, fracturing both bones in such a shape that they protruded through the flesh. The **surgeon of the Menominee River Mining Co., Dr. McLEOD**, reduced the fracture and he appears to be getting along as well as could be expected. We understand that he is in straightened circumstances, and it is a case where the assistance of the charitable would not be misplaced.

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QUINNESEC ITEMS.

MR. FELCH is building a **dwelling house on Pine Street**.

MR. BUELL has been absent during the week in Chicago.

MR. OLESON has got a **new two-story dwelling house** almost finished.

JOHN McKENNA seems to have his hands full, with his **new mine** [*The McKenna Mine became the Keel Ridge Mine.*], and his other business.

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MR. A.R. HARLOW of **Marquette** and **ROBERT NELSON** of **Ishpeming** visited the **Menominee River Range** on Tuesday last.

Flurries [*sic – Flurries*] of the "beautiful" were distinctly seen along the **Menominee River range** last Monday, and flowers were in bloom at the same time.

NEWBERRY & JENKINS are doing a fine business in the **meat line** and have all they can attend to and are now giving the citizens **beef from fresh slaughtered cattle**.

The **Quinnesec Hotel** is as usual crowded with guests and **Mr. C.L. WENDEL**, the host, sometimes has his ingenuity taxed to the utmost, to supply accommodations for all.

WRIGHT BROS. & Co[.], are prospering in worldly goods, which is evidenced by the large improvements on their store, and their increased stock, which made the enlargement necessary.

Our old friend **TIMOTHY MACNAMARA[.]** proprietor of the **Central Hotel**, has got the building in first-class shape and it presents a fine appearance and judging from his good natured looks, business must be well with him.

The town is lively with the hum of business and the sound of the hammer and the saw is heard from early morn to dewy eve and at the rate that new buildings are going up and people coming in, **Quinnesec** will have a population of a thousand in a short time.

PATRICK McKENNA is commencing to **build a store** on the main street, second lot south from his **brother's drug store**. The building will be 24X50 feet on the ground and two stories high. The lower part is intended for a hardware store and the upper portion for a dwelling.

JOSEPH PECARD[.] of **Menominee**, the **owner of the Quinnesec Hotel**, was in town during the week. Joe looks as young

as ever and seemed as though the world went well with him. We understand he **offers the Quinnesec Hotel building for sale**, which is a very desirable property.

WRIGHT BROS. & Co., are **building a new addition to their store**, two stories high. It is 22X85 feet on the ground. As soon as they can shift their goods a little into the new part they will raise the present store another story, which when completed will give them a commodious store 75 feet in length, with a ware- room at the back.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

MR. THOMAS HAY and family have **moved to the Norway Mine near Quinnesec**.

DR. J.S. NORTH, of this place[.] removed to **Quinnesec** on Wednesday last. **He will practice medicine in company with Dr. J.A. McLEOD of Vulcan**. The citizens of the Range have reason to congratulate themselves that they have two such good physicians and surgeons as doctors **McLeod** and **North**. **Dr[.] North** will be located at the chief town of the range and both will attend to any and all calls promptly and satisfactorily. The Iron Port wishes the two gentlemen success.

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HARTEAU & BEBEAU of the one price establishment are receiving the reward of merit this spring in the large quantity of goods that they are selling. Their business

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has increased so, that they are forced to open a **branch store at Quinnesec**.

ROSE[,] the **artist [photographer]**, has got a brother and that brother has come here and the firm name is now **Rose Bros.**, and furthermore they have got a tent and one of them proposes to travel around the country and take the likeness of every thing [*sic – everything*] animate and inanimate at moderate prices and in the very first style of the art. The objective place now is **Quinnesec** and the **IRON PORT** would advise the Quinnesecers to interview him. Headquarters will be here.

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QUINNESEC.

Towards the shank of last week our reporter made a run to the future metropolis of the **Menominee river range – Quinnesec**. Everything in and around the town showed a fair business activity.

Building still continues to be lively. **Patrick McKenna's building** is almost as far as it was before the unfortunate blow-down. **Edward Smythe**, the **contractor**, keeps it securely braced as the work progresses, all ready for any more little frisky zephyrs which may take a notion to happen along that way.

Harteau & Bebeau's new store was almost completed, and their large general stock was fast arriving to fill it. **Samuel and John** looked as happy as two clams in one shell and were as busy as a horse's tail in fly time. They have got a handsome store, and no mistake. **Wright Bros. & Co.** were just putting the finishing touches on their mammoth building, and were gradually filling it up, from cellar to garret, with every thing [*sic – everything*], from eatables to dry

goods. It is well arranged and everything is as neat as a new red wagon. The **postoffice [sic – post office]** in the store has also improved itself, and with its lock boxes looks quite metropolitan. As was before remarked, they keep everything that is generally called for, from saw mills to steamboats.

Jenkins, of the firm of **Newberry & Jenkins**, was **slashing away the beef and pork steak** at the rate of a shilling a pound, and **Newberry** was trying to be sick, but he was going to be around in a day or two, as he could not afford to be sick very long when beef cattle are worth \$4.90 on foot.

Penberthy was off to Menominee buying a saw mill, seeing his girl, or attending to some other important business of that kind.

Buell was off in the woods for his health and was roaming around the romantic borders of **Lake Antoine** and occasionally catching a sucker by way of pastime.

John McKenna was in town on business, and reports the prospects of that **mine** tip top. **Maurice**, his brother, is constantly adding new goods to his already large stock. He says business is first—rate.

A sectional view was had of **Mr. T. Macnamarra [sic – McNamara]**, **landlord of the Central**. We might be afraid to bet against **Tim** being one of the first aldermen of the new city.

Drs. McLeod, North and Fortier were all in town, and still the health of the place was reported to be very fair. No deaths occurred while they were there.

Captain Tobin had just returned from the virgin forest, weighted down with rocks for ballast, which he unloaded on **Wendell's** center table. Among them were some fine looking specimens of hematite ore, found either three feet under the surface or above it. It looked rich anyway. **Wendell** had his good clothes on and was going to

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Menominee. He says the hotel and iron mining business is running nicely.

Rose Bros., the **artists [photographers]**, were enjoying themselves under a canvass tent, and taking first-class pictures at the same time. They will take the falls, the **Quinnesec mine**, and all the other valuable property around. A set of first-class views of scenery in the Menominee region will sell like fire crackers on the 4th of July.

George Barclay and **Hugh McLaughlin** looked as though their **boarding houses** agreed with them.

Mr. Felch is hurrying up his **new building on Quinnesec street** as fast as the Lord and the carpenters will let him.

Surprise's billiard hall is as neat as a pin, and he complains of doing a very satisfactory business.

Omer Huff, the accomodating [*sic* – *accommodating*] **manager of the Quinnesec Hotel**, declares the business is first rate and prospects for the season good.

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We understand **C.L. Wendel** has sold out his furniture stock and fixtures, in the **Quinnesec Hotel** to a man from Marinette.

MR. ED. McKENNA[,] of **Quinnesec**, met with a very severe accident at that place on Tuesday morning. He had been sleeping in his room, in the second story of his brothers [*sic* – *brother's*] house, and it is supposed that he got up in his sleep, about 4 o'clock in the morning, and stepped out of the open window. His cries soon brought the family to his assistance, when it was found that he was severely injured. A

physician was summoned, who ascertained that besides being hurt internally, that some of his ribs were fractured. He finally sank under his injuries and **died last evening**.

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C.L. WENDELL[,] **ESQ.**[,] has purchased a tract of land near the **Norway and Cyclops mines**, which he designs laying out into a town site. [NOTE: *Wendell laid out Norway.*]

IT would seem to an outsider, that the **C. & N.W.R.R. Co.** might afford to foster its passenger trade over the **Menominee River R.R.** to the extent of one coach. The Caboose on the **Quinnesec accommodation** is utterly inadequate to accommodate the travel on the route.

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OUR NEIGHBORS. [Marinette Eagle.]

–A party of men under the charge of **Mr. Dow** are [*sic* – *is*] at work **improving the Menominee river**, at the **Little Quinnesec falls**. **Wing dams** will be built so as to confine the water to a narrow channel, and some rocks, at present a hindrance to log driving, will be blasted out. [Menominee Herald.]

–**Mr. Buell** has decided to **erect a handsome brick building at Quinnesec** a few doors north of the post office, the lower story of which will be used for a **bank**. It will be in charge of a gentleman

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experienced in the business. The upper story will be used for an **Odd Fellows Hall**.

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[Menominee Range.]

–We neglected to mention last week that **Capt. Whitehead**, of the **Vulcan House**, **Vulcan**, was running a 'bus line between **Vulcan and Quinnesec**.

–**Mr. J.L. Buell** has sold the option of a lease of what is known as the **Walpole property** to the **Menominee Mining Co.** for the consideration of \$11,000. The property is said to be one of the most valuable on the range. [NOTE: **The Walpole Mine was located on Pewabic Hill in Iron Mountain.**]

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ROSE, the photographer, has started a branch establishment at Quinnesec.

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[Menominee Range.]

–The **Emmett mine** is shipping about 170 tons of ore per day.

–The **Vulcan mine** is now turning out about 400 tons of ore per day.

–The **Emmett Mining Co.** has taken charge of the **Breen mine** and commenced work there.

–A **bank in Quinnesec!** Only two years old and about to have a bank established. Just think of it.

–**Rumored that D.L. Andrews has struck it big west of the Emmett mine**, and has a vein of good ore over 50 feet in width.

–It is with pleasure and gratification that we are prepared to announce to our readers, and the public generally, that the **Menominee Range** will be enlarged within the next sixty days.

–**Jos. Reilly**, a **conductor on one of the ore trains**, has a **pet owl**, which rides on his caboose a good share of the time. On Thursday last, as the train was passing a woodpile, the owl attempted to drop from the top of the caboose to the guard rail around the platform, but missed his guess, and landed on the side of the railroad. The next morning when the train arrived at that particular spot, the owl, who had been roosting on the wood pile all night, recognized it, and soon occupied his old quarters on the caboose again.

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AN **unknown man**, having the appearance of a laborer, was **found drowned in the Little Cedar river, at Hermansville**, on Tuesday. It is not known how he came to his death, but is supposed that he fell off or through the railroad bridge.

SWAN OLESON was drunk and John Morrison was drunk. Swan Oleson was quiet and sleepy, John Morrison was unquiet and savage. Swan Oleson is short an ear and fragments of cheek and nose which John Morrison bit off and ate. Aall [sic – All] at **Quinnesec** on Sunday.

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THE boarding house and office of O'Callaghan's mill, near Norway, were burned on Wednesday morning. We did not learn how the fire originated. Some of the mill hands lost clothing and small sums of money in the house, and **Mr. O'Callaghan's** loss on buildings and furniture is about \$1,000. No insurance.

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"RANGE" ITEMS.

QUINNESEC, Sept. 24.

[A volunteer correspondent sends us the following items from the Menominee range. Come again, Jeems:]

–**Quinnesec** is improving rapidly. **Hon. J.L. Buell is going to build a large two-story building on a prominent corner of the main street. It will be 50x90 on the ground, divided into two rooms below, one of which will be a store and the other a bank, with a hall overhead. Mr. Buell has offered to give four lots and \$500 to the Catholic church to build an educational institution. The Sisters of Charity** are soliciting additional subscriptions, and are very successful. The first building will be brick, to cost \$4,000 or \$5,000. **The railroad from here west will be commenced this week.** The contract of grading five miles was let to **Mr. Conro**, of the **Menominee Mining Co.** It will open up four or five new mines, and business here will be red-hot while it is building.

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[Menominee Range.]

–The **diamond drill** still keeps at work boring for the **Quinnesec vein**, and has now reached a depth of about 675 feet; are still boring in limestone.

–**Work on the extension of the railroad west of this place commenced Monday.** Men have been arriving for the past few days, and are strung along the line for a distance of two or three miles.

–**Active explorations are in progress on sections 17, 20, 21, 25, 30, 31, 32 and 33, 40-30, sections 17 and 21, 39-28, section 18, 40—31, and section 2, 39-30; and in every case with good prospects.**

–The brute who has been sending **obscene letters through the mail** to a respectable lady of this place should be ham-strung. It is a State prison offense, and we understand that efforts are being made to trace up the offender, who, if he has a name, does not use it. If discovered, he will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

–The **Menominee River Lumber Co.** are [*sic – is*] locating their camps somewhat earlier this year than usual, on account of the long hauls. They are putting in four camps on the **Sturgeon river**, one at **Hay creek**, one at **Hamilton creek**, one at **Quinnesec**, one at **Week's landing**, and three at Chalk hill.

–"We are bound to have order in **Norway**," says **Mr. C.L. Wendel**, "if we have to appoint every business man in town a constable." Let those rowdies and roughs who have been in the habit of raising little h–ail Columbia around the town take warning.

[Menominee Herald.]

–**A house of ill fame was burned at Quinnesec** on Friday night last. The fire was incendiary, and the party who started it

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was arrested and fined \$5 for assault and battery.

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WE made a short visit to "the range" this week, but found little to remark that is not already known to our readers. **Quinnesec** grows, and must grow, as long as Menominee ores are in demand at present prices. The **hotel enlargement** is so far completed as to be in use, the **opera house building** begins to show above ground, **Barclay is in his new stable**, and **a dozen new houses are up and occupied**. Every man, boy and animal is busy, and others are constantly arriving. The **woods are full of explorers**, and all are hopeful and happy. **Norway** makes rapid progress. There are now **three concerns with stocks of general merchandize [sic – merchandise]: Johnston Bros. & Co., Crane & McElroy, and Harteau, Bebeau & Co. (Jas. F. Atkinson in charge); Kimball, drugs; Robinson, hotel; Anderson & Co., hardware and stoves; Hay, restaurant; Krouse, boots and shoes; Miss Vaughn, milliner; Roberts, livery stable; and four or five saloons**. There is plenty of pluck and energy displayed in the little burg, and if it does not overtake **Quinnesec**, in point of population and trade, it will not be for want of trying. **Vulcan** holds its own; but we noticed one thing only of which to make an item, viz: that the present prices of ore had the company to hauling the stock pile from the **No. 1 pit**, in carts, to the branch, for shipment. It is stated, we know not upon what authority, that the shipments of the **Menominee Mining Company** for the season, to date, aggregate over 200,000

tons, which would make the total shipments from the district 250,000 tons, or more.

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[Menominee Range.]

–The **Curry** is expected to ship 30,000 tons next season.

–The **Quinnesec mine is to be lighted by the Brush electric light**, soon.

–The **Cornell mine** looks better with each day's work. It is undoubtedly a big thing.

–The **new town west of this place, near the Chapin mine, is to be called Iron Mountain City**.

–The ore from the **Stephenson mine** has been tested in the **Champion furnace**, and makes No. 1 iron.

–At the **Chapin mine**, **Michael Schendler** and **Martin Clump** quarreled, and **Martin used his knife**, but not with fatal effect.

–The **new hotel at Norway** will undoubtedly change hands this week. Negotiations are now pending looking to such a result.

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THE **winter schedule of the C. & N.W.** goes into effect to-morrow, Sunday. Except that the ore trains are withdrawn, the changes affecting Escanaba are slight. The up passenger is due at 11:29 a.m., the down passenger at 3:30 p.m., the **Quinnesec accommodation** leaves at 7:40 a.m. and arrives at 7:45 p.m. A passenger train is put upon the **M.R.R.R.**,

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which leaves **Quinnesec** at 9:12 a.m. to connect with the up passenger at the junction, and returns, arriving at **Quinnesec** at 11:54 a.m.; leaves again at 3:12 p.m., connects with the down passenger and arrives at **Quinnesec** at 6:02 p.m. The range is well served on the new table.

THE **C. & N.W. Railway Company** has determined upon pushing westward its **Menominee river branch**, so as to open the iron district in Wisconsin, of which the **Commonwealth location** is the best known, if not the central, [sic] point. The contractor now engaged in preparing the road bed for the five mile extension beyond **Quinnesec**, **Mr. Conro**, has undertaken an additional eleven miles, whhic [sic - which] will take the road to the **Commonwealth**. With that district opened up, and the **Felch mountain lands developed**, the product of the **Menominee range** will not fall far short, if it does not finally exceed, that of the **Marquette range**.

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RANGE ITEMS.

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–Side tracks are under way, to reach the **Chapin and Lake Antoine (Cornell) mines**.

...

–One hundred and eighty-three strangers registered at the **Quinnesec hotel** during the week ending Feb. 28.

–The station at **Norway** is to be at the east end of the embankment and to accomodate [sic – accommodate] **Frederickton** and **Ingallsdorf** as well as **Norway**.

...

–The **Menominee mining company** will employ 1,500 or more men during the season of navigation, and expects to ship over 400,000 tons of ore.

–The **marsh between the village of Norway and the railway embankment** will be filled up and built upon. The marsh is shallow and the bottom hard.

...

–The **Menominee mining company** is to build a large boarding house near the **Norway location**, and dig a big well to furnish a supply of water for ordinary use and to extinguish fires should any occur.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–BOTH the **Wisconsin Central and Milwaukee & Western railroads** talk of extensions to reach the range.

...

–**NORWAY**, not to lack anything that **Quinnesec** has, is to have an opera house 50 by 80 feet. The lower floor is to be divided into two business rooms.

...

–A **MINER'S hospital** is to be established somewhere on the range, probably at **Quinnesec**. **Drs. McLeod and North** will be in charge thereof, which is guaranty [sic – guarantee] sufficient for efficiency and good management.

–**COMMUNICATION** by mail with the towns of the **Menominee range** is very slow and uncertain. A passenger may leave **Quinnesec** in the morning and spend five hours in **Escanaba**, and be at home again to supper, but it takes two days to get a letter from that place to this, at the best, and longer yet if anything is out of order. The range

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deserves better treatment at the hands of the postoffice [*sic* – *post office*] department.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–**JOHN O'CALLAGHAN** and **Thos. McKenna** are to build the Norway opera house.

THE steel rails for the M.R. extension have begun to arrive, and will go into position as soon as the weather permits. There will be no avoidable delay in getting the extension ready to handle ore.

OUR Norway neighbor is a trifle touchy. **The announcement that the railway company would put the station at a point where it would serve Ingallsdorf and Frederickton as well as Norway, provokes it to say that such mention is "an insult to every resident of the village, and those editors who are constantly linking the three towns should receive the cold shoulder from every business man here."** Six months ago Norway existed only on paper, and no man can say where the population will be five years hence. It is hardly good form to be so cranky.

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RANGE ITEMS.

EVERY lot on the principal street of the new town of Florence has been sold.

...

THEY have commenced laying the steel on the extension west of **Quinnesec**, but can't do much until the snow and ice goes.

...

AN iron property near the forks of Sturgeon river, a mile and a half from the railroad, has recently been purchased by Chicago parties for \$15,000.

RUMOR says that the railroad company will put up a round-house and shops at Florence, and extend a branch thence northward to the Republic mine.

...

A COLLISION occurred, near Norway, on Tuesday, between the freight, **Manley conductor**, and the switching engine in charge of **John Moore**. A demoralized caboose was the result and the extent of the damage

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RANGE ITEMS.

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TRACK laying on the extension beyond **Quinnesec** commenced this week.

THE NORWAY depot is to be located west of the culvert and fairly opposite the town.

...

DENIS [*sic* – *DENNIS*] **MULLINS** wanted a revolver, and **Anderson's clerk**, in showing him one[,] managed to shoot him with it. **Dennis** bought the pop, and now wants a chance to get even.

...

THE only lively township election in our vicinity was held at Waucedah, and

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the Norway Chronicle gives an incident thereof as follows:

"All I want," said **Mike O'Connell**, as he put his vote in the ballot box, "is law and order." Now this was reasonable enough, and would have been passed over by almost any crowd, but **Jake Hoar**, who was running for clerk on the opposition, would ask **Mike** what kind of law and order there was when he, **Mike**, was constable three or four years ago, during the time when the great sleepy city of **Waucedah** was in its infancy and its town site a deer lick. "An' faith, there was the best of ruling," answered Mike. "I well remember the toime [*sic – time*] that a big spalpeen was raisin' bloody murther [*sic – murder*] down there beyant [*sic – beyond*], and I goes to him and says, exhibiting my star, 'You're me prisoner.' 'And what can you do?' said he to me, 'ye've got no jail.' 'Come and you'll see what I'll do,' says I, and wid [*sic – with*] that I takes him over to a big sthump [*sic – stump*], binds him hand and foot to it and leaves him there over night. 'That's the kind of law and order we had thin [*sic – then*], me boy." Of course, the ticket that **Mike** voted was elected. Efficiency like that described is always appreciated.

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RANGE ITEMS.

QUINNESEC has a cemetery.

...
THE Iron Mountain folks want a postoffice.

...
THE Norway depot has been commenced and will soon be ready for use.

...
THE railway company has put in a turn table at the Norway mine branch.

...
THE arrivals at the Norway hotels, for the week ending April 17, numbered 350.

...
THE Norway railway station has to be observed very carefully to detect progress.

...
R.G. BROWN, formerly postmaster at Quinnesec, and the "Co." of Wright Bros., has opened his trading post on the Brule.

...
THE mail facilities for the towns on the range are simply shameful. There are 10,000 people to be served by that route, and they are now as well served as the people of **Fayette**. THE railway company will have to put on a night force, especially night telegraphers, between **Quinnesec** and **Escanaba**, at once. The next thing will be a **double track**. Engines and ore dumps are too thick for comfort or safety on a single track.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–Norway station will be a telegraph station as soon as the building is ready for occupation.

...
–The railway company will have a double track, west of Powers, before they know it, if they keep on putting in long sidings.

–The stage between Quinnesec and Florence leaves Quinnesec on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and Florence on the alternate days.

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–It is reported that a **mail car and messenger will be put upon the M.R. railroad** on the 1st of July. Three months too late, but better late than never.

–**New telegraph offices have been established at Hermansville**, with **A.F. Sanford** in charge, and **Norway mine branch**, with **C.J. Molloy** in charge.

...

–**The railway company has laid a mile of track west of Quinnesec. The track is expected to reach the river by the first of June and give transportation facilities to the McKenna, Keel Ridge, Ludington and Chapin mines, each of which will have its side track ready by the time the main track reaches them.**

–A flying trip to **Norway** and **Quinnesec**, early in the week, was not productive or profitable by reason of a raw northeaster that prevailed at the time and rendered any visiting of mines unpracticable [*sic – impracticable*]. We saw, however, evidences of enterprise and prosperity on the right hand and the left. The hotels were full of strangers, the trading places thronged with customers, and the streets with outfits for the woods, explorers and miners. At **Norway** the railway company is making progress (while we stood in a pelting rain waiting for transportation we wished it were better) upon the **depot building**, for the foundation of which piles have to be driven eighteen feet into the swamp. **McKenna** (Tom, we believe,) has **commenced a building for a livery stable**, and several new residences and business houses are going up. **Quite a village, known as Sweden, has grown up on the south side of the track, and the whole vicinity thrives. Messrs. Gaynor and Hay, at the Wendel and Glen houses, are hard pressed to accommodate the traveling public, and each proposes to enlarge his house as soon as practicable. At Quinnesec we did not see quite so**

many new shingles, but the town is thriving and will thrive while the men of the place retain the intrepid energy so far displayed, and adjacent hills yield their ferruginous wealth. During the summer we propose to visit the village again, and see how it looks when the sun shines.

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RANGE ITEMS.

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–The **side track to the East Vulcan** will be completed, and shipping [*will*] begin, by the end of the month.

...

–It is said that the **railway company will erect its warehouses at Commonwealth, and make that location headquarters for freight.** That will make the place the depot for lumbermen's supplies.

...

–**The mines west of Quinnesec and between there and the river – the Keel Ridge, McKenna, Chapin, Ludington and Lake Antoine – have their sidings well advanced, and will be in shape to ship ore as soon as the main line of railroad is completed.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 25 [Saturday, May 25, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**The depot at Norway was completed on Thursday.** The approach thereto, from the town, has yet to be made and is more of a job than the building itself.

...

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–The **Quinnesec opera house** will seat 800 people, and the folks thereabouts are fond of amusement; knowing which, we asked **Forbes** why he did not go there with his show. He replied that he had not learned how to seat an audience on beer kegs. **Clifford** had tumbled to it – small kegs, eighths, 50 cents; quarters, reserved, 75 cents; half barrels, proscenium [*sic - proscenium*] boxes as it were, \$ – but he was accustomed to chairs and feared he wouldn't succeed with the **Quinnesec** seats.

...

–When the company can get cars, the **Norway mine** ships over 1,000 tons per day. –Range. **Mr. West** informs us that, upon an average 150 cars stand over from one day to the next on the mine branches of the Menominee road; that the requisition of the manager of the **Menominee company's mines** was for 225 cars daily, which number was supplied for a time, but that 197 was the largest number loaded in one day, and that the requisition was reduced to 200 on the attention of the manager, being called to the facts.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 26 [Saturday, May 29, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–A postoffice [*sic – post office*] has been established at **Iron Mountain City**, and **R.O. Philbrook** appointed postmaster.

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[Saturday, June 5, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**The grading of the railroad has been completed to Iron City [Iron Mountain].**

–If half that is told of discoveries north and northwest of **Quinnesec** is true, a line of rails will soon be demanded reaching thence to the **Republic location**. Rumor says that a large body of ore, similar to that of the **Republic mine**, has been discovered about midway between the two places.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 28 [Saturday, June 12, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**Keel Ridge mine** commenced to ship ore on Friday of last week.

–**The railway company is pushing the track west from Quinnesec at the rate of a quarter of a mile a day.**

–The **Chapin and East Vulcan mines** have commenced shipping ore, and the **Ludington and Lake Antoine [Cornell]** will soon follow.

–**H.J. Bebeau** is president and **A.J. Cronkhite** cashier of the **Bank of Quinnesec**. **Bank offices in the Buell opera house.**

–The fall of iron does not seem to render any less eager the search for ore. **The whole country west of us is full of explorers, and new parties are fitted out daily.**

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RANGE ITEMS.

–Water, too much of it, delays explorations. **The woods are full of explorers**, but the earth is full of water and a pit three feet deep requires a pump to keep it clear.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–**The Norway depot is open and running. Mr. Sampson is agent and telegraph operator.**

–The highway between the junction and **Quinnesec** is getting a good deal of work just now. Correct. Put your roads in good order, buy horses, and laugh at the rail way company.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 31 [Saturday, July 3, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–The **Ludington mine** commenced shipping on Thursday, and the **Cornell (Lake Antoine)** will probably commence today.

–It is expected that the **Florence** will have 20,000 tons of ore stocked by the time the railroad is completed so that shipments can begin.

–**The grading is done to the river, and the track will probably reach there next week.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 32 [Saturday, July 10, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**The track is laid to the river.**

–The roads in the timber are just bottomless.

–**Florence has 500 and Commonwealth 300 inhabitants, by count, not estimate.**

–The range was to have had a better mail service on the 1st inst. We do not hear that it is yet established, but that it soon will be, with **George Estover as route agent.**

–Mr. **E.P. Royce** "set up" the cigars, on Saturday last, upon the occasion of the **first shipment of ore from his (Lake Antoine) iron mine.** We smoked and congratulate.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 33 [Saturday, July 17, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**The Norway Chronicle** says that a project is under consideration to **open a wagon road from Norway to Felch Mountain, a distance of twelve miles.** It ought to be done, as those Norwegians are just enterprising enough to do it.

–And now the talk is that the **postal car will not be put upon the M.R. rail road until it is completed to Florence.**

–The **Quinnesec bank will open**, if it has not already opened, a **branch at Norway**, with **Cronkhite, junior**, in charge.

–A **mail car for the M.R. railroad** is in the yard at Escanaba, and we hope to be able, next Saturday, to announce the fact that it has been put upon the road. The

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range has been neglected by the p.o.d. [post office department] long enough.

–**Cyrus Mason, a brakeman employed on Jos. Riley's ore train, was severely pinched about the hips** while attempting to couple a high car and a low one, at **Quinnesec**, on Friday of last week. He was brought to Escanaba to be cared for.

–The next howl that will greet the ears of the **Chicago & Northwestern railway company**, from this section, will be for a **railroad from Escanaba to the Felch iron mountain**. –Chronicle. You won't need [to] howl. **The C. & N.W. company will put a track to the Felch mountain as soon as anybody has anything to ship therefrom.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 34 [Saturday, July 24, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**Iron Mountain station, four miles west of Quinnesec, is open for business. John Merriman is in temporary charge.**

–One **Samuel Gayner**, a man about 50 years of age, was **run over and killed by ore train No. 42, Langworthy conductor**, at about 11:30 p.m. on Thursday night, **between Norway and Vulcan**. He was known as a "hard drinker," and our readers may remember that he has paid a fine or two for drunkenness in our police court. As he was killed near a saloon, which is located near the **Vulcan mine track**, it is surmised that he was drunk at the time of his death. He had, at any rate, been drinking during the day. The wheels passed over his neck, severing his head from his body entirely. His latest employment had been that of a **laborer at the Curry mine**. Nothing is known of his

antecedents, and he had no family, at least none that are known.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–The **livery men at Quinnesec have opened a road to the lower fall**, which can hardly fail to become a place of popular resort.

–The car is ready, and the man. **Why, then, does the old order of things continue, and a letter take two days to travel from Hermansville to Spalding, a distance of seven miles?**

–**The bridge over the Menominee is completed. Mr. Conro**, contractor for the grading, is doing what he can, but is short of men, and the **opening of the road to Florence** may be delayed beyond the date contemplated, for that reason.

–**Highway robbery** is becoming a recognized industry. Near the **Chapin mine**, a few days ago, a little fellow was set upon and horribly beaten, but the enterprise was a failure, as he had given his money to a comrade who escaped and saved it.

–The towns on the range understand the necessity of roads and highways better than our people seem to. **Norway will cut out and work a road to Felch mountain, distance twelve miles, and one to the Quinnesec fall. Quinnesec has already roads to both these points, and others are projected.**

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RANGE ITEMS.

–Highwaymen, near Iron Mountain City, on Thursday night last, attacked **George Donaldson** and beat and kicked him in an unsuccessful attempt to rob him. They then attacked **Matt. Murray**, breaking his arm and stealing his watch and pocketbook containing \$50. The robbers are still at large. –Chronicle, 31st.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XT, Number 37 [Saturday, August 14, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–No man in the mail car yet.

–**Penberthy** has taken to the woods and "**Racketty**" **Clark** wields the "pencil, pastepot and shears" in the Range office.

[NOTE: "Racketty" Clark is now identified, and working on The Menominee Range in Quinnesec, following his correspondence to The Iron Port from Powers, or "42."]

–It is now generally believed that the **Felch mountain railway** will be built at once. An association of explorers and miners, of which **Mr. Maitland**, of **Negaunee**, is president, has a mine there, without doubt, and other parties have good indications. We are assured that the road will be built as soon as there is any ore to come out.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 38 [Saturday, August 21, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–The track is laid to **Spread Eagle lake**.

–The same old, slow – coach, inefficient arrangement for mail transmission. Kick!

–A **Frenchman**, name not given, was **killed on the Stephenson mine side-track**, on Saturday last. **A loaded car, drawn by a horse, ran over him.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 39 [Saturday, August 28, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–Engines and construction train now run to **Spread Eagle lake**.

–There are **only 25 or 30 places between the junction and the river where the wayfarer can allay his thirst (unless he is thirsty enough to imbibe water, like a locomotive)**, in view of which fact, careful travelers, Chicago and Milwaukee missionaries and "sich," carry a tickler.

–In making an embankment near **Spread Eagle lake**, for the railway extension, a sink-hole, or peat-bed, was discovered, into which the embankment sunk as fast as it was made. The distance across it was short, however, and firm ground was reached during the fore part of this week.

–**Breitung** is the **most populous township of Menominee county** "by a large majority," having **4,554 inhabitants**. **Menominee township** is next, with 3,947. **Breen, Spalding** and **Stephenson** follow, in the order named, with over 1,000 each. **Cedarville, Ingallston** and **Holmes** bring up the rear with 222, 195 and 158, respectively.

–The man who was killed at the **Stephenson mine** was a **Frenchman** named **Rubaur**.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–Building goes on all along the range. We noticed quite a number of **new houses at Frederickton**, as we passed there, on Tuesday, and others at **Norway, Quinnesec and Iron Mountain**.

–The **reception and entertainment of the members of the Institute of Mining Engineers, at Quinnesec**, was a neat thing – as neat as anything we have seen in many a day. The **opera house** had been decorated in their honor, and tables set with what was modestly called a lunch, but which was really a banquet. After a time for attention to the toilet, the guests were escorted thither and seated, and were welcomed in a short address (he knew they were hungry) by **John L. Buell** (we might call him "Hon." or "Esq.," but prefer the plainer phrase), to which, after full justice to the viands, the president of the institute, Mr. **Win. P. Shinn**, of **St. Louis**, replied in a happy vein, and called upon Mr. **Charles Ridgely**, of **Springfield, Ill.**, whose fluent and witty speech was just the thing for the occasion. The ladies of the party, or such of them as desired, were then taken to the **lower Quinnesec fall**, while the gentlemen visited the group of mines embracing the **Keel Ridge, Ludington and Cornell**. At the **Cornell mine** one of the engineer party said, "I have seen some iron mining, but never before iron ore mined with pick and shovel only."

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[Saturday, September 11, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

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–The money has been raised to open a road from Norway to Felch mountain and work on it begun.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 42 [Saturday, September 18, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–The track is laid to Commonwealth and will reach Florence in about another week.

–A passenger train has been put on west of Quinnesec. It leaves there on the arrival of **No. 4**, runs as far as **Lake Antoine junction** and returns in time for **No. 5**.

...

–Among the mining engineers who visited the range was a representative of the Iron Age. In his report of the trip of the institute of where they went and what they saw, he calls the Menominee range "the latest and grandest development" of mining industry in the regions they visited.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 43 [Saturday, September 25, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

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–Norwegians want a township of their own and called Norway, and will ask the board of supervisors to so order at its

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annual meeting. They ask for towns **39, 40 and 41 north, of range 29 west.**

...

–The **railroad track will have reached Florence** by the time this is read, but will not be in a condition for anything except construction work before the 1st proximo [of next month], at which date it is probable that shipments of ore will commence from both **Commonwealth** and **Florence**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 44 [Saturday, October 2, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–A wagon road is under construction from **Florence to Keyes lake.**

–The **Commonwealth** will probably commence shipping early in the coming week.

–**No mail agent on the M.R. railroad yet.** Uncle Sam is awfully slow about it.

...

–**The track of the railway was completed to Florence last Saturday, but is not yet open for business.**

–**O'Callaghan's hall at Norway**, is so nearly completed that it is proposed to open it with a ball on Friday, the 8th.

–In an **affray at a camp of railway laborers near Commonwealth**, a man by the name of **Burke** wounded another, whose name we have not heard, very severely, with an ax.

...

–Freights are pressing, and the road to Florence will be got into working order and business undertaken at the earliest possible day. The work yet to be done is the widening of the clay cut beyond **Spread Eagle lake** and the surfacing of the new track.

...

–We hear that the **Menominee mining company** is considering the question whether it is economy to pay the Northwestern money enough every year to pay for a railroad. Some members of the company think it is not, and that true economy dictates the building of a road and docks by the company for the transportation and shipment of its own ores.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 45 [Saturday, October 9, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

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–**The company will put on a passenger train between Quinnesec and Florence next Monday.**

...

–**The new hall at Norway was opened with a dance on Friday (yesterday) evening.** We return thanks for "complimentaries," which we were too busy to use.

...

–**A collision between a loaded ore train and an empty one occurred at Vulcan**, on Saturday morning last. Nobody killed – one engine pretty well used up and a dozen or so of ore cars ditched, was the outcome. Two conductors and two engineers suspended until the case can be decided upon at headquarters is the corollary [sic].

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RANGE ITEMS.

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–In all the **smashes on the M.R. railroad** last week, no one was killed – not even a bone broken.

–On Friday of last week some cars upon the **Vulcan mine siding** got away from the men in charge and ran out upon the main track just in time to be caught by an ore train. **The engine and a lot of cars were disabled.**

...

–**The Chronicle** details the truth of the report that the **Menominee mining company** is considering the **possibility of railroad building** and says that the project under consideration is of vessel owning instead of railroad. Maybe the Chronicle knows – we're sure we don't, but gave the rumor as we heard it.

–We heard, just before going to press last week, that the **banks of Quinnesec, Norway and Florence had closed and the banker, A.J. Cronkhite, levanted**, but so vaguely and upon such slender authority that we did not use the information. It was true, though, and now everybody says: "Of course. Didn't he play the same game at **Neenah?**"

–At about daylight on Saturday morning last, a **loaded ore train collided with a train of empties, near Hermansville**, to the general demolition of both engines and trains. The wreck was so large and the work of clearing it away so tedious that a track was built around it in order that work might go on. The loaded train was the trespasser [*sic – trespasser*], being behind time and out of place, while the empty one was on time.

–The **opening ball at O'Callaghan Opera House hall** (Bowlders [editor of *The Chronicle* in Norway] could not be got to consent to a more modest appellation – no "town halls" for him, while **Quinnesec** has an opera house), at **Norway**, was numerously attended and heartily enjoyed. If any of our readers want a poetic

description they can turn to their copy of Byron – Don Juan, canto commencing, "There was a sound of revelry by night" – which will answer for the **Norway** affair as well as for that at **Brussels**, all but the wind up.

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RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**The road from Florence to Keyes lake is completed and in use.**

...

–**Five lumber companies have built warehouses and established supply depots at Florence. The Menominee mining company is building a big store at the same place.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 50 [Saturday, November 13, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

--**A man named Rupert [*sic - Ruprecht*] has started a sawmill near (west of) Waucedah.**

...

--**At Florence, on Tuesday last Frank Martin attempted to board a moving train, but missed his hold, was thrown under the wheels and killed.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 51 [Saturday, November 20, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

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–"Sich is fame." THE IRON PORT says:
A man by the name of "Rupert" is building a
mill west of **Waucedah**, and **sheriff
Ruprecht** was beginning to think he was
getting quite noted. –Menominee Herald.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County,
Michigan, Volume XI, Number 52
[Saturday, November 27, 1880], page 8,
columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Frank Bureau** had his **leg crushed by
an ore car**, at the **Norway mine**, and
refuses to submit to amputation, thereby
imperiling his life. –Norway Chronicle.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County,
Michigan, Volume XII, Number 2
[Saturday, December 11, 1880], page 1,
column 3

**THE C. & N.W. company are now
running another line to reach the Felch
Mountain region. The survey leaves the
branch at Hermansville.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County,
Michigan, Volume XII, Number 2
[Saturday, December 11, 1880], page 1,
column 5

THE winter schedule of the **C. & N.W.**
went into effect last Sunday. The
passenger train north now arrives at 11:25
a.m. and the south passenger at 3:32 p.m.
The **Quinnesec freight** leaves at 7:55 a.m.
and arrives at 6:50 p.m. The **south
freights** leave at 5 a.m., 2 p.m. and 9:30
p.m., and the **north freights** at 12:45 and
6:45 a.m. **Passenger trains** arrive at

Florence at 12:35 and 6:40 p.m. and leave
at 8:23 a.m. and 2:25 p.m.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County,
Michigan, Volume XII, Number 2
[Saturday, December 11, 1880], page 8,
columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–We learn from the **Menominee Range**
that a company has been organized to work
the "**big find**" at **Felch mountain**. It is
called the **Northwestern Mining company**,
and is officered as follows: **W.D. Reese**,
president; **J.N. Glidden**, treasurer; **Win.
Sedgwick**, secretary and **Natt Moore**,
superintendent. Active mining operations
will be undertaken at once. Also that the
Lumberman's company has finished
exploration on 30, 43, 32, having
developed a 22-foot vein of good ore.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County,
Michigan, Volume XII, Number 4
[Saturday, December 25, 1880], page 8,
columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**Chapin ore goes to Chicago by rail.**

...

–The engineer who has lately run an
**experimental line from Hermansville to
the Felch mountain** speaks favorably of
the line.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County,
Michigan, Volume XII, Number 5
[Saturday, January 1, 1881], page 8,
column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

Engineering parties are still **working up**

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the **Hermansville and Felch Mountain routes**. It is safe to say that is the one that will be chosen. –Men. Herald. On the contrary, it is as safe as any prediction can be that it is not the route "that will be chosen" by the **C. & N.W. Railway company**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 8 [Saturday January 22, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...
–The **railway depot at Commonwealth** is nearly ready for occupancy – will be completed by the first of February.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 14 [Saturday, March 5, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

...
–We have it from quite a reliable source that the **C. & N.W. railway company** is making preparations to **extend their line to the Iron river country, and a branch from there to Ontonagon, and from that place to Houghton**, while the main line will be run to connect with the Northern Pacific. The course has already been mapped out. –Men. Range.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 15 [Saturday, March 12, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

–The next new town in the iron country is to be at or near the **Crystal Falls of the Paint**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 17 [Saturday, March 26, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

–One of the experimental lines of the **Michigan & Wisconsin road** crossed the track of the M.R. road just east of the station at Norway.

...
–The engineer force of the **Wisconsin & Michigan railroad company** is at work, running experimental lines north of the **Menominee river**. The lines point towards the **Little Bay de Noquette** – not towards **Ontonagon**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 18 [Saturday, April 2, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

...
–The work of laying the side-track to the **Sturgeon mine** is now in progress.

...
–We hear of an "argyment wid fishts" [*argument with fists*] between a couple of railroad men, "out on the branch," on Monday last. No casualties, and no names.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 20 [Saturday, April 16, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

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...

–The **C. & N.W. company** will proceed at once to determine the **route of extension north and west of its present terminus at Florence**, and there is every probability that the **iron region north of the Brule** will be reached by rail before the shipping season closes.

–**Mr. Palmer**, with a **surveying party**, went out [on] the branch, on Monday, to **run lines west and north of Florence for the extension of the railroad**. Authorities differ as to what the company intends, but to an outsider it appears very plain that the **C. & N.W.** cannot afford to delay the **extension of its lines to Felch mountain, Crystal falls and the country west of the Paint and north of the Brule**.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 16 [Saturday, April 16, 1881], page 3, column 5

THE **train was delayed at Waucedah** the other day for ten minutes, by a novel obstruction, namely a **free fight, beside the cars**. The combatants struggled promiscuously and rolled over among the car wheels, so that if the train had moved, it would probably have sent some of them to a celestial Donnybrook Fair. **Denny O'Brien** was a prominent figure in the melee, and emerged with a bad cut on the forehead. Not satisfied with that, he came here and later in the day ran across a snag, that closed his left peeper, and made his features resemble a map of the Yellowstone Park.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 22 [Saturday, April 30, 1881], page 1, column 4

MR. POWERS, with an engineer party, left here on Wednesday to **run the lines for the mine sidings at the Metropolitan and Northwestern locations**, and we are informed that work on the **Felch Mountain branch** will be commenced at once and pushed as rapidly as possible. It is intended to complete the branch in time to allow of [sic – for] the shipment of some 50,000 tons from the two mines mentioned during the present season.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 18 [Saturday, April 30, 1881], page 3, column 4

THE Canal Co., are preparing to lay out a town site on the **Felch Mountain Range**. It will be located on the **south half of the south west quarter of section 29, 40 28**. The town will adjoin the **Metropolitan and Northwestern mines location**, and lies on a level piece of hard wood land, high and dry, and there is an abundance of excellent water. We understand that a good many persons are preparing to purchase building lots.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 24 [Saturday, May 14, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Felch** [ran the **Commercial Hotel in Quinnesec** and proposed building a **hotel at Felch Mountain** in mid-April, 1881] will run a **tri-weekly stage from Norway to Felch mountain**, leaving on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9:45 a.m. –Iron Chronicle, 7th.

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The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 25 [Saturday, May 21, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–The **extensions of the Northwestern railway to the Felch mountain, Paint river and Iron river districts** are progressing with all possible speed. It is not probable that that company can hold its monopoly of the ore-carrying on the range, but the company that comes in to compete with it will find the **Northwestern** every where [*sic – everywhere*] there is a mine and pretty well fixed to stand competition.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 26 [Saturday, May 28, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...
–Work has been commenced on the **railway extension beyond Florence.**

...
–**Albert Keep**, president and **J.B. Redfield**, secretary of the **Menominee rail road** – the Wisconsin organization of the range branch of the peninsula division of the Northwestern, on the 23d filed an amendment to the articles of association of that company, providing for the **extension from Florence to the Brule and thence through Marquette and Ontonagon counties**, in this state, to lake Superior. The extension proposes 148 miles of line north and west of Florence and don't ask for anybody's iron lands either.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 28

[Saturday, June 11, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...
–**Captain Runkle contracts for the railroad extension to Crystal Falls and has already sixty men at work.**

...
–**Work upon the railway extensions, towards Felch mountain and Crystal falls**, is pushed with all possible vigor, but it is almost impossible to keep men in the woods at laborers [*sic – laborers'*] wages, on account of the flies and musquitos [*sic – mosquitos*].

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 29 [Saturday, June 18, 1881], page 1, column 3

FRANK ROACH, a **brakeman employed on ore train No. 52**, was **severely hurt at the Ludington mine** on Monday. He was standing on the back end of the tender as some cars were being pushed, when the draw-head of the car next [*to*] the engine broke and the broken end caught and crushed his ankle. He was brought to **his home at Norway** and placed in **Dr. McLeod's** care, who **amputated the leg** on Wednesday.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 30 [Saturday, June 25, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...
–**"A real, live mail-agent" now accompanies the branch train. The Metropolitan is laying out a town near its**

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mine and will have a newspaper. – Chronicle, 18th.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 27

[Saturday, July 2, 1881], page 3, column 4

THE morning passenger train, going west on the **Menominee River railroad**, on Tuesday last, came near sustaining what might have been, a serious accident. At the **Menominee River Junction**, the train had just passed the Y and was waiting for one of the trainmen to adjust the switch – which seemed to have something the matter with it – when an ore train came thundering along at a rapid rate of speed. As soon as the situation of things was observed, the **passengers in the rear car, rushed to the door and jumped out**, and the train got under motion as soon as possible. The ore train had also clapped on brakes and the switch still not being adjustable ran off the track. No further damage was done, and the accident was soon remedied.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 32 [Saturday, July 9, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–Three town sites have been laid out in the **Felch mountain neighborhood and named, respectively, Felch Mountain, Metropolitan and Theodore**. **Felch Mountain** is near the **Warner location**, occupying the **s1/2 se1/4 29, 42, 28**; **Metropolitan** adjoins the **Metropolitan mine property**, on **32, 42, 28**, and is the property of that company; and **Theodore** is the property of the canal company and

adjoins the **Northwestern mine** on **29, 42, 28**. Two of them, we cannot say which, will doubtless be fizzes.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 28 [Saturday, July 9, 1881], page 3, column 2

"**THEODORE**" is the name of the **Canal Co's new town at Felch Mountain**. **Theodore M. Davis**, the president of the company, is named after it.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 33 [Saturday, July 16, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

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–The **C. & N.W. company will at once extend a branch to the Indiana mine** and the mine commence shipping.

...

--Four hundred men are employed on the **railroad to Crystal Falls** and it is expected that ore can be shipped over it early in October.

...

--The prospect is now that the **railroad will not be completed to Felch mountain before the close of the season** for shipments. –Range, 7th.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 45 [Saturday, October 8, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

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–A postoffice [*sic* – *post office*] has been established at Felch mountain. Name "Metropolitan" and L.A. Friedrichs is postmaster.

--The rains have made the roads to and through the **Felch mountain district** almost impassable, nevertheless [*sic*], **O'Callaghan** has succeeded in transporting a **saw-mill** thither and will soon have it at work. A court has been established **L.D. Fleming**, magistrate, and **John Madden**, constable, and a **school district is to be organized**. All which we learn from the Range.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 44 [Saturday, October 29, 1881], page 3, column 3

ON Tuesday last, **between Vulcan and Norway, the freight train and an ore train**, which was being handled by the switch engine, **collided**. The trains met on a curve and could not see each other until just as they met. The several engines were reversed, but too late to avert a collision. Both locomotives were badly demoralized – the freight engine getting all jammed up and disfigured, and the switch engine came out of the muss minus the smoke stack [*sic* – *smokestack*] and some other trimmings. **Twenty-three ore cars were thrown off the track**. Nobody was hurt and nobody was to blame, except the railroad track, which seemed to be extensively crooked in just about that locality. **The same day ten ore cars left the track at Waucedah**. This accident was the fault of the track again. The rails spread.

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[Saturday, June 5, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The grading of the railroad has been completed to Iron City [Iron Mountain].

...

–The O'Callaghan brothers will build the Norway opera house. They are already sure of tenants, at a good rent, and the business of the **Hahleys**.

...

–If half that is told of discoveries north and northwest of **Quinnesec** is true, a line of rails will soon be demanded reaching thence to the **Republic location**. Rumor says that a large body of ore, similar to that of the **Republic mine**, has been discovered about midway between the two places.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 28 [Saturday, June 12, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Keel Ridge mine** commenced to ship ore on Friday of last week.

...

–The railway company is pushing the track west from Quinnesec at the rate of a quarter of a mile a day.

...

–The **Chapin and East Vulcan mines** have commenced shipping ore, and the **Ludington and Lake Antoine [Cornell]** will soon follow.

–**H.J. Bebeau** is president and **A.J. Cronkhite** cashier of the **Bank of Quinnesec**. Bank offices in the **Buell opera house**.

...

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--The fall of iron does not seem to render any less eager the search for ore. **The whole country west of us is full of explorers, and new parties are fitted out daily.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 29 [Saturday, June 19, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–Water, too much of it, delays explorations. **The woods are full of explorers**, but the earth is full of water and a pit three feet deep requires a pump to keep it clear.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 30 [Saturday, June 26, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The Norway depot is open and running. **Mr. Sampson is agent and telegraph operator.**

...

–Water troubles not only explorers but miners. **Cyclops and Curry were flooded, and the Lumbermen's company suspended work on section nine until the water sub sides.**

–The highway between the junction and **Quinnesec** is getting a good deal of work just now. Correct. Put your roads in good order, buy horses, and laugh at the rail way company.

...

–A subscriber at **Waucedah** complains that the PORT does not reach there until Monday, and asks us where the delay occurs. We cannot inform him further than this: The paper is always in the postoffice

[sic – post office] here on Friday evening, and should reach **Waucedah** on Saturday. That it does not is probably the fault of the postoffice [sic – post office] department in not putting a regular messenger on the **M.R. railroad**. The postal arrangements for the service of the people of the range are, and have always been, shamefully inadequate – a fact we have had occasion to mention on previous occasions and shall again allude to until the fault is remedied. At the same time it is possible that the messengers on the **C. & N.W. road** are partly at fault, or the postmaster or mail agent at **Powers**, in which case we beg of them to do the best they can to serve the public and not make a bad thing worse by inattention. Our contemporaries out [sic – on] the range might help us howl. We never get the **Range** until Friday or the **Chronicle** till Monday.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 31 [Saturday, July 3, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The **Ludington mine** commenced shipping on Thursday, and the **Cornell (Lake Antoine)** will probably commence today.

...

–It is expected that the **Florence** will have 20,000 tons of ore stocked by the time the railroad is completed so that shipments can begin.

...

–**The grading is done to the river, and the track will probably reach there next week.**

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[Saturday, July 10, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**The track is laid to the river.**

–The roads in the timber are just bottomless.

–**Florence has 500 and Commonwealth 300 inhabitants, by count, not estimate.**

...

–The range was to have had a better mail service on the 1st inst. We do not hear that it is yet established, but that it soon will be, with **George Estover as route agent.**

–**Mr. E.P. Royce** "set up" the cigars, on Saturday last, upon the occasion of the **first shipment of ore from his (Lake Antoine) iron mine.** We smoked and congratulate.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 33 [Saturday, July 17, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**The Norway Chronicle** says that a project is under consideration to **open a wagon road from Norway to Felch Mountain, a distance of twelve miles.** It ought to be done, as those Norwegians are just enterprising enough to do it.

–And now the talk is that the **postal car will not be put upon the M.R. rail road until it is completed to Florence.**

–The **Quinnesec bank will open**, if it has not already opened, **a branch at Norway**, with **Cronkhite, junior**, in charge.

...

–**A mail car for the M.R. railroad** is in the yard at Escanaba, and we hope to be able, next Saturday, to announce the fact that it has been put upon the road. The

range has been neglected by the p.o.d. [post office department] long enough.

–**Cyrus Mason**, a **brakeman employed on Jos. Riley's ore train**, was **severely pinched about the hips** while attempting to couple a high car and a low one, at **Quinnesec**, on Friday of last week. He was brought to Escanaba to be cared for.

...

–The next howl that will greet the ears of the **Chicago & Northwestern railway company**, from this section, will be for a **railroad from Escanaba to the Felch iron mountain.** –Chronicle. You won't need [to] howl. **The C. & N.W. company will put a track to the Felch mountain as soon as anybody has anything to ship therefrom.**

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 34 [Saturday, July 24, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**Iron Mountain station, four miles west of Quinnesec, is open for business.** **John Merriman** is in temporary charge.

...

–One **Samuel Gayner**, a man about 50 years of age, was **run over and killed by ore train No. 42, Langworthy conductor**, at about 11:30 p.m. on Thursday night, **between Norway and Vulcan.** He was known as a "hard drinker," and our readers may remember that he has paid a fine or two for drunkenness in our police court. As he was killed near a saloon, which is located near the **Vulcan mine track**, it is surmised that he was drunk at the time of his death. He had, at any rate, been drinking during the day. The wheels passed over his neck, severing his head from his body entirely. His latest employment had been that of a **laborer at the Curry mine.** Nothing is known of his

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antecedents, and he had no family, at least none that are known.

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RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The **livery men at Quinnesec have opened a road to the lower fall**, which can hardly fail to become a place of popular resort.

–The **Norway opera house, which will not be an opera house but a "town hall,"** (because **John O'Callaghan** is sensible,) will be 46 by 80 feet in size.

...

–The car is ready, and the man. **Why, then, does the old order of things continue, and a letter take two days to travel from Hermansville to Spalding, a distance of seven miles?**

...

–**Norway grows. During the two months which intervened between a previous visit and one which we made on Friday last, as many as twenty new buildings had been erected, and the place greatly improved otherwise.**

...

–**The bridge over the Menominee is completed. Mr. Conro**, contractor for the grading, is doing what he can, but is short of men, and the **opening of the road to Florence** may be delayed beyond the date contemplated, for that reason.

–**Highway robbery** is becoming a recognized industry. Near the **Chapin mine**, a few days ago, a little fellow was set upon and horribly beaten, but the enterprise was a failure, as he had given his money to a comrade who escaped and saved it.

–The towns on the range understand the necessity of roads and highways better

than our people seem to. **Norway will cut out and work a road to Felch mountain, distance twelve miles, and one to the Quinnesec fall. Quinnesec has already roads to both these points, and others are projected.**

...

–At **Waucedah**, on Monday, one **Scanlan** was arrested and held for an **attempt at highway robbery**. He, with three others, waylaid a couple of peddlers and demanded their wealth, but got, instead, fighting and noise. **Scanlan**, [*sic*] was the only one captured, and his address, after **Judge Goodwin's** next tour, will be **Jackson, Jackson county, Mich.**

...

–The **death of Samuel Gayner, near Norway**, announced in the PORT last Saturday, was the subject of a good deal of discussion, many persons, and among them the men on the train which ran over him, suspecting that he was killed or came to his death elsewhere, and that his dead body was placed upon the track to cover up a crime. The inquest held on the remains did not get at any evidence in support of the theory, however, and the verdict was "accidental death," which was probably correct. The man was liable to come to his death in just that way.

–We had been led to suppose that the **Skandinavian immigration to this region** was essentially a mining one, but **Mr. Wendel** assures us that the idea is erroneous, that the bulk of the immigrants are **agriculturists**, and that the hope and intention of each is to get hold of a piece of land. To this and they engage in any labor that offers, without losing sight of the purpose, delving in the mines or chopping in the woods to acquire the small sum sufficient to buy a home. Mr. W. expects to see the hard-wood land north of Norway taken up and cultivated by the Norsemen

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now engaged in and about the mines, their places being filled by new comers.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 36 [Saturday, August 7, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The frame-work of the Norway opera house is up.

...

–A town hall, 24x60 feet, is being built at Waucedah by Safford Oatman.

...

–Highwaymen, near Iron Mountain City, on Thursday night last, attacked **George Donaldson** and beat and kicked him in an unsuccessful attempt to rob him. They then attacked **Matt. Murray**, breaking his arm and stealing his watch and pocketbook containing \$50. The robbers are still at large. –Chronicle, 31st.

...

–On the night of Saturday, July 30 [sic], one **James Howarth** was dangerously stabbed by one of a party of five Italians, on the road between Norway and Vulcan. **Officer Bush**, of Norway, after making several arrests, finally nabbed the man identified by **Howarth** as the one who did the stabbing, **Antoine Christenalli** by name, and he was, upon examination, held to the circuit court in \$500 bail.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XT, Number 37 [Saturday, August 14, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–No man in the mail car yet.

...

–**Penberthy** has taken to the woods and "**Racketty**" **Clark** wields the "pencil, pastepot and shears" in the Range office.

[NOTE: "**Racketty**" is now identified, and working on *The Menominee Range* in Quinnesec, following his correspondence to *The Iron Port* from Powers, or "42."]

...

–It is now generally believed that the **Felch mountain railway** will be built at once. An association of explorers and miners, of which **Mr. Maitland**, of **Negaunee**, is president, has a mine there, without doubt, and other parties have good indications. We are assured that the road will be built as soon as there is any ore to come out.

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RANGE ITEMS.

–The track is laid to **Spread Eagle lake**.

...

–The same old, slow – coach, inefficient arrangement for mail transmission. Kick!

...

–A **Frenchman**, name not given, was killed on the **Stephenson mine side-track**, on Saturday last. **A loaded car, drawn by a horse, ran over him.**

...

–**Penberthy** has been out on **Felch mountain** and we gather from his log that he is not enthusiastic as to the prospects of that range. **Professor Roumynger** [sic], state geologist, was of the party, and the first locations of which the log makes mention are the explorations by **McMinn, Tracy and Wood**, in **31, 42, 29**. The whole

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section was gone over, and **Professor R.**'s opinion was that they would have to look elsewhere for ore. Explorations on **32, 42, 29**, and thence eastward to **section 36**, were visited and "no satisfactory results" was the verdict. On **31, 42, 28**, **Wright Brothers** have done a great deal of work, but the mine, if it exists, has yet to be found. On the next section, **32, 42, 28**, **Capt. Curry** has struck fine ore and the property seems valuable. On the north half of the section[,] **Matt. Moore**'s discovery is said to be "second to none in this part of the country." After viewing the explorations on **sections 26 and 35, 42, 29**, the Professor advised that work therein be suspended, which advice was at once acted upon by **Mr. Alex. Kempt**. On the whole, only **32, 42, 28**, is mentioned at all favorably, which does not coincide with former reports from that region.

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RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Engines and construction train now run to Spread Eagle lake.**

...

–There are only 25 or 30 places between the junction and the river where the wayfarer can allay his thirst (unless he is thirsty enough to imbibe water, like a locomotive), in view of which fact, careful travelers, Chicago and Milwaukee missionaries and "sich," carry a tickler.

–In making an embankment near **Spread Eagle lake**, for the railway extension, a sink-hole, or peat-bed, was discovered, into which the embankment sunk as fast as it was made. The distance across it was short, however, and firm

ground was reached during the fore part of this week.

–**Breitung** is the **most populous township of Menominee county** "by a large majority," having **4,554 inhabitants**. **Menominee township** is next, with 3,947. **Breen, Spalding** and **Stephenson** follow, in the order named, with over 1,000 each. **Cedarville, Ingallston** and **Holmes** bring up the rear with 222, 195 and 158, respectively.

...

–**The man who was killed at the Stephenson mine was a Frenchman named Rubaur.**

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RANGE ITEMS.

–**The town hall at Norway approaches completion.**

...

–Building goes on all along the range. We noticed quite a number of **new houses at Frederickton**, as we passed there, on Tuesday, and others at **Norway, Quinnesec** and **Iron Mountain**.

...

–**The reception and entertainment of the members of the Institute of Mining Engineers, at Quinnesec**, was a neat thing – as neat as anything we have seen in many a day. The **opera house** had been decorated in their honor, and tables set with what was modestly called a lunch, but which was really a banquet. After a time for attention to the toilet, the guests were escorted thither and seated, and were welcomed in a short address (he knew they were hungry) by **John L. Buell** (we might call him "Hon." or "Esq.," but prefer the plainer phrase), to which, after full justice to

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the viands, the president of the institute, Mr. **Win. P. Shinn**, of **St. Louis**, replied in a happy vein, and called upon Mr. **Charles Ridgely**, of **Springfield, Ill.**, whose fluent and witty speech was just the thing for the occasion. The ladies of the party, or such of them as desired, were then taken to the **lower Quinnesec fall**, while the gentlemen visited the group of mines embracing the **Keel Ridge, Ludington and Cornell**. At the **Cornell mine** one of the engineer party said, "I have seen some iron mining, but never before iron ore mined with pick and shovel only."

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 41 [Saturday, September 11, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The money has been raised to open a road from Norway to Felch mountain and work on it begun.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 42 [Saturday, September 18, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–The track is laid to Commonwealth and will reach Florence in about another week.

–A passenger train has been put on west of Quinnesec. It leaves there on the arrival of **No. 4**, runs as far as **Lake Antoine junction** and returns in time for **No. 5**.

...

–Among the mining engineers who visited the range was a representative of the Iron Age. In his report of the trip of the

institute of where they went and what they saw, he calls the Menominee range "the latest and grandest development" of mining industry in the regions they visited.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 43 [Saturday, September 25, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–Norwegians want a township of their own and called Norway, and will ask the board of supervisors to so order at its annual meeting. They ask for towns **39, 40 and 41 north, of range 29 west**.

...

–The railroad track will have reached Florence by the time this is read, but will not be in a condition for anything except construction work before the 1st proximo [of next month], at which date it is probable that shipments of ore will commence from both **Commonwealth** and **Florence**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 44 [Saturday, October 2, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–A wagon road is under construction from Florence to Keyes lake.

–The **Commonwealth** will probably commence shipping early in the coming week.

–No mail agent on the M.R. railroad yet. Uncle Sam is awfully slow about it.

...

–The track of the railway was completed to Florence last Saturday, but is not yet open for business.

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–**O'Callaghan's hall at Norway**, is so nearly completed that it is proposed to open it with a ball on Friday, the 8th.

–In an **affray at a camp of railway laborers near Commonwealth**, a man by the name of **Burke** wounded another, whose name we have not heard, very severely, with an ax.

...

–Freights are pressing, and the road to Florence will be got into working order and business undertaken at the earliest possible day. The work yet to be done is the widening of the clay cut beyond **Spread Eagle lake** and the surfacing of the new track.

...

–We hear that the **Menominee mining company** is considering the question whether it is economy to pay the Northwestern money enough every year to pay for a railroad. Some members of the company think it is not, and that true economy dictates the building of a road and docks by the company for the transportation and shipment of its own ores.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 45 [Saturday, October 9, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**The company will put on a passenger train between Quinnesec and Florence next Monday.**

...

–**The new hall at Norway was opened with a dance on Friday (yesterday) evening.** We return thanks for "complimentaries," which we were too busy to use.

...

–**A collision between a loaded ore train and an empty one occurred at**

Vulcan, on Saturday morning last. Nobody killed – one engine pretty well used up and a dozen or so of ore cars ditched, was the outcome. Two conductors and two engineers suspended until the case can be decided upon at headquarters is the corollary [sic].

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 46 [Saturday, October 16, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–In all the **smashes on the M.R. railroad** last week, no one was killed – not even a bone broken.

–On Friday of last week some cars upon the **Vulcan mine siding** got away from the men in charge and ran out upon the main track just in time to be caught by an ore train. **The engine and a lot of cars were disabled.**

...

–**The Chronicle** details the truth of the report that the **Menominee mining company** is considering the **possibility of railroad building** and says that the project under consideration is of vessel owning instead of railroad. Maybe the Chronicle knows – we're sure we don't, but gave the rumor as we heard it.

–We heard, just before going to press last week, that the **banks of Quinnesec, Norway and Florence had closed and the banker, A.J. Cronkhite, levanted**, but so vaguely and upon such slender authority that we did not use the information. It was true, though, and now everybody says: "Of course. Didn't he play the same game at **Neenah?**"

–At about daylight on Saturday morning last, a **loaded ore train collided with a train of empties, near Hermansville**, to the general demolition of both engines and

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trains. The wreck was so large and the work of clearing it away so tedious that a track was built around it in order that work might go on. The loaded train was the tresspasser [*sic* – *trespasser*], being behind time and out of place, while the empty one was on time.

–The **opening ball at O'Callaghan Opera House hall** (Bowlders [editor of *The Chronicle* in Norway] could not be got to consent to a more modest appellation – no "town halls" for him, while **Quinnesec** has an opera house), at **Norway**, was numerously attended and heartily enjoyed. If any of our readers want a poetic description they can turn to their copy of *Byron – Don Juan*, canto commencing, "There was a sound of revelry by night" – which will answer for the **Norway** affair as well as for that at **Brussels**, all but the wind up.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 49 [Saturday, November 6, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The road from Florence to Keyes lake is completed and in use.

...

–Five lumber companies have built warehouses and established supply depots at Florence. The Menominee mining company is building a big store at the same place.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 50 [Saturday, November 13, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–A man named Rupert [*sic* - *Ruprecht*] has started a sawmill near (west of) Waucedah.

...

–At Florence, on Tuesday last Frank Martin attempted to board a moving train, but missed his hold, was thrown under the wheels and killed.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 51 [Saturday, November 20, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–"Sich is fame." THE IRON PORT says: A man by the name of "Rupert" is building a mill west of Waucedah, and sheriff Ruprecht was beginning to think he was getting quite noted. –Menominee Herald.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 52 [Saturday, November 27, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–Frank Bureau had his leg crushed by an ore car, at the Norway mine, and refuses to submit to amputation, thereby imperiling his life. –Norway Chronicle.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 2 [Saturday, December 11, 1880], page 1, column 3

THE C. & N.W. company are now running another line to reach the Felch Mountain region. The survey leaves the branch at Hermansville.

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THE winter schedule of the **C. & N.W.** went into effect last Sunday. The **passenger train** north now arrives at 11:25 a.m. and the south passenger at 3:32 p.m. The **Quinnesec freight** leaves at 7:55 a.m. and arrives at 6:50 p.m. The **south freights** leave at 5 a.m., 2 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., and the **north freights** at 12:45 and 6:45 a.m. **Passenger trains** arrive at **Florence** at 12:35 and 6:40 p.m. and leave at 8:23 a.m. and 2:25 p.m.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 2 [Saturday, December 11, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–We learn from the **Menominee Range** that a company has been organized to work the "**big find**" at **Felch mountain**. It is called the **Northwestern Mining company**, and is officered as follows: **W.D. Reese**, president; **J.N. Glidden**, treasurer; **Win. Sedgwick**, secretary and **Natt Moore**, superintendent. Active mining operations will be undertaken at once. Also that the **Lumberman's company** has finished **exploration on 30, 43, 32**, having developed a 22-foot vein of good ore.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 4 [Saturday, December 25, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**Chapin ore goes to Chicago by rail.**

...

–The engineer who has lately run an **experimental line from Hermansville to the Felch mountain** speaks favorably of the line.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 5 [Saturday, January 1, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

Engineering parties are still **working up the Hermansville and Felch Mountain routes**. It is safe to say that is the one that will be chosen. –Men. Herald. On the contrary, it is as safe as any prediction can be that it is not the route "that will be chosen" by the **C. & N.W. Railway company**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 8 [Saturday January 22, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The **railway depot at Commonwealth** is nearly ready for occupancy – will be completed by the first of February.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 14 [Saturday, March 5, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–We have it from quite a reliable source that the **C. & N.W. railway company** is making preparations to **extend their line to the Iron river country, and a branch from there to Ontonagon, and from that place to Houghton**, while the main line will be

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run to connect with the Northern Pacific. The course has already been mapped out. –Men. Range.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 15 [Saturday, March 12, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

–The next new town in the iron country is to be at or near the Crystal Falls of the Paint.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 17 [Saturday, March 26, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

–One of the experimental lines of the Michigan & Wisconsin road crossed the track of the M.R. road just east of the station at Norway.

...

–The engineer force of the Wisconsin & Michigan railroad company is at work, running experimental lines north of the Menominee river. The lines point towards the Little Bay de Noquette – not towards Ontonagon.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 18 [Saturday, April 2, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The work of laying the side-track to the Sturgeon mine is now in progress.

...

–We hear of an "argyment wid fishts" [*argument with fists*] between a couple of railroad men, "out on the branch," on Monday last. No casualties, and no names.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 20 [Saturday, April 16, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–The C. & N.W. company will proceed at once to determine the route of extension north and west of its present terminus at Florence, and there is every probability that the iron region north of the Brule will be reached by rail before the shipping season closes.

–Mr. Palmer, with a surveying party, went out [*on*] the branch, on Monday, to run lines west and north of Florence for the extension of the railroad. Authorities differ as to what the company intends, but to an outsider it appears very plain that the C. & N.W. cannot afford to delay the extension of its lines to Felch mountain, Crystal falls and the country west of the Paint and north of the Brule.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 16 [Saturday, April 16, 1881], page 3, column 5

THE train was delayed at Waucedah the other day for ten minutes, by a novel obstruction, namely a free fight, beside the cars. The combatants struggled promiscuously and rolled over among the car wheels, so that if the train had moved, it would probably have sent some of them to a celestial Donnybrook Fair. Denny O'Brien was a prominent figure in the melee, and emerged with a bad cut on the forehead. Not satisfied with that, he came

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here and later in the day ran across a snag, that closed his left peeper, and made his features resemble a map of the Yellowstone Park.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 22 [Saturday, April 30, 1881], page 1, column 4

MR. POWERS, with an engineer party, left here on Wednesday to **run the lines for the mine sidings at the Metropolitan and Northwestern locations**, and we are informed that work on the **Felch Mountain branch** will be commenced at once and pushed as rapidly as possible. It is intended to complete the branch in time to allow of [*sic – for*] the shipment of some 50,000 tons from the two mines mentioned during the present season.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 18 [Saturday, April 30, 1881], page 3, column 4

THE Canal Co., are preparing to lay out a town site on the Felch Mountain Range. It will be located on the south half of the south west quarter of section 29, 40 28. The town will adjoin the Metropolitan and Northwestern mines location, and lies on a level piece of hard wood land, high and dry, and there is an abundance of excellent water. We understand that a good many persons are preparing to purchase building lots.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 24 [Saturday, May 14, 1881], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Felch** [ran the **Commercial Hotel in Quinnesec** and **proposed building a hotel at Felch Mountain** in mid-April, 1881] will run a **tri-weekly stage from Norway to Felch mountain**, leaving on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9:45 a.m. –*Iron Chronicle*, 7th.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 25 [Saturday, May 21, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

–The **extensions of the Northwestern railway to the Felch mountain, Paint river and Iron river districts** are progressing with all possible speed. It is not probable that that company can hold its monopoly of the ore-carrying on the range, but the company that comes in to compete with it will find the **Northwestern** every where [*sic – everywhere*] there is a mine and pretty well fixed to stand competition.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 26 [Saturday, May 28, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–Work has been commenced on the **railway extension beyond Florence.**

...

–**Albert Keep**, president and **J.B. Redfield**, secretary of the **Menominee rail road** – the Wisconsin organization of the range branch of the peninsula division of the Northwestern, on the 23d filed an amendment to the articles of association of that company, providing for the **extension from Florence to the Brule and thence**

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through Marquette and Ontonagon counties, in this state, to lake Superior. The extension proposes 148 miles of line north and west of Florence and don't ask for anybody's iron lands either.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 28 [Saturday, June 11, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Captain Runkle contracts for the railroad extension to Crystal Falls and has already sixty men at work.**

...

–**Work upon the railway extensions, towards Felch mountain and Crystal falls**, is pushed with all possible vigor, but it is almost impossible to keep men in the woods at laborers [*sic – laborers*] wages, on account of the flies and musquitos [*sic – mosquitos*].

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 29 [Saturday, June 18, 1881], page 1, column 3

FRANK ROACH, a brakeman employed on ore train No. 52, was severely hurt at the Ludington mine on Monday. He was standing on the back end of the tender as some cars were being pushed, when the draw-head of the car next [*to*] the engine broke and the broken end caught and crushed his ankle. He was brought to his home at Norway and placed in Dr. McLeod's care, who amputated the leg on Wednesday.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 30 [Saturday, June 25, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**"A real, live mail-agent" now accompanies the branch train. The Metropolitan is laying out a town near its mine and will have a newspaper.** – Chronicle, 18th.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 27

[Saturday, July 2, 1881], page 3, column 4

THE morning passenger train, going west on the Menominee River railroad, on Tuesday last, came near sustaining what might have been, a serious accident. At the Menominee River Junction, the train had just passed the Y and was waiting for one of the trainmen to adjust the switch – which seemed to have something the matter with it – when an ore train came thundering along at a rapid rate of speed. As soon as the situation of things was observed, the passengers in the rear car, rushed to the door and jumped out, and the train got under motion as soon as possible. The ore train had also clapped on brakes and the switch still not being adjustable ran off the track. No further damage was done, and the accident was soon remedied.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 32 [Saturday, July 9, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

–**Three town sites have been laid out in the Felch mountain neighborhood and named, respectively, Felch Mountain, Metropolitan and Theodore.** Felch

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Mountain is near the **Warner location**, occupying the **s1/2 se1/4 29, 42, 28**; **Metropolitan** adjoins the **Metropolitan mine property**, on **32, 42, 28**, and is the property of that company; and **Theodore** is the property of the canal company and adjoins the **Northwestern mine** on **29, 42, 28**. Two of them, we cannot say which, will doubtless be fizzles.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 28 [Saturday, July 9, 1881], page 3, column 2

"THEODORE" is the name of the **Canal Co's new town at Felch Mountain**. **Theodore M. Davis**, the president of the company, is named after it.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 33 [Saturday, July 16, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

--The **C. & N.W. company will at once extend a branch to the Indiana mine** and the mine commence shipping.

...

--Four hundred men are employed on the **railroad to Crystal Falls** and it is expected that ore can be shipped over it early in October.

...

--The prospect is now that the **railroad will not be completed to Felch mountain before the close of the season** for shipments. --Range, 7th.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 45 [Saturday, October 8, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

RANGE ITEMS.

...

--A postoffice [*sic* – *post office*] has been established at **Felch mountain**. Name "**Metropolitan**" and **L.A. Friedrichs** is postmaster.

--The rains have made the roads to and through the **Felch mountain district** almost impassable, nevertheless [*sic*], **O'Callaghan** has succeeded in transporting a **saw-mill** thither and will soon have it at work. A court has been established **L.D. Fleming**, magistrate, and **John Madden**, constable, and a **school district is to be organized**. All which we learn from the Range.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 44 [Saturday, October 29, 1881], page 3, column 3

ON Tuesday last, **between Vulcan and Norway, the freight train and an ore train**, which was being handled by the switch engine, **collided**. The trains met on a curve and could not see each other until just as they met. The several engines were reversed, but too late to avert a collision. Both locomotives were badly demoralized – the freight engine getting all jammed up and disfigured, and the switch engine came out of the muss minus the smoke stack [*sic* – *smokestack*] and some other trimmings. **Twenty-three ore cars were thrown off the track**. Nobody was hurt and nobody was to blame, except the railroad track, which seemed to be extensively crooked in just about that locality. **The same day ten ore cars left the track at Waucedah**. This accident was the fault of the track again. The rails spread.

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Agriculture

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QUINNESEC JOTTINGS.

Mr.[.] Cleveland of the **Riverside farm** has a **pumpkin** on exhibition which weighs 138 ½ pounds.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, October 31, 1885], page 8, column 2

Farmers are now doing their fall plowing.

Mr. Cleveland of the **Riverside farm**, [sic] has bought a **threshing machine**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 40 [Saturday, November 7, 1885], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Mr. Cleveland, of the **Reverside [sic – Riverside] farm**, is making a **trout pond** on his place.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 43 [Saturday, November 28, 1885], page 1, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Tom McKenna has bought a 40 acre **marsh north of town**, and will go into the **cranberry business**.

Business Locations and Development

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 38 [Saturday, September 17, 1881], page 3, column 3

THERE is a veritable **boom at Quinnesec**. Additions to the town are being laid out, and lots are going off "like hot cakes," and at good prices. There seems to be quite a concentration of interest all along the range at **Quinnesec**. The place is central and most delightfully located, and, in view of the immediate and surrounding attractions, may at no very distant day become the leading inland watering-place and pleasure resort of the Upper Peninsula. – *Marinette Eagle*.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 41 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

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

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 48 [Saturday, January 2, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Three stores, five saloons, two meat markets in town, so we have lots to eat, and something to drink.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 49

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column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

We would like to **get back the library which Iron Mountain appropriated**, as our **population has increased 70 percent. In six months.**

Next summer we are going to have a **lively business place**, and not a mere summer resort, as the **Iron Mountain numskull** would have people believe.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Michigan, Volume I, Number 51
[Saturday, January 23, 1886], page 1,
column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Sunday last was like circus day. The boys from the Indiana mine and those from the lumber camps making things lively.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Michigan, Volume II, Number 45
[Saturday, December 4, 1886], page 1,
column 5

QUINNESEC.

A short visit on Wednesday revealed the fact that while business is not what it was in the palmy days when **Quinnesec** was the end of the road, – the jumping off place, still it is by no means a dead town, and should the extensive explorations now being carried on prove successful[,] it would take but a few weeks to fill up **all the empty business and dwelling houses.**

Ans. [Anson] Wright has all the business in the **Gen. Mdse. [General Merchandise]** line which he and his able assistant can handle.

John St. Denis was almost too busy to talk to a fellow, as he said: it was cold weather and his customers must have "good grub" to keep them from freezing.

H. [Henry] Hartman was found trying to swap a **carload of meat** for a **carload of butter and eggs**, and it is safe to say that **Henry** did not get the worst of the bargain, if one was made.

Tom McKenna and **Paddy Wildman** both seemed well pleased with the world and themselves, and we believe that if the angel Gabriel should call for either of them, he would meet with the answer, "all right, take sumthin [*sic* – *something*] first."

W.W. Felch, at the **Hotel**, still continues to furnish food and lodgings of the best, and it goes without saying that he and the estimable landlady know just how to keep a hotel, and that the weary wayfarer reaps the benefit of that knowledge. Mr. Felch is expecting soon to get up an "Old Folks" party and will expect all his friends to come and see him. He also says that parties out for a sleighride [*sic* – *sleigh ride*] and who may feel disposed to have a little dance, [*sic*] may have the use of his house [*hotel*] at the shortest notice.

B. Gormerly [*sic* – Gormley] was here on Wednesday and measured some of the boys for new clothes. **Gormley** is now located at **Norway**, and will without doubt find all the work his hands can do.

Station Agent McGraw also seemed well pleased with both himself and the world, and is probably the busiest man in town.

T.E. Dillon, of **Waucedah**, has been **taking men and teams across the river this week, [*sic*] to commence hauling logs.** He will put in about 2,000,000 feet.

Felix Labrook is doing a good business at his livery.

Cemetery

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Churches

Churches – Catholic

Menominee Range, Quinnesec, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 1 [Wednesday, March 19, 1879], page 3, column 3

NEW CHURCH. – The **Catholic Church**, in course of erection at this place, promises to be the neatest little church in the county. Its dimensions are 30x60 with 22 feet posts. It is located on the south side of the R.R., on a lot of ground 150 ft. front by 250 ft. deep. There is ample room for a parsonage on the same property, and if need be a school building. **Mr. Buell** reserved a corresponding lot immediately east of this for donation to any **Protestant society** that would bind themselves to erect a church in a given time. Should this proposition not be accepted within a proper period, the same lot will be donated for the establishment of a sister's school if desired. Any [way] why should we not have one here? No better schools are to be found in the land. The location is a splendid one, and the climate is not excelled for health in the world. But very few years are to elapse before churches of various denominations are to be erected on this range, and institutions of learning established. To the indefatigable, hard-working **Father Fox** will **Quinnesec** be indebted for the church now being erected. Five carpenters are at labor upon it, and the date of its completion cannot be far distant.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 20 [Thursday, September 28, 1916], page 6, column 1

A CHURCH DEDICATION

Rev. Bishop Eis Will Preside at the Services at Quinnesec.

Sunday will be the gala day in Quinnesec. The new St. Mary's church will be dedicated at 10:30 by Rt. Rev. Bishop Eis, of Marquette. At first the right reverend bishop intended to send his personal representative, Msgr. Pinten, who is well-known to many people of Iron Mountain, but later decided to come himself.

The older inhabitants of the "Menominee Range" will remember when Quinnesec was the "end of [the] track," before the deposits of ore were discovered at Iron Mountain, and how in the early days the white church on the hill was a landmark that soon became rich in historic associations.

Ever since its destruction by fire the remaining settlers have been eager to replace this sentinel on the hill top, and next Sunday will witness the fruition of their hopes and labors. A substantial edifice has been erected on the site of the old church, but larger and better in every way. Your correspondent was recently taken through the building by one of the courteous parishioners and was both edified and delighted.

The new structure measures 34x60 feet on the foundation, and is substantially built with a handsome tower and steeple gracing the west end. The interior trimming of the church is birth with a maple floor. A hot air furnace has been installed. The stained glass windows are the finest in the country. A beautiful altar, decorated, in white and gold, was donated by Joseph A. Reau, a former resident, and is now in place.

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The structure and its appointments speak volumes for the devotion and zeal of the residents of Quinnesec.

This week Father Corcoran is holding missionary services preparatory to the dedication.

A number of the neighboring priests have signified their intention of being present to do honor to the occasion.

The services are to begin at 10:30 Sunday morning with the blessing of church, mass and sermon. A splendid chicken dinner will be served at noon by the ladies of Quinnesec. All the residents, irrespective of creed, are joining in to make the day one of unalloyed success. In the afternoon at at *[sic]* 2:30 the bell will be blessed and also the Stations of the Cross, all to finish with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. A sermon will be preached in the afternoon by a visiting clergyman.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 21 [Thursday, October 5, 1916], page 1, column 5

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES

Dedication of St. Mary's Church at Quinnesec Last Sunday.

Last Sunday was a notable date in the history of St. Mary's church at Quinnesec.

In the lives of people there are certain days when the sun arises with more wonderful *[sic – wondrous]* glory, shines with vivifying ardor, and touches all things beneath its rays with beauty and benediction. Such was the day when to the little village of Quinnesec, R. Rev. F. Eis, D.D. of Marquette, came to dedicate the new church.

The new building replaces the old pioneer church of the "Menominee Range," which was built in the year of 1878. Quinnesec was at that time a busy, thriving mining town, and the people generously devoted themselves to the erection of the first church "on the range."

Rev. Father Rousseau was the first pastor and also had charge of the Catholic population at Norway, which was then a mission. Father Fox succeeded Father Rousseau, then came Father Kelly. IN 1882 the Rev. John Brown was the pastor of the church and supplied the spiritual needs of the Catholic congregation at Iron Mountain. The last resident pastor was the late Rt. Rev. Monsignor Faust, who later secured the property upon which St. Joseph's church in Iron Mountain now stands and organized the first Catholic congregation in that city.

Rev. James Corcoran, present pastor of the St. Mary's church at Iron Mountain, is also pastor of St. Mary's church in the Quinnesec mission. Through his unflinching help and encouragement it has been possible to replace the sacred structure which was destroyed in the disastrous fire of 1906. About five years ago a few members of the congregation timidly solicited the consent of their good pastor to start a building fund. An enthusiastic assent was the answer in their appeal, and while it then appeared a dream too lofty for realization, Father Corcoran approved of it, God blessed the project and last Sunday all enjoyed the consoling reality.

The church is very substantially built. It has a high-grade varnished hardwood floor, a good heating plant, and beautiful stained glass windows purchased from the Marquette Stained Glass Works. Among the most prized are the windows donated by the late Rt. Rev. Monsignor Faust, and the present pastor, Rev. Father Corcoran. The hardwood seats were presented by

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Hon. John L. Buell, who is the founder of Quinnesec. A beautiful altar was given to the church by Joseph A. Reau, of Butte, Montana, who spent his boyhood days in Quinnesec.

Last Sunday, under a flawless sky of the most perfect blue, in a soft atmosphere, full of *[the]* charm and poetry of an early autumn day, the much beloved Rt. Rev. Bishop Eis blessed the church. He was assisted at the throne during the celebration of the Solemn High Mass, which was sung by the pastor, Rev. James Corcoran, with the Rev. Joseph Beauchene, of Iron Mountain, as deacon and Rev. Jos. Hemmer, of Niagara, Wis., as sub-deacon. Rev. Jos. Hollinger, of Norway, officiated as master of ceremonies^[,] while the Rev. Anthony Molinari, of Vulcan, acted as chaplain to the bishop.

The Altar boys of St. Mary's and St. Joseph's churches in Iron Mountain added to the beauty and solemnity of the occasion. The music furnished by the Iron Mountain choir was very elevating, and received compliments from all sides.

The beautiful solo, Ave Maria by Mascogni, in clear angelic notes^[,] was sung by Mrs. T.F. Ryan, of Green Bay, Wis. Mrs. Ryan possesses a voice of great range and purity.

In the afternoon the bell was blessed by Rev. Molinari after an explanation. The stations of the cross were blessed by the pastor. Father Corcoran gave a beautiful explanation of the meaning of the bell in liturgical services and expressed his wish that when the bell pealed forth its melodious summons to prayer that all the residents of Quinnesec would lift up their hearts to God. The bell was adorned with flowers connected by graceful southern smilax for the occasion.

The congregational singing added greatly to the devotional nature of the beautiful service.

Solemn benediction was given by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Molinari as deacon and the Rev. Hemmer as sub-deacon. After benediction the sacrament of baptism was administered to eight persons. The dedication of eight souls to God was a fitting close to the day.

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QUINNESEC

LIGHTING HITS

CHURCH STEEPLE

Last Monday, during the electrical storm, the lightning entered the tower of St. Mary's church, and there several bird's nests caught fire. The flames shot up about the blinds of the tower and soon the fire became a serious one. Otto Smith was the first one to see the steeple afire, and gave the alarm. Fred Smith was the first to reach the church and, ringing the bell, attracted the attention of everyone. Herbert Henderson was the first to arrive with a pail of water, and he was soon followed by a soldier, Joseph Grodulski, of Vulcan, who brought two pails. The water was effectively applied, and the flames speedily quenched. About all of the men in the village responded, and soon were on the scene with hose cart and water force. Fortunately, the timely arrival of the buckets of water checked the fire, so that the pumps were not necessary. The damage is covered by insurance. The congregation of St. Mary's church is deeply grateful to all the volunteers who responded so

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generously to extinguish what might have been a most disastrous fire.

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Churches – Methodist

Commercial District

Bakeries and Confectionery Shops

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, October 31, 1885], page 8, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Joe Reno has opened a **bakery** in town. Joe understands the secret of making good bread.

Boiler Manufacturers

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 7 [Saturday, March 21, 1885], page 1, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Fred Lannoye, in charge of **Louis Young's branch boiler shop** at this place, is preparing to do all kinds of work – from the smallest repairing job to a brand new boiler; work done at the shops at **Quinnesec** or, when necessary, at the mine. Prospectors and mining men should make a note of this.

Clothing, Dry Goods and Shoe Stores

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume IX, Number 47

WM. P. NEWBERRY is building a new two story building at **Quinnesec**. It will be 21x40 on the ground. The lower part will be occupied by him as a **boot and shoe store** and the second story will be used as a dwelling by his brother of the firm **NEWBERRY & JENKINS**.

Construction Services and Supplies

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 11 [Saturday, April 10, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Pat Daily [*sic*], the **mason**, has returned to **Quinnesec**, after a year's sojourn in **Iron Mountain**, a wiser man.

Drug Stores and Pharmacies

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 2 [Saturday, January 8, 1881], page 2, column 2

QUINNESEC.

Joseph Schaller, P.M. [*postmaster*], is making a palatial **post office**, [*sic*] out of the store in the rear of his handsome **drug store**. He has arched an opening between the two and charges his patrons nothing for admittance. Joe is one of the most liberal fellows in the world and never does anything by halves. What he does, he does all over.

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 45 [Thursday, March 31, 1898], page 1, column 5

Branch Drug Store.

George F. Seibert has decided to start a **branch drug store at Quinnesec** and has leased a store in the **opera house block**. An order has been placed for the outfit and goods and it is expected to open the doors to the public in about two weeks. **Will Rezin** will be manager as well as a competent pharmacist.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 47 [Thursday, April 14, 1898], page 8, column 1

Seibert is receiving the goods for his **Quinnesec drug store** and will be ready to receive customers the later part of the week.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 49 [Thursday, April 28, 1898], page 8, column 1

Henry Meyers is now in charge of **Seibert's drug store at Quinnesec**. **Mr. Seibert** will spend several hours each day at the store for the purpose of filling prescriptions.

General Merchandise Stores

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume 1, Number 2 [Saturday, January 8, 1881], page 2, column 2

QUINNESEC.

R.G. Brown, former **P.M. [postmaster]** at Q. [*Quinnesec*] and later, monarch of all he surveyed, in the **general m'dse [merchandise] line**, near **Lake Chicagon**, has emerged once more into the sunlight of advancement and a railroad, and stationed himself at **Daggett**, near **Stephenson, Mich.**, where he is prepared to dish out cedar and tan bark [*sic – tanbark*] in any shape and size that you want. The MINING NEWS is sorry to lose you R.G. from its northwestern frontier, as for a long time you seemed to be the only outpost of civilization and a square meal, in that direction.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 2 [Saturday, February 13, 1886], page 1, column 2

Wright Bro's, of **Quinnesec**, had a narrow escape from heavy loss by fire yesterday. A fire, originated by a defective chimney, got considerable headway before being discovered, and it was only by exertion that the store was saved.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 15 [Saturday, May 8, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC.

Wright Bros. are running a **general store (No. 3) at Pike station**, on the **Milwaukee & Northern R'y**.

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QUINNESEC.

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Ike Rosky [sic – Rusky] has ordered a carload of **groceries and provisions**, which he will sell in connection with his **clothing stock**, just to keep even with the other fellows.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 26 [Thursday, November 17, 1904], page 8, column 2

Andrew Cristanelli, who has conducted a **general store in the Packard building** for several months past, has closed the store and is moving the goods to **Vulcan**, where he will continue in business.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 42 [Thursday, March 9, 1905], page 5, column 3

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

The **Consolidated Mercantile company** has moved their **branch store** into the **Packard building** and in addition to their meat and grocery business have put in a line of dry goods and clothing.

Grocery Stores and Butcher Shops

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 40 [Saturday, November 7, 1885], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Andrew Anderson is about to open a **meat market** here.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 13

[Saturday, April 24, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Paddy Vail, of **Iron River**, was here on Monday last. He intends to open a **meat market** here.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 19 [Saturday, June 5, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC.

Ike Rosky [sic – Rusky] has ordered a carload of **groceries and provisions**, which he will sell in connection with his **clothing stock**, just to keep even with the other fellows.

Hardware Stores

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 42 [Saturday, November 21, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Joseph Rowe has returned to town with his family and intends starting a **tin shop** in the near future.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 20 [Thursday, October 6, 1904], page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

The firm of **Beaudette & Dandonau [sic – Dandoneau]**, hardware merchants, have [sic – has] dissolved partnership, **Mr.**

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Beaudette retiring from the business.
Peter Dandoneau will conduct the business alone in the future.

Jewelry, Gift and Music Stores

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, October 31, 1885], page 8, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Chas. Steller has removed his **jewelry establishment** back from **Iron River** to **Quinnesec**.

Lodging and Accommodations

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 8 [Saturday, January 17, 1885], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

—**John L. Buell** will have a good **hotel** at **Quinnesec** if he has to run one himself. He has just moved into the old **Quinnesec [Hotel]** which he has enlarged, renovated and re-arranged [*sic – rearranged*], and now we are going to visit the town.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, October 31, 1885], page 8, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Mrs. Smith, former proprietor of the **Oconto house**, will return the first of the month and open up at the old stand.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 40 [Saturday, November 7, 1885], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Mrs. Smith has returned and can be found at the old stand, the **Oconto house**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 41 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Mrs. McNamara will return and open a **boarding house**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 50 [Saturday, January 16, 1886], page 1, column 3

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Mr. Cleveland has bought the old **Felch restaurant** and intends starting a **first class hotel**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 12 [Saturday, April 17, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Mrs. Newberry is to open up the **Quinnesec hotel** on Monday next.

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QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Mrs. Newberry has opened the **hotel [Quinnesec Hotel]** and is enjoying a liberal patronage.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 15 [Saturday, May 8, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC.

William Felch, from **Felch Mountain**, has opened the **Quinnesec hotel**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 17 [Saturday, May 22, 1886], page 1, column 3

We received an invitation to attend the opening at the **Quinnesec Hotel**, which was given last night by **Mr. and Mrs. Felch**. We could not attend but think from past experience that we may safely say “a pleasant time was had.[”]

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 15 [Saturday, May 14, 1887], page 1, column 5

P. [Patrick] Wildman, better known to his friends as “**Paddy**,” will hereafter fill the role of landlord at the **Quinnesec Hotel**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 17 [Saturday, May 28, 1887], page 1, column 5

Jerry Donovan has gone to **Quinnesec**, [sic] to work in the **Wildman hotel**.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 29 [Thursday, December 10, 1896], page 4, column 3

John L. Buell has leased his **hotel at Quinnesec to John Stovekin, Jr.**, who is at present managing the pretty little house at the paper mills [*Niagara, Wisconsin*]. **Mr. Buell** is fortunate in securing such an excellent tenant.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 42 [Thursday, March 11, 1897], page 8, column 1

Capt. William T. Bennett, the venerable explorer, has leased the **Buell hotel at Quinnesec**, and expects to have the same in shape for the reception of guests about the first of April. It is the intention of the Captain to furnish the house second to none on the range, and conduct it in a manner that is certain to meet with the approval of the traveling public.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 43 [Thursday, March 18, 1897], page 1, column 4

Quinnesec Hotel.

Capt. William T. Bennett is at present busily engaged in purchasing the furniture for the **Quinnesec Hotel**, which he expects to open to the public about the first of April. The first two floors will be burnished at this time, but if business warrants it, the third will also be fitted up. The Captain is confident that he will make a success of the hotel business.

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 44 [Thursday, March 25, 1897], page 8, column 4

The proprietor of **Hotel de Bennett** talks of starting up a **livery stable** in connection with his hotel.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 6, Number 2 [Thursday, June 6, 1901], page 1, column 3

Leased Quinnesec Hotel.

Edward King, of this city [*Iron Mountain*], has leased the **Quinnesec Hotel** and will reopen the same to the public as soon as important improvements can be made. The hotel is to be furnished and redecorated from top to bottom. **Grossbusch, Son & Co.** have [*sic – has*] secured the contract for the new furniture and it will be of the most modern make.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 50 [Thursday, May 4, 1905], page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

Louis Anderson has bought the **Hotel Marchand** and has opened a **hotel and saloon** in the building.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 19, Number 51 [Thursday, May 6, 1915], page 7, column 6

QUINNESEC NOTES.

F.C. Marolf opened his **hotel and saloon** last Saturday, in the **Gabarie**

building. The hotel will be known as the **Quinnesec Inn**.

Machine Shops

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 47 [Saturday, November 19, 1881], page 3, column 3

THE **machine shop of C.D. Casad & Co.** in Quinnesec, [*sic*] was **burned down** on Sunday morning last. It is a heavy loss to the enterprising proprietors and also to the community. We have not learned whether the firm will rebuild or not.

Tailors, Dressmakers and Milliners

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 48 [Saturday, January 2, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Miss **Molly McDonald** of **Iron Mountain** has started a **dress maker shop**, [*sic*] here.

Communication Services

Newspapers

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 16 [Saturday, March 22, 1879], page 3, column 3

HON. JOHN L[.] BUELL, of **Quinnesec[.]** is starting a **newspaper** in his thriving young town, under the management of Mr. **PENBERTHY**, formerly of the **Menominee Herald**. The name of

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the new paper will be the **Menominee Range**. It will be independent in politics and luke warm in religious matter. The **IRON PORT** wishes it all the success imanineable [*sic – imaginable*] and hopes that it may amass stacks o' wealth, as big as the hills, which surround the charming village.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 17 [Saturday, March 29, 1879], page 3, column 2

WE are in receipt of the initial number of the **Menominee Range**, – the **new paper published at Quinnesec**. It is a five column, four page sheet and is neatly printed. It starts out with a very liberal share of patronage, in the way of advertising. The **IRON PORT** sincerely wishes it all the success that is commensurate with its merits.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 9 [Saturday, February 26, 1881], page 3, column 3

PENBERTHY, he who was *formerly* of the **Range**, ventured with two supporters – one of whom at least was armed with a corn cob pipe – to interview us in the quiet hours of last Monday evening. In explanation of his conduct, he stated that he had **sold out the Menominee Range office, to Carl L. Wendel, of Norway**, and that he was to take charge of the office under **Carl's** dictation, until the 10th day of march [*sic – March*] A.D. 1881. After which time he will accepted [*sic – accept*] a salary to continue the management of the **Range**, with **Carl** as a mentor, for an indefinite period. His explanation being satisfactory, we permitted him to depart without molestation.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 42 [Saturday, October 15, 1881], page 3, column 2

OUR contemporary, the **Menominee Range**, has been enlarged and much improved in appearance.

THE **Quinnesec Range** wants a new county. Or, in other words, it wants **Menominee county** divided, and probably would not be averse [*sic – adverse*] to having the county seat of the new county at its place of existence. It also says some harsh things about being “ruled by mob law,” etc.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 1 [Saturday, December 31, 1881], page 4, column 2

H.S. SWIFT, formerly editor on the **Range**[,] is to **start a paper at Quinnesec** in a short time.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 2 [Saturday, January 7, 1882], page 3, column 2

THE **Quinnesec Reporter**, [*sic*] is said to be the name of the coming paper at Quinnesec. The **MINING NEWS** wishes it success.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 27 [Saturday, July 1, 1882], page 1, column 5

H.S. SWIFT, the **proprietor of the Quinnesec Reporter**[,] has purchased the **office of the Menominee Range and will**

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remove it to Iron Mountain. The energetic village is a fine point for a newspaper and the citizens will have as good a paper as the **Reporter**, if not better.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 40 [Saturday, September 30, 1882], page 1, column 6

THE **Quinnesec Reporter** has been discontinued. We have not learned whether a new paper will start there or not. Although a bright newsy paper, yet it seemed best for **Mr. Swift's** interest to combine both his papers – the **Reporter** and the **Range**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 13, Number 44 [Saturday, September 30, 1882], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

– The publication of the **Reporter**, [sic] at **Quinnesec** has been suspended. It had ceased to be remunerative.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 39 [Thursday, February 18, 1897], page 8, column 2

The **Dickinson County Herald** made its appearance at **Quinnesec** last Friday. **James Fitzgibbon** [sic – **Fitzgibbons**] and **Ted McKenna** are the publishers. It presents an attractive appearance in its first form, and we hope it may prove a success.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 2 [Thursday, June 3, 1897], page 8, column 3

It is said that **James Fitzgibbons** has withdrawn from the **Quinnesec Herald**.

Crime

Crime – Disturbing the Peace

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 38 [Saturday, October 24, 1885], page 8, column 1

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Some days ago a **lumberman** visited this quiet burg, and at once started in to paint the town a deep vermilion. **Officer Manning** corraled [sic – *corralled*] him and placed him in the city refrigerator to cool off. He broke jail and regained his liberty, but the officer soon had him locked up again. **Justice Friedrich** levied a good assessment on him the following day.

Crime – Robbery

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 8, Number 32 [Thursday, December 31, 1903], page 8, column 4

A bold attempt *was made* to **hold up the stage between Niagara and Quinnesec**, last Saturday. **J. Barry, the driver**, saw two men ahead in the road and thought they acted suspiciously. He started the horses up at a lively trot and just as he went by they attacked him. He was struck in the back of the head by some blunt instrument and was rendered unconscious. When he recovered his horses were on a wild gallop and he was just entering the town of **Quinnesec**. **All the valuables were still on the stage and the money he carried was intact**. The horses had saved

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the day for him, the robbers being unable to overtake them. The driver had several hundred dollars on his person.

Crime – Vagrancy and Tramps

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 52 [Saturday, January 30, 1886], page 1, column 2

Frozen.

Some day [*sic* – *days*] ago a man named **John Haley**, a **half-witted tramp**, came into **Quinnesec** in a **frozen condition**, and he has since been under the guardianship of **Supt. of the Poor Hay**. He has two badly frozen feet, and it is thought that amputation may be necessary. The man is evidently about 35 years old, and at first claimed to be 81, but by persistent effort **Supt. Hay** has been enabled to get him down to 61, and there he sticks.

Educational Facilities

Public Library and Reading Room

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 49 [Saturday, January 9, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

We would like to get back the **library** which **Iron Mountain** appropriated, as our **population has increased 70 percent. [*sic*] in six months.**

Public School System

See Dickinson County History – Public and Private Schools – Breitung Township and Dickinson County History – Public and Private Schools – Listing of Rural School Teachers.

Entertainment

Bands and Orchestras

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 13, Number 48 [Saturday, October 28, 1882], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

–The Quinnesec band serenaded Hon. Edward Breitung on Wednesday evening and that gentleman presented the band with \$100 and promised each member a new uniform. – *Range*.

Dance Halls, Dances and Balls

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 4 [Saturday, December 23, 1882], page 8, column 1

RANGE ITEMS.

–**Hon. John L. Buell** will give his annual **New Years' [*sic* – *Year's*] reception** at his **opera house at Quinnesec** on Friday, December 29. To any reader who may be so fortunate as to receive an invitation we have but one word to offer: go. There's always a good time when John L. "spreads himself."

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column 3

Entertainment and Ball.

A grand entertainment and dance, participated in by **Quinnesec, Norway** and **Iron Mountain** talent, will take place on the evening of Easter Tuesday, at **Buell's opera hall**. The following programme will be rendered at the entertainment:

Chorus – **Misses Wicks, Congdon and Hawley, Messrs. Wicks, Jones, James, Keyes and Spencer.**

Vocal Solo – **S. McKenna.**

Recitation – **N. Corbet.**

Instrumental Solo – **Mrs. Schuldes.**

Vocal Solo – **Mrs. Wright.**

Recitation – **Miss McLelland.**

Violin Solo – **Prof. Radinsky.**

Vocal – **Mrs. Kimball.**

Recitation – **Miss McKenna.**

Chorus – **Misses Wicks, Congdon and Hawley, Messrs. Wicks, Jones, James, Keyes and Spencer.**

The following are the ball committees:

Arrangements – **J. McKenna, H. McLaughlin, J.H. Gee.**

Floor Managers – **J.D. Jones, E.H. Lieberthal, Richard Sampson, E. Fisher.**

Reception Committee – **H. DeVere, J. O'Callaghan, F. Trudell.**

Music will be furnished by *[the]* **Escanaba band.**

Tickets \$1 per couple, children 10 cents.
Doors open at 7:30 P.M. Concert commences at 8 o'clock sharp.

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Michigan, Volume I, Number 33
[Saturday, September 19, 1885], page
1, column 4

A Social Hop.

Quite a party of young folks drove up from **Norway** to **Quinnesec** Wednesday evening and, with the young people of the latter place, indulged in a **social hop**. Everything passed off pleasantly, even to inviting the **colored population of Norway** to take a walk. As reported to THE CURRENT, **Polk**, our very accommodating **colored barber**, filed an appearance at the hop. This so incensed some of those present, especially the ladies, that a committee of one was appointed to inform him that his presence was not desired. Polk was accordingly invited to make himself scarce, which he did in great shape.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Michigan, Volume I, Number 40
[Saturday, November 7, 1885], page 1,
column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

A **dancing school** has been opened in the **old drug store** with **Prof. Tom McCune** in charge.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9,
Number 19 [Thursday, October 6, 1904],
page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

The two main spans of the new bridge are completed, and the bridge men will celebrate the event by giving a dance at Buell's Opera House to-morrow *[sic – tomorrow]* night. Two hundred invitations have been issued and a good time is anticipated.

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 39 [Thursday, February 16, 1905], page 5, column 2

[Saturday, January 2, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

The **masquerade ball** given by **Beaudette's orchestra** of this village at **Buell's opera house**, last Friday evening, was a huge success, both socially and financially. **Beaudette's orchestra** furnished very satisfactory music for the occasion. **Quinnesec** has long boasted of a **first class dance hall**, and now that they have good music right in town, it is to be hoped that there will be more dances here in the future. After the grand march at twelve o'clock, everyone went over to the **town-hall**, where an excellent supper was served. All who attended say they spent a very pleasant evening. Over seventy-five couples being present, Miss **Eveline Massie** was awarded the honor of having the best ladies' [*sic – lady's*] costume, **Victor Legault** the best gent's costume; and **Wm. Tippett** the best comic costume.

The **Temperance society** is doing a good business, and so are the **saloon keepers**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 15 [Saturday, May 8, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC.

The **young ladies of the temperance society** have decided to boycott every young man that may be seen going into a **saloon (ice-cream saloons excepted)**. That is, they will not keep company with any such young men.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 19 [Saturday, June 5, 1886], page 1, column 3

Fraternal Organizations and Clubs

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 45 [Saturday, September 12, 1885], page 1, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

A **Temperance society** has been lately organized in this place which will hold **weekly meetings at the opera house**. Reform is necessary.

The **Masonic Social** at **Buell's Opera House, Quinnesec**, last night, was a grand affair. **Norway, Vulcan and Iron Mountain** were all liberally represented, about sixty couples being in attendance[.] **Bouton's Band** with the addition of **Prof. Bice**, of **Alpena**, delighted the pleasure seekers with their best music, and nearly all present did ample justice to the good supper provided by **Mr. and Mrs. Felch** at the **Quinnesec Hotel**.

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Opera Houses and Theaters

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Number 6 [Saturday, February 5, 1881],
page 3, column 3

HON. JOHN L. BUELL, [sic] is fitting up his **Opera House**, at **Quinnesec**, in the most approved style. The stage, including the green rooms, will be 18x45 feet. The entire stage scenery is being made in Chicago and the drop curtain will represent a magnificent view of the **Lower Quinnesec Falls**. This painting, as we are informed, will be well worth the price of an ordinary admission ticket.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 6 [Saturday, January 6, 1883], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–“Quarter less twain,” a volunteer correspondent from **Quinnesec**, gives us the following item: A **go-as-you-please match**, distance 25 miles, between **W.S. Dunham of Iron Mountain**, and one **Blackwood** of the same place, came off on the evening of Jan. 3, at **Buell’s opera house**. Both men were well backed with money and the match was closely contested as may be judged by the time – three hours and fifty five minutes – **Dunham** winning although **Blackwood** was the favorite in the betting until near the close. Another match, **May Marshall** and Norway’s unknown for ten miles, fair heel and toe, was advertised, but the unknown failed to materialize. Dunham and Blackwood will probably try again, many of the backers of the latter being still confident that he can get away with “the lightning jerker” in a go-as-you-please match.

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[Saturday, October 31, 1885], page 8,
column 2

QUINNESEC’S QUOTUM.

Buell’s opera house will be opened as a **roller skating rink** each Friday evening in [the] future, commencing Nov. 6th. The **Knight Brothers** have the enterprise in hand.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 41 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC’S QUOTUM.

Currently reported that **John L. Sullivan** is to give a **sparring exhibition** in **Buell’s opera house** next month.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 19 [Thursday, October 6, 1904], page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

The two main spans of the new bridge are completed, and the bridge men will celebrate the event by giving a **dance at Buell’s Opera House** to-morrow [sic – tomorrow] night. Two hundred invitations have been issued and a good time is anticipated.

Restaurants and Nightclubs

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 35 [Saturday, September 25, 1886], page 1, column 5

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QUINNESEC.

John St. Dennis is making preparations to run an **oyster saloon and restaurant** in connection with his other business.

Taverns and Saloons

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 16 [Saturday, April 16, 1881], page 3, column 2

ROD BURRIO is building a **new sample room [saloon]** in **Quinnesec** – just west of the **Quinnesec Hotel**. Size 23x60 feet.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, October 31, 1885], page 8, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

John Thomas, of the **Indiana [Indiana Mine]**, and **Frank Highland**, of **Iron Mountain**, have opened a **saloon** in the **old bakery**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 40 [Saturday, November 7, 1885], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Paddy Wildman will open a **saloon** in **Tom Riley's old stand**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 42 [Saturday, November 21, 1885], page 1, column 5

Paddy Wildman has opened up a **saloon and billard hall** in **Riley's old building at Quinnesec**, and would be pleased to see any of his old friends. See his card in another column.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 12 [Saturday, April 17, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Six saloons after the first of May, and just one store.

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QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Brooks & Morrison are to open up a **saloon** in **Pat. McKenna's building**, on May 1st.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 15 [Saturday, May 14, 1887], page 8, column 1

FLORENCE.

Wm. Brook, formerly of **Quinnesec**, has opened up a **saloon** in the **Beauchamp building**.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 42 [Thursday, March 9, 1905], page 5, column 3

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

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Cooligan Bros. have removed their **saloon** from the **Marchand building** to the **Quinnesec Hotel building**.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 50 [Thursday, May 4, 1905], page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

Quinnesec has two new saloons this spring. John Jennings and Wesley Pierce have opened a **saloon** in the **McKenna building** on the corner and **John Carey** and **Arthur Brooks** in the **hotel building**.

Humorous Incidents

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 6 [Saturday, February 5, 1881], page 3, column 4

THE Norway *Iron Chronicle* says “that a **ghost has been seen on the county road between Norway and Quinnesec**, at a locality on the hill near the plains. **Ben Marchau [sic – Marchand]**, for one[,] saw his ghostship. He says that one night about 12 o’clock while he was driving home from Norway an object bearing the resemblance of a man robed in white with a stream of blood coursing down his face appeared a few feet off, and that his horse stopped and trembled and would not proceed until the apparition, or whatever it was, vanished. He says it wasted away like a fog. Others, too, claim to have seen the same thing and at this particular place.”

Sakes alive! are not six libel suits enough, but you must have a ghost gallivanting about, and that too, in such weather, as this?

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 36 [Saturday, September 3, 1881], page 3, column 2

WE are told that a man’s body is three-fourths composed of water, but it is hard to believe this of the Quinnesec man.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, September 24, 1881], page 3, column 2

WHEN a Quinnesec man wanted his picture in an heroic attitude, the photographer took him when he was refusing a drink.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 20, Number 11 [Thursday, July 29, 1915], page 6, column 4

QUINNESEC NOTES.

Dan Fraker has an **unusually intelligent horse**. It goes to a **water hydrant**, paws a hole in the ground with its hoof and opens the shut-off with its teeth, letting the water runs [*sic – run*] into the hole. When the animal has finished drinking it shuts off the water again. This seems almost incredible, but is vouched for by a Methodist minister and four ladies who saw the act.

Industry

Pulp Mills

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column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

A gentleman from **Oshkosh** is here looking the place over and will probably build a **pulp mill** here.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 17 [Thursday, September 16, 1897], page 1, column 3

AT QUINNESEC FALLS.

Some Large Addition to the Paper Manufacturing Plant Contemplated.

C.B. Pride returned from **Marinette** this afternoon and left for the **Lower Quinnesec Falls**, where he has an appointment with the officers of the **paper manufacturing plant**. While **Mr. Pride** declined to state the object of the meeting, it is learned that it is called for the purpose of adopting plans for some large additions to the plant. It is pretty well-known that the **Vilas-Frambach syndicate** has no interest of rebuilding the mills recently destroyed by fire at **Kaukauna**, and the insurance money will undoubtedly be employed in enlarging the plant in this county. Another rumor, which we print for what *[it]* is worth, is in circulation to the effect that the company is considering an offer for the purchase of the plant.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 24 [Thursday, November 4, 1897], page 1, column 3

A LARGE ADDITION.

The Capability of the Quinnesec Falls Paper Plant to Be More Than Doubled.

Last week the gentlemen comprising the **Quinnesec Falls Paper company** were paid the sum of \$150,000, the same being the amount of insurance carried on the plant of the company recently destroyed by fire at **Kaukauna**. This large sum is to be utilized in the very near future in **enlarging the mills at Quinnesec Falls to more than double their present capacity**. Indeed, **Architect Pride**, of **Appleton**, is at present engaged in preparing plans for the enlargement. The company has sufficient water power under control at present to drive almost ten times the amount of machinery now in service. There is also a **probability of the company platting a townsite [Niagara, Wisconsin] in the immediate vicinity of the mills**, but it has not yet been decided definitely.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 30 [Thursday, December 16, 1897], page 1, column 5

Paper Mill Magnets *[sic – Magnates]*.

Col. H.A. Frambach, of **Kaukaunee**, president of the **Quinnesec Falls Paper company**, **F.A. Shattuck**, of **Neenah**, a partner in the **Kimberly-Clark company**, **P.A. Thom**, of **Appleton**, and **W.A. Stewart**, of **Neenah**, who are heavily interested in the manufacture of paper, spent yesterday at the **Falls** inspecting the mills, dining last night at the **Wood [Hotel]**

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Wood in Iron Mountain]. The gentlemen were non-committal [*sic – committal*] as to their errand, but The Press learns from another source that a plan is on foot for a **re-organization of the Quinnesec company with greatly increased capital stock.** If this is done the capacity of the plant will be more than doubled.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 38 [Thursday, February 10, 1898], page 1, column 4

IMPORTANT MILL SALE.

Quinnesec Falls Property to Change Hands – Kimberly Co. Negotiating for It.

An important negotiation is in progress and will probably be settled this week, whereby **the paper and pulp mill at the Quinnesec Falls company will be transferred to the Kimberly & Clark company.** At the offices of these companies in **Neenah and Kaukauna**, it is admitted that the negotiation is going on, but no details would be divulged. From other authoritative sources, however, it is learned that the terms of the sale have been agreed to, and all that now remains to be done is to look up the necessary titles and complete the final signing of the papers.

It has been known in inside circles that the **Kimberly & Clark company** has wished to possess the mill property on account of the water power which will enable them to make a sufficient quantity of wood pulp to protect their other mills during seasons when wood pulp is scarce or difficult to work on the **Fox River.**

At present the **Quinnesec mill** is provided with six large pulp grinders, with places arranged for in the mill for nine more. It is understood it is the intention of the **Kimberly & Clark company** to add these grinders, so that by next fall the pulp department may have a capacity of sixty tons a day. The paper department of the mill is at present outfitted with one paper machine, and no change in the paper-making department is contemplated just now. It is probable that in the course of a year the paper mill may also be thoroughly improved and added to.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 40 [Thursday, February 24, 1898], page 1, column 3

A New Superintendent.

W.H. Ryan, formerly in charge of the **Kimberly-Clark company's mills at Kimberly**, near **Neenah**, will act as **superintendent of the Quinnesec Falls mills** just purchased by that company.

Tanneries

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 42 [Saturday, November 21, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

A gentleman named **Goimes** [*sic – Grimes*] of **Chicago** has been looking over the town the past week. He will build a **tannery** on the **old base-ball** [*sic – baseball*] ground.

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QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Mr, [sic – Mr.] Grimes[,] the man who is going to build the **tannery**[,] has commenced work, [sic] on the **base ball** [sic – **baseball**] ground.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 45 [Saturday, December 12, 1885], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Mr. Grims [sic – Grimes] has the foundation of his new building laid.

Professional Services

Health (Doctors, Dentists, Hospitals)

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 24 [Saturday, June 11, 1881], page 3, column 4

THAT dread disease – **smallpox** – has made its appearance at **Quinnesec**. Two cases have occurred which are said to be of a very aggravated virulent form. The authorities have been dealing with the matter promptly and had the two patients removed to a place of safety where they can receive prompt medical attendance. It is sincerely to be hoped that no more cases will occur, and that the loathsome disease will be confined to these two cases. **The persons afflicted are a brother and sister who have lately come to this country from England.**

Legal (Attorneys, Justice of the Peace)

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QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

It is reported that **James Duran** is soon to open a **law office** in town.

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QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Reported that **Anse Wright** is to be our next justice of the peace.

Personal (Barbers, Beauticians, Etc.)

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 19 [Thursday, September 29, 1904], page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

Chas. Paquette has sold his **barber shop** to **Carl Hanson**. **Mr. Paquette** and family will move to **Menominee**.

Undertakers and Funeral Directors

Recreational Facilities

Ice Skating and Roller Rinks

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QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Take your girls to the **roller rink** next
Friday evening.

Buell's opera house will be opened as
a **roller skating rink** each Friday evening
in [*the*] future, commencing Nov. 6th. The
Knight Brothers have the enterprise in
hand.

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column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Notwithstanding the horrible state of the
weather last Friday night the attendance at
the **opening of the roller rink** was large.
The rink will have a large patronage this
winter.

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column 2

Quite a crowd of our young people
visited **Knight Brothers' roller rink at
Quinnesec** last night. It is so long since
Quinnesec has furnished any evidence of
life that we are disposed to encourage it.

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Michigan, Volume I, Number 50
[Saturday, January 16, 1886], page 1,
columns 3-4

There were 25 couples last Friday night
from **Iron Mountain**, who attended the
roller rink. Mr. rink man, bring some more
skates next Friday. This is no one-horse
town.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Michigan, Volume II, Number 4
[Saturday, February 27, 1886], page 1,
column 4

NOTICE!

To meet the popular demand, the **Roller
Rink at Quinnesec** will be opened on
Wednesday and Saturday evenings of each
week, instead of Friday evening, as
heretofore. Every effort will be made to
please our patrons.

KNIGHT BROS.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
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column 2

—We learn that a **roller rink** will be
opened at **Quinnesec** to-night [*sic* –
tonight], and that a **bus will be run** for this
place [*Norway*] to accommodate those who
still hanker for a wrestle with the tricky little
wheels.

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column 2

—We learn that the attendance at the
Quinnesec skating rink on Saturday
evening last, [*sic*] was very good
considering the fact that the craze has
somewhat abated.

Race Track

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[Saturday, July 10, 1886], page 1,
column 6

QUINNESEC.

A number of gentlemen talk of **making a race track**, and **Mr. Buell has offered to donate the site**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Michigan, Volume II, Number 25
[Saturday, July 17, 1886], page 1,
column 6

QUINNESEC.

Money has been subscribed with which to make a **race track**.

Fisk and **Turner** are soon to be heard from, relative to the speed of their respective **trotters**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
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[Saturday, August 21, 1886], page 1,
column 3

The **Menominee Range Trotting Association** has been organized, with **H.G. Fisk** as president, and **A.F. Wright** secretary and treasurer. A **half mile track is being made at Quinnesec**, and everything will be put in excellent shape for trotting purposes. The association is a stock concern and parties wishing to purchase shares can do so by applying to the president or secretary and treasurer. – Range.

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column 3

QUINNESEC.

Work is being rushed on the **new race course**. The grounds will be enclosed by a fence 10 feet high.

Some of the men who have been at work clearing ground for the **trace track** are said to be anxious to take stock in the association.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County,
Michigan, Volume II, Number 32
[Saturday, September 4, 1886], page 8,
column 2

QUINNESEC.

The **new race track** was formally opened this week by a race between a cow and a mule.

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1, column 6

QUINNESEC.

On Monday morning a **strike occurred on the new trotting park**. It appears that the men who have been at work there came from the old country this summer, but they refused to work with some new men, on the grounds that the new comers were foreigners – **Supt. Felch** allowed the Americans (?) to go, and kept the foreigners.

On Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24th and 25th, the **Quinnesec Trotting Association will open up their new park**. The opening, Friday, will be for the purpose of receiving and arranging entries for a grand

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Cornish Wrestling Match, for which \$80 in prizes will be given. On Saturday the wrestling will be finished, and **three prizes will then be trotted for by the noted flyers of the range.** A **base ball [sic – baseball] game** will also be played, but at this writing it is not certain what the prize will be, or how many clubs will contend.

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QUINNESEC.

A couple of **ladies from Iron Mountain** came down on Wednesday, and **drove their trotter around the course** at about a 2:10 gait.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 34 [Saturday, September 18, 1886], page 1, columns 5-6

QUINNESEC.

The **racess, wrestling and ball game will take place at the driving park**, as announced in our last [issue], on Friday and Saturday next, and a full attendance is expected. Turn out, and give us a benefit.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 35 [Saturday, September 25, 1886], page 1, column 4

POSTPONED.

A special to THE CURRENT, received this (Friday) P.M., announces that, owing to the continued wet weather, the **racess, games, and wrestling contests at the Driving Park, Quinnesec**, have been

postponed until Friday and Saturday of next week.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 35 [Saturday, September 25, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC.

A **horse driven by W.W. Felch ran away on the track** on Thursday and getting entirely beyond control circled the course five times before he concluded to stop. **Felch** is still alive and will recover.

Billy Turner and his **trotters** arrived this evening (Thursday.) [sic]

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 36 [Saturday, October 2, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC.

W.W. Felch has **recovered from his injuries** and will be all right for Saturday[']s race.

The **race for horses of the 3rd class**, or those entered for third prize, was trotted yesterday, and was won by **Snowball**, owned by **M. Farrel [sic – Farrell] of Norway**, and driven by **Nap. [Napoleon] Toutloff**. The other races and wrestling is in order to-day [sic – today].

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 37 [Saturday, October 9, 1886], page 1, column 2

–The **horse racing and wrestling at the driving park** were finished on Saturday last, and the result [sic – results] of the two

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days' meet were as follows. Racing, 1st prize, **Lady Rundle**, owned by **Rundle Bros.**, of **Iron Mountain**; 2nd prize, **Hattie**, owned by **James H. Bush**, of **Norway**; 3rd prize, **Snowball**, owned by **M. Farrell**, of **Norway**. Good time was made, when the newness and somewhat unsettled condition of the track is taken into consideration, and this track will yet be a source of much pleasure and profit to the gentlemen who compose the association. Some disappointment was felt because of the inability of **Wm. Turner's horse, Kin**, to trot in his usual form, but the horse was sick, and the driver knowing it, went under the wire in the first heat, contrary to his better judgment. The wrestling was, to use the words of a man who knows, "a pretty bit o' sport," and the best of feeling and good-fellowship prevailed throughout. The prizes were as follows: 1st, **John Clemens**, of **Iron Mountain**; 2d [*sic* – 2nd], **Frank Stevens**, of **Ishpeming**; 3d [*sic* – 3rd], **John Curnow**, of **Iron Mountain**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 14 [Saturday, May 7, 1887], page 1, column 3

–It is expected that a meeting of the **Menominee Range Trotting association**, [*sic*] will take place at **Quinnesec Driving Park** during the coming week, but ye reporter has been unable to find any one [*sic* – anyone] who could say if it would occur on the 13th, or 14th, (Friday or Saturday). Our local sports are getting their horses into condition and will doubtless be one hand for a share of the purses.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 15 [Saturday, May 14, 1887], page 1, column 4

The Races.

We go to press too early to give the **result of the races** under the auspices of the **Menominee Range Trotting association**, at **Quinnesec**, yesterday. All we can say is that **Billy Turner**, of **Vulcan**, carried home first money, **Rundle Bros.**, of **Iron Mountain**, second, and **J.H. Bush**, of **Norway**, third, in the first race. If the association wishes to draw the public to witness future races; [*sic* – ,] it might be well to name the location of the "park" on the posters.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 19 [Saturday, June 11, 1887], page 1, column 4

Horse Trotting.

There will be a "**hoss tort**" [*horse trot*] at **Quinnesec** on Wednesday next, the 15th inst. [*of this month*] \$105 will be offered as prizes and the races will begin at 3:30 P.M. There will be two classes of races, \$70 being offered in 1st class, and \$35 in 2nd. Do not fail to attend, as it no doubt will be an enjoyable affair. The races will of course be under management of the **Menominee Range Trotting Association**, and the gentlemen connected therewith have a faculty of making "everything pleasant and successful."

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The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 14 [Saturday, June 25, 1891], page 5, column 3

THE race track at **Quinnesec** has been leased by **Ben Merchant** [*sic – Marchand*] and is now undergoing a thorough course of repair. On July 4 it is expected that **Quinnesec** will be the scene of much activity and amusement as there will be no celebration in this city [*Iron Mountain*] while at the track there will be some very good horse races, foot races, bicycle races and contests of various kinds. Extensive preparations for a big time are being made and **Quinnesec** will probably see more people on the "4th" than it has in the year past.

Sports

Baseball

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 7 [Thursday, May 9, 1889], page 8, column 1

QUINNESEC.

There is talk of organizing a **base ball** [*sic – baseball*] club at this place, with the following players and their respective positions: 1st base, **Mellen**; 2nd base, **Wildman**; 3rd base, **McCune**; S.S. [*shortstop*], **Matson**; R.F. [*right field*], **Morrison**; L.F. [*left field*], **Manning**; C.F. [*center field*], **Neudert**; pitcher, **Tom McKenna**; catcher, **Ben Merchant** [*sic – Marchand*].

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Basketball

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 39 [Thursday, February 16, 1905], page 5, column 2

QUINNESEC ITEMS.

The boys' and girls' basket ball [*sic* – *basketball*] teams arranged for a double matched game with the high school teams at Norway to-morrow [*sic* – *tomorrow*] night. The teams on both sides are in good practice and an exciting game is anticipated.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 40 [Thursday, February 23, 1905], page 5, column 2

The basket ball [*sic* – *basketball*] games last Friday evening, between the Quinnesec Ladies [*sic* – *Ladies'*] team and the Norway Club Ladies' team, and between the Quinnesec men's team and the Norway Club team, attracted a large crowd of spectators. Both sides played a close game, but the Quinnesec teams were at a disadvantage in not being used to the Norway baskets, and the Norway teams won both games. The score of the ladies' games was 6 to 5 and in the men's game 11 to 2. A return game, to be played at Quinnesec, will be arranged soon.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 20, Number 39 [Thursday, February 10, 1916], page 5, column 3

QUINNESEC NOTES.

The basket ball [*sic* – *basketball*] team of the Garfield school has played three games this season and won them all. The first, with the eighth grade team at the Hulst school at Iron Mountain, score 24 to 0 in favor of Quinnesec. The second, with the Indiana Mine team, score 12 to 0. The last game with the Vulcan team, score 32 to 20.

Racing (Bicycle, Foot, Horse, Etc.)

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 6 [Saturday, January 6, 1883], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–“Quarter less twain,” a volunteer correspondent from Quinnesec, gives us the following item: A go-as-you-please match, distance 25 miles, between W.S. Dunham of Iron Mountain, and one Blackwood of the same place, came off on the evening of Jan. 3, at Buell's opera house. Both men were well backed with money and the match was closely contested as may be judged by the time – three hours and fifty five minutes – Dunham winning although Blackwood was the favorite in the betting until near the close. Another match, May Marshall and Norway's unknown for ten miles, fair heel and toe, was advertised, but the unknown failed to materialize. Dunham and Blackwood will probably try again, many of the backers of the latter being still confident that he can get away with “the lightning jerker” in a go-as-you-please match.

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 8, Number 15 [Thursday, September 3, 1903], page 1, column 1

Quinnesec Races.

The **races at Quinnesec** on Monday next – **Labor Day** promise to be the best held on the range in many years. Already a strong field of horses have been entered and there will be half a dozen starters in each race. Entries have been received from five counties. The contests are sure to be exciting.

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 8, Number 16 [Thursday, September 10, 1903], page 1, column 4

Quinnesec Celebration.

The downpour of rain, continuing throughout the day, greatly interfered with the elaborate program prepared for the **Labor Day celebration at Quinnesec**. It was decided to declare off all the sporting events but the races. The speed contests resulted as follows: Running race, **Kate**, by **H. Van Gorder, Quinnesec**, first; **Cap**, by **D. Bjornson, Norway**, second; **Governor**, by **Clint Turner, Vulcan**, third. Free for all, trot or pace, **Helen Wood**, by **Richard Petrow, Marquette**, first; **Little Bertha**, by **Robert Munz, Crystal Falls**, second; **Emma G.**, by **H. Van Gorder, Quinnesec**, third; **Frank**, by **A.W. Wilson, Niagara**, fourth. Three-minute trot, **Santiago**, by **Joseph Perron, Escanaba**, first; **Broncho Bill**, by **Joseph Legendre, Norway**, second; **Frank**, by **A.W. Wilson**, third. All the contests were close and exciting. Later in the season it is proposed to hold a great **wrestling meet at Quinnesec** with purses sufficiently large to attract the best talent in the country.

Wrestling

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 42 [Saturday, October 15, 1881], page 3, column 3

THE **wrestling match, Cornish style**, at **Quinnesec**, on Saturday last, between **Johns** of that place, and **Perry** of **Norway**, was won by the latter. The match was for \$50 a side. Another contest has been

arranged for to-day [*sic – today*] between **Tom Carkeet** [*sic – Karkeet*], ex-champion of the Upper Peninsula, and **Peter Carline**, to take place at **Norway**. Tom is crowding three score years pretty closely [*sic – closely*], but we miss our guess if he don't [*sic – doesn't*] crowd his antagonist a good deal closer.

Transportation Services

Blacksmiths and Harnessmakers

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 36 [Saturday, October 10, 1885], page 1, column 6

QUINNESEC JOTTINGS.

Joe Jerue [*sic – Gerioux,*] our popular **blacksmith**[,] has fallen heir to a tract of land as large as Menominee county, and \$700,000 in cash.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 40 [Saturday, November 7, 1885], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Joe Gerioux is building an addition to his **blacksmith shop**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 41 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

Joe Gerioux has sent to Canada for a tobaggon [*sic – toboggan*].

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Livery Stables and Sale Barns

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 11 [Saturday, April 10, 1886], page 1, column 5

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Tom McKenna has bought a **span of Indian ponies**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 11 [Saturday, April 10, 1886], page 1, column 2

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

On or about the 10th of April the **Hartmann Bros.** will ship a car load [*sic – carload*] of **fresh milch [variant of “milk”] cows** to the Range. All parties in need of such will find a good bargain by calling on

HENRY HARTMANN, JR.
Quinnesec, Mich.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 15 [Saturday, May 8, 1886], page 1, column 2

QUINNESEC.

See the notice of **Hartmann Bros.** in this paper. They have **cows for sale** that will not only give satisfaction but milk.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 15 [Saturday, May 8, 1886], page 1, column 2

TAKE NOTICE!

The Hartmann Bros. will ship their second car-load [*sic – carload*] of fresh milk cows to the range, which will arrive at Quinnesec on Saturday, May 8th. These gentlemen have had many years' experience in dealing in livestock, especially Milch Cows, and guarantee to give satisfaction to every purchaser. They will sell good milkers at reasonable figures. For a bargain call on

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Railroads

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 42 [Saturday, October 15, 1881], page 2, column 3

Marquette county – Excavated from the *Mining Journal*:

Mr. **P.J. Noonan**, late **weigh-master of the M.H. & O. railroad** here, has been appointed **station agent of the C. & N.W. R'y company at Quinnesec**. Mr. Noonan has served long and faithfully in his old employ; has hosts of warm friends in the city and along the line, all of whom will regret his departure, and who can see no cause for the change unless it be to secure lighter work – that of weigh-master being one which requires constant toil from sunrise till the late hours at night.

Roads

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 24 [Saturday, June 11, 1881], page 3, column 3

JOHN L. BUELL, of **Quinnesec**, has just completed a **boulevard to the river**. It

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is finished after the excellent manner in which John L. builds all his roads, and what makes it nicer yet for the citizens, he **paid for the whole of it out of his own pocket.**

Stage Line

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 28 [Saturday, July 9, 1881], page 3, column 4

DANIEL HALL is the “**boss**” **teamster of this section of the country**, and we Florentines justly take pride in him. He is the one who used to snake us **up and back from Quinnesec in the stage coach**, through the unfathomable mud, a year ago and always brought us through on time if our back bone [*sic – backbone*] held together and if it didn't, delivered us in sections, at our destination according to agreement, every time. He is reliable, and whatever he undertakes to do he does it. **His latest achievement has been to transport a saw mill, boiler, machinery and everything else connected with it, from here to Crystal Falls.** One piece – the boiler – weighed nearly five tons, with the wagon, and other loads were almost as heavy. In order to carry such extraordinary weights, bridges had to be strengthened, corduroys [*sic – corduroys*] repaired, and in some cases new roads made, but “Dan” overcame all these difficulties and landed everything on the ground in good order, without breaking a hamestrap or a whiffle tree [*sic - whiffletree*] and **all this was done with one wagon and four horses.**

Transportation-Related Accidents

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume

XIII, Number 8 [Thursday, May 14, 1891], page 1, column 5

A SAD accident occurred at **Quinnesec** on Saturday last and it may result in the death of Miss **Jennie McKenna**. It seems that a **party of young people were departing on a picnic** and as one of the rigs was quite overcrowded Miss McKenna stepped into a buggy which was occupied by only one person. The party started but on the way the horse after which Miss McKenna was riding became frightened and started to run away. In attempting to stop the animal one of the reins broke near the horse's head and the driver lost all control of the now fast flying horse. The driver told the young lady to jump for her life but before she could obey this injunction she was thrown violently to the ground, head downward. The result was that the unfortunate young lady **sustained a serious fracture of the skull** and since that time has been in a very precarious condition. The physicians in attendance have succeeded in removing several small pieces of the skull and it is barely possible that Miss McKenna may recover. Since the accident she has been most carefully cared for by many kind friends and it would indeed be a bitter blow should she be carried away.

Utilities

Electrical Power Supply

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 41 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

We are soon to have an **electric light.**

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 43 [Thursday, March 8, 1917], page 4, column 3

QUINNESEC NOTES.

There is a movement on foot to **install electric lights in our village**, the power to come via the **Indiana mine**. A petition is being circulated and it seems probable that the matter will be successfully carried to completion. This will make **Quinnesec** an up-to-date village, having waterworks, concrete walks and all the convenience enjoyed by cities much larger.

Village Government

Ordinances

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 30 [Saturday, August 21, 1886], page 8, column 3

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

Notices have been posted up warning people that all **hogs must be shut up**. There are hogs in town that should have been shut up years ago.

Police Department and Jail

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 51 [Saturday, January 23, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC QUOTUM.

There is some talk of moving the **lock-up** to the hill. Let it alone[,] the poor prisoners are cold enough now.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 16 [Saturday, May 15, 1886], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC.

On Tuesday morning, at 5 o'clock, the **village lock-up was found to be on fire**, and a prisoner confined in it barely escaped with his life. The water-works were all right and the building could have been saved, but some leading citizen of the town had borrowed the hose and forgot to return it, and all that could be done was to watch the building burn. The greatest loss will be to **Tom McKenna's pigs**, they having their summer residence under the building.

...
'Tis said that the **iron powder house** will be **used for a lock-up until a new one is built**. It is hardly probable that they will burn that.

...
Some people talk of a **fire company**. Better give the man who borrowed (?) the hose 90 days in jail.

...
A **couple of "bloods"** from **Iron Mountain** came to town last Sunday to have some fun with the boys, and **spent the night in the cooler**.

...
It is said that the **fellow who burned the jail** is so hard a case that they would not employ him on the railroad.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 19 [Saturday, June 5, 1886], page 1, column 4

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QUINNESEC.

A **new lock up** is to be built, but it will hardly be needed. After the railroad is finished there will be no use for it.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 24 [Saturday, July 10, 1886], page 1, column 6

QUINNESEC.

Some people are crazy for a **lock-up**, but some **new sidewalks**, and **good drinking water** would answer the majority better.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 27 [Saturday, July 31, 1886], page 1, column 6

QUINNESEC.

A private contract has been let to build a **new lock-up**. It seems strange that the township board did not call for bids and give everyone a chance.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 30 [Saturday, August 21, 1886], page 8, column 3

QUINNESEC.

The **new lock-up** is nearly completed now, and the question arises: Who will be the first prisoner to occupy it?

Post Office

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I,

Number 2 [Saturday, January 8, 1881], page 2, column 2

QUINNESEC.

Joseph Schaller, P.M. [postmaster], is making a palatial **post office**, [sic] out of the store in the rear of his handsome **drug store**. He has arched an opening between the two and charges his patrons nothing for admittance. Joe is one of the most liberal fellows in the world and never does anything by halves. What he does, he does all over.

R.G. Brown, former **P.M. [postmaster]** at Q. [Quinnesec] and later, monarch of all he surveyed, in the **general m'dse [merchandise] line**, near **Lake Chicagon**, has emerged once more into the sunlight of advancement and a railroad, and stationed himself at **Daggett**, near **Stephenson, Mich.**, where he is prepared to dish out cedar and tan bark [sic – tanbark] in any shape and size that you want. The MINING NEWS is sorry to lose you R.G. from its northwestern frontier, as for a long time you seemed to be the only outpost of civilization and a square meal, in that direction.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 49 [Thursday, April 19, 1917], page 5, column 3

QUINNESEC NEWS NOTES.

The **post-office** is well decorated with flags. It has been **established a recruiting station for the army and navy**. Miss **Luella St. Denis**, the **postmistress**, will gladly furnish any information desired regarding the advantages of army and navy service. If recruits are procured, at **Quinnesec**, Miss St. Denis will give what compensation she receives for the furtherance of patriotism in this district.

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Water Department

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 41 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

The town is to be supplied with a **new system of water works**.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 43 [Saturday, November 28, 1885], page 1, column 2

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

It is reported that we are to have a new boiler and engine for our **water works**.

Fires and Other Disasters

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 47 [Saturday, November 19, 1881], page 3, column 3

THE **machine shop of C.D. Casad & Co. in Quinnesec**, [sic] was burned down on Sunday morning last. It is a heavy loss to the enterprising proprietors and also to the community. We have not learned whether the firm will rebuild or not.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 4 [Saturday, February 28, 1885], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC'S QUOTUM.

At about six o'clock Monday morning the **mine whistle sounded a fire alarm**, when a **log house near the foot of Quinnesec hill** was found to be in flames. The building and most of its contents were consumed. The house was the property of **Wm. Curno**, and was built about six years ago. It was occupied by **Jas. Luke** as a dwelling, when the accident occurred, who can but ill afford the loss of his property, about \$100.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 2 [Saturday, February 13, 1886], page 1, column 2

Wright Bro's, of **Quinnesec**, had a narrow escape from heavy loss by fire yesterday. A fire, originated by a **defective chimney**, got considerable headway before being discovered, and it was only by exertion that the store was saved.

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QUINNESEC.

On Tuesday morning, at 5 o'clock, the **village lock-up was found to be on fire**, and a prisoner confined in it barely escaped with his life. The water-works were all right and the building could have been saved, but some leading citizen of the town had borrowed the hose and forgot to return it, and all that could be done was to watch the building burn. The greatest loss will be to **Tom McKenna's pigs**, they having their summer residence under the building.

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Fire in Quinnesec.

Paddy Wildman's house was discovered to be on fire last Thursday afternoon about 3 o'clock. No one was in the house at the time, **Mrs. Wildman** and the children having gone to spend the afternoon with friends, and **Mr. Wildman** being at his place of business. The parlor furniture and a part of the house was saved. There was \$400 insurance on the building and \$600 on the furniture, which was written by **Mr. Carver**, of the **Menominee River Insurance Agency**. The loss was adjusted last Tuesday, and a sight draft given to **Mr. Wildman** for the total amount of insurance on the house, and one of \$485 for the loss on the furniture. This is prompt work on the part of the insurance agency, the loss being paid in five days after the fire.

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QUINNESEC WIPED OUT.

Fire Almost Completely Destroys Pretty Little Village.

Yesterday afternoon a dense smoke enveloped this city [*Norway*] making it impossible to see buildings a block away. The cause was first attributed to the burning of the **paper mill at Niagara[,]** but telephone communication was to the effect that while two houses had been burned there and there was still danger, no general conflagration was feared. By this time word came that **Quinnesec** was burning and soon a call for men and fire hose came in and **Mayor Janson** responded by sending

hose and enough men from the fire department to handle it and made a flying trip there on an Auto [*sic*] to see if the city fire engine could be used. **Iron Mountain** also sent help, but the water supply was inadequate in the face of the terrible wind and the whole **business portion of Quinnesec**, the **C. & N.W. depot**, the **Catholic church** and **many dwellings** are in ashes. Late last night there was still danger of the destruction of the few remaining buildings. So far no attempt at estimating the loss has been made as everybody is busy with the demand of the hour.

The fire which worked such hardships to or neighbors is said to have been **started from the burning of rubbish in the yard back of what was known as the "McKenna building."** In the meantime **Norway** people have been kept busy averting a disastrous fire and employes [*sic* – *employees*] of the several mining companies have been doing picket duty all night. The wind is still high, there is no rain and "eternal vigilance" is the price of safety.

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Conditions at Quinnesec.

The fire which consumed about all of the **business portion of Quinnesec**, [*sic*] Friday of last week caused an **estimated loss of \$75,000 with little insurance**, [*sic* – *insurance*. *The*] **the number of buildings destroyed including the C. & N.W. depot and the Catholic church was thirty-three and sixteen families were rendered homeless.** Subscriptions are being made in the various range towns for the immediate relief of the sufferers, and many have found shelter in the remaining homes of the village and in neighboring

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towns. It is not probable that the town will be rebuilt at once as the mining industry upon which the business depended has been almost dormant of late; but there is still great faith in the ultimate recovery of its former importance and of the growth of the town to greater dimensions than at any time in its history.

Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Year _____, Number _____ [Friday, May 23, 1924], page 7, column 4

Quinnesec SCHOOL BURNS

QUINNESEC –

One of **Quinnesec's** oldest land marks *[sic – landmarks]* passed into ashes when the old **Quinnesec frame school** caught fire and burned to the ground. The origin of the fire is unknown. The building had been condemned for a few years for school purposes and had been used as a warehouse.

Cemeteries

Miscellaneous

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 13, Number 39 [Thursday, February 18, 1909], page 1, column 4

QUINNESEC INVENTORS.

Beaudette & Snowdon Secure Patent for a Metallic Railway Tie.

Fred J. Beaudette and **Frank L. Snowdon**, two young men from Quinnesec, have been granted U.S. letters of patent for improved metallic railway ties and rail fasteners. The invention consists of hollow ties, of approximately the same shape as the wooden ties now in use. The tie has a depressed portion on its face, at each end, so as to receive the bottom flange of the rail. This depression serves as *[a]* gauge, and also to keep the rails from spreading. Adjacent to these depressions in *[the]* face of tie, *[sic]* are four holes for receiving the rail fasteners. These fasteners consist of a clamp and wedge, no bolts or nuts being used. This is a great advantage, as with bolts for fastening means there is great liability *[need to finish copying the remainder of this article]*