DICKINSON COUNTY HISTORY – CITY OF NORWAY – EARLY NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS

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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 498

NORWAY.

Along *[sic – Among]* the other towns of the range located along the line of the Chicago & North-Western Railway, may be mentioned Norway, a bright little town that has sprung up adjacent to the Norway Mine. It has two good church buildings, several well equipped business houses, and enjoys a good trade for a small town.

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MINING.

The most promising openings *[sic - opening]* that has ever been made in the **Menominee Iron Range** is the one opened some two miles west of the **Vulcan mine**, which has been christened the **Norway**. The ore is a rich hematite, free from rock and is covered with very little surface matter, amounting at present to 5 or 6 feet. Back from the present opening the ground ascends and the ore seems to follow the rise of the hill. Test pits have been sunk for quite a distance; in each case striking the ore at nearly a uniform distance. At present the **Menominee mining company**, who are the lessees, are taking out about 100 tons of clean, No. 1 ore each day, with a very small force of men. From present indications this mine will develop into a very large one.

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For the IRON PORT.

WAUCEDAH, Oct. 15

The shipments of ore from the **Norway** for the past few days will press hard upon 200 tons per day, and their output is increasing. They will soon be ready to ship from pit No. 2 at the Norway; the ore of which is very similar to the **Quinnesec**.

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THE **Hamilton, Merryman Co.** have *[sic – has]* been successful in their search for iron on their land adjoining the **Cyclops** and **Norway** tract. A very good quality of ore has been found.

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MENOMINEE IRON RANGE.

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The New Bonanza. A $120,000 Stockpile

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Visit to the Iron Mines.

NORWAY.

This newly developed mine continues to look well and a handsome stock pile of 10,000 tons show the activity with which it has been worked during the season. The management is now engaged in building a trestle work in order to bring the ore from their upper workings to the level of the railroad track. When finished a much larger output may be expected.

CYCLOPS.

This latest opening of the **Menominee Mining Company**, who are now working three other mines besides this; viz: – **Quinnesec**, **Norway** and **Vulcan**, has yielded the largest amount of ore during the winter. Not less than 15,000 tons of ore are in stock and we should not be surprised if this was increased to 20,000 before the opening of navigation. The general character of the ore from these three mines is almost identical and *[they]* are of a comparatively high grade. The bottom of the present workings is about 30 feet below the bottom of the railroad track. On Wednesday drifts were commenced, to run east and west along the vein.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 18 [Saturday, April 5, 1879], page 3, column 5

CHAT WITH OUR NEIGHBORS.

QUINNESEC.– From the *Menominee Range*.

O'Callaghan's mill is puffing away at the usual rate, not being able as yet to work up to the orders coming in. He has a large stock of boards on hand, and it is the intention to put in a planer and siding mill next week to run at night. This will be a great convenience to many persons on the range who have homes to side up before another winter comes. The railroad tariff on lumber in small quantities from outside is so heavy that but few people can afford to avail themselves of it.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 559 [Saturday, April 5, 1879], page 8, columns 1-6 *[The Menominee Ranger]*

VULCAN.

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At the location of the **Norway** and **Cyclops mines**, two miles and a half distant from **Vulcan***[,]* a **new school district** is to be set off by the township board and a school established. It will start with about fifth pupils. A selection for teacher has not yet been made, but one will undoubtedly have to be imported, as most of the fellows there are all out of practice in that line.

The **meat market** firm of **Newberry & Jenkins** are **building a meat shop** at the **Cyclops and Norway location**, which will make the folks fleshy around there. The worst we can say of the firm is that they don't subscribe for this family paper.

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QUINNESEC.

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Capt. Smythe*[,]* **justice of the peace and carpenter**, says he has numerous orders for buildings to be put up the coming summer, **mostly saloons**, and that the

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Norway mill, **John O'Callaghan proprietor**, will furnish all the lumber that comes to town. Capt. is a level headed old temperance sufferer.

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WE have just received a well executed *[sic – well-executed]* map, showing the land belonging to the **Lake Superior Ship Canal, Railway and Iron Co.**, from their agents at **Marquette**, Messrs. **Matthews** and **Longyear**. The **Cyclops**, **Norway** and part of the **Vulcan** are on their lands. They are prepared to make leases of these lands on terms that will justify consumers of steel ore, to undertake the mining of them. Any further information in regard to terms, royality *[sic – royalty]* &c.., can be had by applying to their agents as before mentioned. The map can be examined in the IRON PORT office at any time.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 22 [Saturday, May 3, 1879], page 2, column 1

A VISIT TO THE DIFFERENT LOCATIONS.

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CYCLOPS MINE.

Monday morning we started out to visit the different locations on the Range, a thing we had intended, but were unable to do ever since the first publication of the paper. Our first stopping place was the Cyclops, where we met **Capt. Williams** and the time keeper, **J.B. Knight**, of the Norway and Cyclops mines. This mine has only been in operation for 8 months, but in that time some good work has been done, and something like 80,000 tons taken out of first class ore. No. 1 shaft is at present to a depth of 60 feet, but will be put down 30 feet more before drifting is at level. A tunnel has been run from No. 1 shaft to connect with the tunnel from No. 2. There is about 3 feet to break through to make the connection. The length of the tunnel running east from the main shaft will then be 250 feet through good ore, and running west about 50 feet. The vein is from 25 to 30 feet wide. All of the pits are being stulled up as they go. The Capt. thinks the mine is just as safe as a 'harvest field," and that when three tons of ore are run out on one car it is not much of a "wheel-barrow business." We know what the "Capt." was driving at, but informed him that nothing personal was intended in our remarks about the Quinnesec last week, as the Quinnesec is a much older mine with deeper stripping, and it was found necessary to carry on operations differently. A rather small but very neat little engine has been put in place, and was to steam up Tuesday. It was manufactured at the Liberty Iron Works, Chicago. Its cylinder is 9x14. The stock pile at present contains about 20,000 tons and it is estimated that about 40,000 tons, at least, will be shipped this season from this mine. Preparations are making to take ore from pit No. 2, a pocket has been built, and a track is about to be built to the spur.

NORWAY MINE.

From the Cyclops, we proceeded to the Norway mine, accompanied by Mr. Knight who very kindly showed us around, making the explanations usually thought necessary on such occasions. Sinking on No. 1 shaft, south of the track, is still continued, a small engine being used to keep it clear of water. No. 1 pit is down about 30 feet and shows a vein 30 feet wide. As yet neither foot or [sic – nor] hanging wall has been seen. No. 2

shaft is sunk to a depth of 50 feet. Cross-cutting has commenced with a view of striking the foot wall. The shaft will also be sunk deeper. Not much work has been done on No. 3 pit for some time, although there in *[sic – is]* plenty of ore in sight. The first opening on No. 3 is in good ore, and the second opening, which is about 1000 feet north, has been sunk 30 feet, almost all the way in ore. Should they run together, which they have every indication of doing, the vein will be at least 100 feet wide. The stripping that has already been done between these two opening *[sic – openings]* show *[sic – shows]* good ore, stripping a little northeast also reveals ore. Work has just commenced on No. 3 pit. The stock pile of the Norway contains about 20,000 tons, and it is estimated that the output will be all of 30,000 tons more this season. The quality of the ore is not so good as that of the Cyclops, but occasionally one is found in pockets of a steely nature which adds considerably to its market value. Thirty cars of ore per day is the average shipment from this and the Cyclops. Nearly 160 men are employed in both mines.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 23 [Saturday, May 10, 1879], page 2, column 1

IRON AND MINING NEWS.

The 1800 foot new side track of the **Cyclops mine** is probably completed by this time. It will afford ample accommodations for the ore cars and is something that was very much needed.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 28 [Saturday, June 14, 1879], page 3, column 3

The **Curry mine** looks well. It is estimated that from 10,000 to 15,000 tons of ore will be taken out this season.

The **Cyclops** is shipping about 125 tons of ore daily. Three hoisting drums are in operation. As soon as the timbering is completed night work will commence at shaft No. 2. The output of the **Norway** is about the same as that of the Cyclops.

The Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 564 [Saturday, May 10, 1879], page 8, columns 1-4 *[The Menominee Ranger]*

VULCAN.

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At the **Cyclops mine** last Saturday evening while a young man named **George Taft** was riding one of the switch horses to the barn, at **Norway**, the animal became frightened at a locomotive and ran away, throwing Taft off, striking his head against a stump and breaking his right arm. **Dr. McLeod** was immediately called, under whose skillful treatment Taft is speedily recovering.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 31 [Saturday, July 5, 1879], page 2, column 4

IRON AND MINING ITEMS.

The **Curry mine** looks excellent. They are taking out and shipping about 90 cars of ore a day now, and already have over 1,000 tons in Escanaba awaiting shipment.

The immensity of the **Norway mine** is what strikes a person on his first visit to it. The deposit extends clear across a forty, and has been traced for nearly half a mile

beyond that. The ore seems to be deposited in large pockets, and seperated *[sic – separated]* only by a thin belt of rock. The incline from the top of the hill is well under way, and all of the ore from the top will be removed by this incline.

At the **Saginaw mine** everything is booming. The vein or veins – for there appears to be two, but it may be but a horse of rock – are stripped for a distance of 300 feet, and about 50 feet, in width. What appears to be the foot and hanging walls have been found, and the formation assumes a regularity that is not seen in every mine on the range. The spur to the mine has been graded for a distance of 1,400 feet, and the work of laying the track is progressing rapidly. Three derricks are being put in, – one will be worked by horse power and the other two by steam power, and so arranged that the ore will be hoisted from the mine and dumped into the cars. A 20 horse power engine and boiler, used by the Saginaw Co. in their mine in the Lake Superior region, has been put in place, and will do the work of hoisting at present, as well as keeping the mine as free from water as possible. **Capt. Perkins** thinks that they will be able to commence shipping by the first of next week.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 35 [Saturday, August 2, 1879], page 3, column 3

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: C.L. Wendell laid out the village of Norway.]*

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 36 [Saturday, August 9, 1879], page 2, column 3

[Menominee Range.]

–Monday the **Saginaw Mining Co.** shipped 35 cars of ore from their mine.

–The new engine for the **Norway mine** is in place, the incline is nearly ready, and in about two weeks it is expected the ore from the top of the hill will run down it.

–The development of the **Stephenson mine** at section 4 is progressing rapidly. It is thought that the property has been shown up sufficiently to warrant the company in commencing shipping, which, we are informed, they intent doing on or about the 15th inst.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 38 [Saturday, August 23, 1879], page 2, columns 3-4

[Menominee Range.]

–A lot has been tendered the **Catholic society** by Mr. **C.L. Wendel**, at **Norway**, on which to build a church. We are informed that it will probably accept of the offer, although it has offers from the proprietors of the other town sites. A Committee was appointed Sunday to select the site.

–**C. McElroy**, of Marquette, and **N. Crane**, of Peshtigo, have purchased **Wright Bros. & Co**'s lot at **Norway** and will put up a **store building** thereon immediately, and will stock up a full line of groceries, dry goods, etc.

–Three fourths of the **Curry mine** have been sold to Mr. **Jos. Outhwaite**, of the firm of **Outhwaite and Dalliba**, Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. **James Dalliba** still retaining his one fourth interest. The amount paid for it is not generally known, but it is said to be $37,000. Mr. **Jno. Outhwaite**, the father of the purchaser, was here closing up the

matter Tuesday. He will return with his son next week, he informs us. The force of men will not be increased at present, but matters will continue as they are.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 42 [Saturday, September 20, 1879], page 2, column 1

THE new town of **Norway** shows signs of promise. A **new hotel** is under way, and a **new school house** is voted, you can quench any reasonable thirst at **Bush**'s, and buy a house lot for almost any price from $25 upward.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 43 [Saturday, September 27, 1879], page 2, column 1

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.

–**Norway** has already twelve buildings, seven of them business houses. **Robinson**, of Marinette, is building one **hotel** and **Thomas Hay** another. A large **livery stable** is going up. A **depot** will be built there, as it is bound to be a large business point. **C.L. Wendell**, the proprietor, has built him a neat residence, and is busy improving the town by grading streets, etc. A number of other buildings are in contemplation. Twenty lots were sold last week to parties intending to build.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 44 [Saturday, October 4, 1879], page 2, column 4

[Menominee Range.]

–"We are bound to have order in **Norway**," says **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.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 44 [Saturday, October 4, 1879], page 3, column 3

WE visited **Norway**, the **new town**, lately, i.e., on Sunday last (we may as well be explicit), and found it buzzing like a bee hive. Mr. **Wendel's residence** is so nearly completed that he occupies a portion of it. Mr. **Kimball's drug store** is completed and the stock in place. The foundations for the new **hotel** are laid, as are those of a large **general store** to be occupied by **Johnson & Co. Crane & McElroy** are in their building. Four **saloons** are open. A **milliner's store** is enclosed, and will be occupied soon. **Harteau & Bebeau** will open a stock of goods there on the 15th of October, in a store which **Bennett** contracts to have ready by that time, although at the time of our visit only the sills were on the ground, and the ground had yet to be

broken for the cellar. They will soon have a **railroad station** and a **postoffice**, though Mr. Wendel, the projector and proprietor of the town, promises nothing, saying only: "When the place does business enough with the railroad to make a station necessary, it will be built; when a postoffice is needed and asked for, it will be established. The railroad company wants business, and the postoffice department revenue; that is your guarantee. Neither the railroad nor the postoffice is interested in or jealous of new towns." Norway will grow.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 45 [Saturday, October 11, 1879], page 2, column 4

"Range" Items.

–The woods are full of **prospectors**, and so many **test pits** are being sunk that it is absolutely dangerous to venture out after dark.

–Business is lively around the two business centers, **Quinnesec** and **Norway**, and of an evening they seem like a small section of **Chicago**.

–**Norway** is improving rapidly, and in two weeks some half dozen business firms will be in operation. **Water** is easily procured here. A well dug in the upper part of town furnishes an abundant supply at a depth of 20 feet.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 47 [Saturday, October 25, 1879], page 3, column 3

O'CALLAGHAN'S store, kept chiefly for the supply of his force at the mill and in camps, has this week been removed to the mill location near **Norway**. John is furnishing piles of sawed timber and lumber for the **new ore dock**, a job which is big enough to give all our mill men a share.

JAS. F. ATKINSON, late of the IRON PORT, was in town on Sunday and Monday. He will open a stock of goods (in company with **Harteau & Bebeau**, of **Quinnesec**,) at **Norway**, at once, if indeed he has not done so before now.

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ROBERT HAGAR, of the Marquette firm of **Hagar & Johnaston**, **furniture dealers**, was in town on Thursday. He will open a stock of goods at **Norway** as soon as a building can be got ready.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 50 [Saturday, November 15, 1879], page 2, column 3

[Menominee Range.]

–A subscription paper has been circulated in **Norway** and the sum of $200 raised by the **Catholic society**. Mr. **Wendell** has donated a lot, and a **new church** will be built as soon as sufficient money can be procured with which to begin work.

–A **new Swedish Methodist church** is to be built at **Norway** at once. Mr. **Wendell** furnished the society a lot for the church and parsonage, and also subscribed toward its construction quite liberally. The **Menominee Mining Co.** also gave $200, and others have donated more or less, according to their means.

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JAS. F. ATKINSON has purchased the interest of **Harteau & Bebeau** in the new **store** at **Norway**, and will "play it alone." We hope he holds "the possibilities" and will "make it."

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume X, Number 51 [Saturday, November 22, 1879], page 2, column 4

[Menominee Range.]

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

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

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

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 1 [Saturday, December 6, 1879], page 2, column 4

[Menominee Herald.]

–The **Norway mine** will have shipped nearly 75,000 tons of ore at the close of 1879.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 3 [Saturday, December 20, 1879], page 2, column 3

[Menominee Range.]

–One **Corbiss**, who has an interest in a **saloon** and **fancy house** at **Ingallsdorf**, was arrested, with several others, for robbing **Miss Vaughn's millinery store** at **Norway** on Thursday evening last. A **trial** was held yesterday but as no proof could be produced the prisoners were acquitted. Miss Vaughn's loss was about $150.

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MINE HOST **GAYNOR** take with him to **Norway** not only the outfit but the name of his house. The **Norway hotel** is to be called the **Ludington house**.

E. GAYNOR and **John O'Callaghan**, of **Norway**, were in town over Sunday. Mr. Gaynor will move into his **new house** before the new year, if nothing unforeseen occurs.

JAS. F. ATKINSON has associated with himself Mr. **Lewis Day**, of **Green Bay**, and the new firm has bought out **Harteau & Bebeau**, taking both concerns, the one at **Quinnesec** as well as that at **Norway**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 6 [Saturday, January 10, 1880], page 3, column 2

A WAREHOUSE belonging to the **Menominee mining company**, at the **Norway mine**, was destroyed by fire on Monday last. Loss about $1,500. Origin of fire unknown.

THE new **paper**, at **Norway**, is already christened. It is to be called "**The People's Journal**," and is to advocate free trade, which is a queer position for a workingmen's paper to assume.

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THE new **Ludington house**, at **Norway**, is open. **Gaynor** is on deck.

THE latest report from **Norway** is to the effect that the **newspaper** is to be conducted by **P.J. Bennett**, instead of **J.F. Atkinson**.

THOS. HAY'S hostelry, at **Norway**, is called the **Glenn *[sic – Glen]* house**.

GAYNOR has dropped the old name and calls his house the **Wendel**.

PHELPS' restaurant, **Norway**, was entered by **thieves**, on Sunday night last, and several boxes of cigars were stolen.

INGALLSDORF postoffice has been discontinued, the property turned over to **Crane**, the **Norway postmaster**, and removed to **Norway**.

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A VERY pleasant affair took place the other evening at **O'Callaghan's location**. A party of **John**'s friends treated him to a little surprise, which everyone enjoyed at the time and no one regrets now. John's friends were not all there, though; if they had been, this town must have been left in the care of a ship-keeper.

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THE RANGE did not reach us last week at all, and we hear of nothing very exciting from Menominee county. A **miner** was **killed at the Saginaw**, on Thursday, by a fall of rock from the hanging wall, and a **boy had his skull fractured** at the same mine by a bit of flying rock from a blast. We did not learn either of the names.

THE **newspaper company**, at **Norway**, has completed its organization, elected **E. Gaynor** president, commenced to build an office, and to look around for a printer. We hear that an attempt was made to induce **McCarthy** to remove the **Agitator** to Norway, though without success.

A **ROW** occurred at "**the crib**," a mile or so from **Norway**, in which some **pistol practice** was indulged in, one man getting a shot through the hand and another one in the leg. No cards.

BRO. **ATKINSON** has gone out of trade, having sold his **Norway** option and stock to **Harteau & Bebeau**. Now hurry up that **workingman's paper**.

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SOME incendiary tried, unsuccessfully, to **burn out Crane & McElroy**, at **Norway**, one day last week. Catch'em and kill'em on sight.

THE site for the **Norway depot** having been determined on, Mr. **Wendel** will proceed to lay out and grade a street by which to reach it.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 9 [Saturday, January 31, 1880], page 2, columns 3-4

[Menominee Range.]

–The **Emmett and Curry mines** are both in good order for rapid mining.

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You can direct your letters to "**Norway**, Men. co., Mich.," after this; the **post office** is a'runnin'.

OUR **Norway** friends must have a **newspaper**. The very latest information is that **Jones** has been inducted to remove thither from **Ishpeming** with the **Chronicle** outfit.

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THE **Menominee mining company** will build and stock a **store**, at the **Norway mine**, next spring.

ELECTRIC exploders are to be used in the mines at **Norway**, instead of fuses. Safer and more expedicious *[sic – expeditious]*.

WE understand that **P.J. Bennett** is to be attached to the staff of the **Norway paper**, whereat we rejoice.

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THE **Iron Chronicle** office is to be removed from **Ishpeming** to **Norway**. The editor announces the fact in the Chronicle of the 31st, and adds: "In making the change we feel that we are doing the people of Ishpeming a favor rather than an injustice, for the reason that they are already overburdened with newspapers, and the support necessary to maintain them falls heavily on the few who are obliged to contribute. There are too many papers in the county and especially so in Ishpeming, and it is evident that in order to make the business profitable some one *[sic – someone]* must go; and, as we are working for money and not fame, we feel perfectly willing to make the change." Which is, to say the least, frank and outspoken. We wish the new enterprise every success, but we can't help wondering how **Mr. Jones** expects to do better at Norway than at Ishpeming. He will find the competition quite as sharp in one place as in the other, and those "obliged to contribute" fewer, for the present, at least.

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JOHN McCARTHY and his partner will have to spread themselves to fill the void caused by the removal of the **Iron Chronicle**. They are expansive, though, and will do it or break something.

THE plan for lighting the **Norway mine** by **electricity** hangs fire, for want of steam power to drive the generators. Another boiler will be put in at once, which will remedy the difficulty.

GAYNOR, of the **Wendel house**, **Norway**, will add a wing to his house 30x60 and two stories high, as soon as the weather permits.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 11 [Saturday, February 14, 1880], page 3, column 3

WE gather from the **Menominee Range** that the mine heretofore known as "**Saginaw, sec. 4**," will hereafter be called the **Perkins mine** – that the new boiler for the **Norway** has been received, and the mine lighted by electricity – that the work of

putting the **Chapin mine** in order for producing is going on rapidly and the season's output is expected to reach 50,000 tons – that a Bullock drill has been put at work on the **Cyclops** property – that the name of the mine on 20, 40, 30 has been changed from **Cornell** to **Lake Antoine** and that the owners expect to ship 50,000 tons during the coming season, and that the **Ludington mine**, under the management of **Capt. Bray**, is now yielding 50 tons a day, with good prospects for a large increase. Altogether the Menominee range is booming.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 14 [Saturday, March 6, 1880], page 3, column 5

RANGE ITEMS.

–**McCormick and McGee** will open a **flour and feed establishment**, at **Norway**.

–The **station at Norway** is to be at the east end of the embankment and to 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 Chronicle** says that no "speculations of the wild cat order" exist on the range. Maybe so, but **Wendel & Hanley** made a mighty good sale of their **section 6 property** – that's certain.

–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.

–**Capt. Williams**, late of **Norway**, is now in charge of the **Ludington mine**, and **Capt. Tobin** of the **Commonwealth**. **Wm. Morrison**, late pit boss at No. 3 pit of the **Vulcan**, has been appointed captain of the **Florence**.

–The **Norway Iron Chronicle** forgot to put the PORT on their exchange list, but we borrowed a copy. **Editor Jones** gives the Norwegians a good five column quarto paper, and, while he admits that the field is hardly adequate, at present, to the support of such a paper, speaks hopefully of the future and promises to "do his level best" to make the Chronicle a satisfactory exponent of local interests and a permanent institution. We hope he may. "**Bowlders**" occupies the 8th page, and it reads just as the 8th page of the M.J. *[Mining Journal, Marquette]* used to. **Peter J. *[Bennett]*** is at home on the range and don't*[sic]* need any introduction.

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RANGE ITEMS.

GAYNOR has a new span of carriage horses.

A **TEAMSTER** working for **Roberts**, of **Norway**, **fell dead** on Tuesday evening.

THE work at the **Norway mine** is vigorously pushed. The stock pile already contains 50,000 tons.

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.

THE Iron Chronicle devoted two columns, last Saturday, to a report of a

prize fight that occurred ten years ago last September, and was a draw battle, at that.

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

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THE ESCANABA IRON PORT calls us the "defunct **Iron Chronicle**." We may be dead, but we are willing to let a stranger take a copy of the PORT and one of the Chronicle and decide which is the most likely corpse. –**Norway Iron Chronicle**.

Referring to the **Ishpeming Iron Chronicle** only. The Norway Iron Chronicle (Vol. 1, Nos. 1 and 2) is received and is as lively as may be – no "odor of the grave" about it, whatever.

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IT is proposed to put up a **furnace at Norway**. Ore is at hand, and fuel and flux not far away, and the cash is ready for investment. **Jo. Harris**, formerly in charge of the **Jackson iron company's furnace at Fayette**, is likely to be engaged in the new enterprise. From one well qualified to judge, we learn that the proposed location is extremely favorable and that a stack capable of a product of 35 tons a day can be put in operation at a cost not exceeding $50,000. We hope to be able to announce the blowing in of the new furnace by the time the boys being to buy shooting crackers for "the fourth."

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MRS. KATON removed, on Friday, to **Norway**, where she takes the **Menominee mining company's boarding house** at the **Norway mine**, a position and business for which she is eminently qualified.

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RANGE ITEMS.

CAPT. JOHN OLIVER succeeds **Capt. Williams** at the **Norway**.

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

THE Norway Chronicle concern has come to grief already and there will be no paper issued to day *[sic – today]*, Saturday. The story we hear is that **Jones** or **Bennett** "must go."

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 *[sic]* 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.

THE Norway Iron Chronicle takes exception to a five-line paragraph of ours concerning the **sale of Wendel & Hanley's**

option on section 6, and proceeds to "go for" us, accusing us of being "actuated by mere envy" – of "attempting to shake the confidence of the public" and "create a prejudice against" the range, all of which is supremely ridiculous. The growth and prosperity of our town depend largely upon the development of the resources of the **Menominee iron range** – our living depends, only less directly than that of the Chronicle people themselves, upon the increase in population, business and wealth of that district, and so far from wishing to hinder or prevent such development, not even the Chronicle has a more lively interest in the welfare of the range than the PORT. The Chronicle will, however, fail to convince its readers, by pitching into us and talking about "wood-butchers" and "hashery *[sic]* conductors," that there is no speculation going on in iron (and other) lands, options, &c. That such should be the case would be contrary to all experience; that such is the case on the range at this time, is not true. We are glad to know, from the Chronicle, that the purchasers of the option referred to have found good ore, and sincerely hope they may develop a property equal to any in the vicinity, notwithstanding which we are held to our original idea, that, in view of what had and had not been done thereon, of what was known and what only inferred, the property was well sold, and we believe **Mr. Wendel** will agree with us.

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Range Items.

JONES goes out, and **Bennett & Schaible** lease the office and continue the **Chronicle**.

JOHN MULLIGAN, of **Norway**, is said to be one of the heirs to a $6,000,000 property in **Brooklyn**.

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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THE **Norway Chronicle**, when it gets on its legs again, will have to settle with the **Boston Journal of Commerce**. That paper gives its readers a quantity of information concerning the **Menominee iron range** which is curiously inaccurate, and credits it all to the Chronicle. It states the output of the district for 1879 at over 600,000 tons, an amount more than double the true figure, and, to balance that error, gives the product of the **Norway mine** for the same year at 7,000 tons, one tenth of its actual product for the coming season of 1880 and 100,000 tons, or one half what it will do. It makes one place of **Powers** and **Spalding**, and locates **Quinnesec** on the east bank of the **Menominee river**; gives the length of the **M.R. railroad** at eighteen miles, and announces **gold discoveries** on the range. But, worse than all – from the Chronicle's standpoint, a sin almost unpardonable – it makes **Waucedah** "the central point for prospecting" and the metropolis of the range. The editor says he was on the range in '78, but it's hard to believe it in view of his present ignorance concerning its interests and industries, its mines and places.

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[Saturday, April 17, 1880], page 8, column 2

Range Items.

THE **Norway mine** is now putting out 600 tons a day.

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

THE **Quinnesec**, **Vulcan**, **Norway**, **Cyclop**s, and **Stephenson** mines commenced shipping on Monday. There are 60,000 tons in the **Norway** stockpile.

HENRY REVORD, a **teamster** in the employ of the **Norway mine**, spoiled his hand by picking at a giant powder cartridge with a pin. The cartridge and four of his fingers went off at the same time.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 21 [Saturday, April 24, 1880], page 8, column 2

Range Items.

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 **Chronicle** states that a **sash and blind factory** will be established at **Norway**.

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

THE **canal company** had better offer **Frederickton** over to the **Norway** folks for a **graveyard**. They would have peaceable people in it in that case.

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 not now as well served as the people of **Fayette**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 22 [Saturday, May 1, 1880], page 8, column 2

Range Items.

–The **main street of Norway** is **extended**, by filling in, nearly across the swamp.

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

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

–They are “a little short” of drinking places at **Norway** and **Quinnesec**, but a **new saloon** is in progress in each place, and they’ll be all right, soon.

–The **roads on the range** are bottomless and daily growing deeper. If there’s anything wrong about the statement, charge it to **Hugh McLaughlin** – he’s our authority.

–A flying trip to **Norway** and **Quinnesec**, early in the week, was not productive or profitable by reason of a raw northwester that prevailed at the time and rendered any visiting of mines impracticable. We saw, however, evidences of enterprise and prosperity on the right 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,) *[sic]* has commenced a building for a **livery stable**, and several new residences and business houses are going up. Quite a large **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 must thrive while the men of the place sustain the force and energy so far displayed**,** and adjacent hills yield their ferruginous wealth. During the summer we propose to visit the range again, and see how it looks when the sun shines.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 23 [Saturday, May 8, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–The **Stephenson mine** is taking out nearly two hundred tons a day, and **Captain Carmichael** is not "gutting" it either.

–**Captain Williams**, formerly of the **Norway mine**, and more lately of the **Ludington**, is now mining superintendent of the **Lumbermen's mining company**.

–**L.D. McKenna** has bought a lot near the **railway station** at **Norway** and contracted for the erection of a building thereon to serve as a **depot for Schlitz beer**, for which he is agent.

–**The Iron Chronicle** pooh-poohs at Mr. **Vaughn**'s stories of **gold** and **silver** in the **Penoka range**, calling the stuff "sulphurite or iron and iron pyrites. Will pyrites draw out into thin leaves under the hammer, Mr. Chronicle? Mr. Vaughn says the Penoka mineral does, and resists nitric acid, unchanged.

–Mr. **Swineford** visited the **Curry mine** last week and speaks in last Saturday's **Journal** , in very confident terms of a bright future for it. The estimated product for this season is 25,000 tons. We copy the concluding sentences of the Journal's article:

Though a small mine, the **Curry** has large possibilities, even probabilities, ahead of it, the extent of which cannot now be predicted with any degree of certainty. Very few, if any, of the mines on the range have produced more ore with the same amount of expenditure, in the same length of time. Altogether, the writer looks upon the Curry as a most valuable property, and will be disappointed if at the end of the season she does not show a larger product than the estimate given him by the officers of the company.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 24 [Saturday, May 15, 1880], page 8, columns 2-3

Range Items.

–**The Norway Chronicle** girds at the **Menominee mining company**, in it *[sic - its]* last issue.

–**Norway hotel registers** show 807 arrivals last week – if Peter has not lost his little hatchet.

–A swede *[sic – Swede]* named **Albourg**, who was **injured by the fall of a bucket** in the **Stephenson mine** some time ago, suffered **amputation of the leg**, last week. Gangrene had set in and his life was in danger.

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Range Items.

–**The Chronicle** clamors for **gas and water works** at **Norway**.

–The **company's store** at the **Norway mine** is stocked and open, under the charge of **Mr. Hannan**.

–"We stand on our own bottom," says the **Norway Chronicle**. Pray what do you sit on, then, P.J.?

–**Gaynor** has lost his – no, not his money, nor his temper, nor his faith in **Norway**, but his peacock.

–**Henry Bebeau** says it's a very poor day when he sells only $500 worth of goods. The range takes a lot of truck.

–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.

–A man named **Rody** was found, **dying in an outhouse** at Norway. The particular variety of "dread destroyer" that they vend at the "young Chicago" had got away with him.

–The **Norway Chronicle** seems inclined to stir up strife between employers and employed in the vicinity. It does not seem to us a wise thing to do, but perhaps we don't understand the situation.

–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 empty cars stand from one day to the next on the **mine branche**s 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 **pedestrian contests** for the international and **O'Leary** belts, the six day and seventy two hours go as you please races for these trophies and the cash prizes which accompany them, sink into insignificance in the presence of the latest strife of giants, which took place in or near **Norway**, one day this week. The affair grew out of an unpleasant habit of vaporing which a certain legal luminary of that locality indulges in, and which excited the ire of the genial and modest Boniface *[proprietor of a hotel]* of the **Wendel**. Talk was indulged in ad libitim, and finally a match was made for ten dollars a side between the parties, the **course to be the highway west from Norway**, and the **distance from the summit of the hill to the bridge over the creek near O'Callaghan's mill**, a mile, more or less, "go as you please," and the first to arrive to take the money. The struggle was a severe one, as we hear it reported. The contestants got away together, and ran a close race until the legal footwear became in some way disarranged, necessitating a halt, when Hotel *[nickname for Wendel]* forged ahead and considered the race as good as won. Law was not to be so distanced, however, and soon made up the lost ground, when Boniface, loquitur: "Hold on! Don't you think we'here ma-ha-kn' d---- d foo-hools of ourselves?" To which Law responds that he has ten dollars at stake and means to win it. "Bu-hut I'll g-hive you the ten d-hollars to qu-hit!" No use -- Law was determined to finish the kruse, Gay-nor lose, and, having gotten a rehearing, as it were; a second wind, went through to the creek and captured the ducats. Our only regret in the ma-hatter is that we are compelled to take the report second hand,

not having been notified of the time and place of the race, so that we could be present in person.

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

Range Items.

–Elder **Gaynor** says there was no race, and insists that he would have won it had there been one. He says there's no *[words missing]* of the law in **Norway**, or in **Menominee county**, that can get over a measured mile as quickly as he can.

–**The Norway Chronicle** calls on the **New York Mining Record** to "stand up" and declare where it gets its **figures of ore shipments** from Marquette and Escanaba, and intimates that they are taken from the Chronicle. Don't be captious, neighbor. The Record gets the **Mining Journal** with the same figures and the **PORT** with figures one day later as to shipments from here, and, unless the Chronicle gets to New York in better time than it reaches es *[sic]* us, gets them both two days ahead of yours. To be sure, the Record might have the good taste to give somebody credit for statistics it must have gotten with scissors, but you need not kick until your seniors do.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 27 [Saturday, June 5, 1880], page 8, column 2

RANGE ITEMS.

–**The 0'Callaghan brothers will build the Norway opera house.** They are already sure of tenants, at a good rent, for the two stores on the ground floor.

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 *[sic – railway]* company.**

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 Norwayans are just enterprising enough to do it.

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

–An order has been issued by the prosecuting attorney of the county to **close the saloons** in **Norway**, **Fredericktown** *[sic - Frederickton]* and **Ingallsdorf** on the **Sabbath day**. It was done at the written request of the saloon-keepers themselves. –Chronicle.

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–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**.

–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.

–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.

–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.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 35 [Saturday, July 31, 1880], page 8, columns 2-3

RANGE ITEMS.

–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 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.**

–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.

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–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 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.**

–The **Methodist society of Norway** is talking of building a church edifice on Sunset hill.

–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 XI, Number 38 [Saturday, August 21, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–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.

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

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 40 [Saturday, September 4, 1880], page 8, columns 1-2

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 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.**

–**Bennett & Shabel** have purchased of Mr. **Wendel** the presses and material they

have been using, and the **Chronicle** is all their own. We hope it may clothe them well and feed them fat -- grow, and flourish and ripen, so that when they turn up their toes to the daisies it will remain, a good inheritance and provision for the young Bennetts and Shabels who will, doubtless, by that time, be ready to take their places.

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

RANGE ITEMS.

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

RANGE ITEMS.

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

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

RANGE ITEMS.

–**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.

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

RANGE ITEMS.

–**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**?"

–The **opening ball at 0'Callaghan Opera House hall** (Bowlders [editor of *The Chronicle* in Norway] could not be got to consent to a more modest apellation *sic – 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 **Brussells**, all but the wind up.

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

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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.

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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 10 [Saturday, February 5, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–**Rev. Mr. Adams**, of **St. Stephen's church***[,]* will hold services at **Quinnesec** on Tuesday next, at the school house; at **Norway**, at the **Methodist church**, on Wednesday; and at the school house at **Vulcan**, on Thursday.

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Range Items.

–**O'Callaghan** has the lake of Killarney on the drop curtain at his **opera house**. **Buell's** at Quinnesec, has St. Goar, a Rhine scene. Both houses are now in order for the summer.

–**Cronkhite Jr.**, the absconding and defaulting **Quinnesec banker**, has been caught, at Chicago, and will be squeezed. Its *[sic - It's]* no use, though. The cub may suffer but can't disgorge. It's the old fox that is wanted, and he has not been trapped.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 13 [Saturday, March 26, 1881], page 2, column 3

During a **recent visit to Norway**, we observed that the town was showing evidences of increased prosperity. Our old **hardware friend**, **Charley Anderson**, is doing a rushing business. We are greatly pleased to notice the fact that he has built up a good trade, which is constantly increasing. His line of goods are *[sic – is]* well kept up, and his efforts to make his store one of the leading ones on the Range, are duly appreciated by his patrons. **Crane & McElroy** continue to be **one of the leading general stores** and they are kept so busy that they hardly have time to say their prayers in the morning, before the rush of business commences. The only sure plan that they have found is to relate them

over night. During the spring rush they anticipate an extra clerk to attend to that department. **A.M. Haarvig** is doing a large and increasing business in the **merchant tailoring line** and is well patronized – just as he should be. He takes orders along the entire range. **Johnny Lindquist** reports everything lovely at the **corner store**. He has built up a nice trade for the house. We looked in at **Dr. L.J. Kimball's neat drug store and post office**. The doctor was not in, but we found everything indicating that business was in a healthy condition. The post office department was presided over by Miss **Mary Vaughn**, and presumably assisted by her dog, **Tinker**. **Charley Bush** looked as happy as a big sunflower, and his small brother **James**, seemed in excellent condition. **D.E. LaRue**, was **selling watches and jewelry** so fast, that he contemplates getting an extra safe to keep the money in. **C.L. Wendel's new drug store, in the Opera House block**, is a spacious and finely fitted up establishment. In answer to our inquiry, the genial proprietor, who by the way is the energetic founder of the town, assured us that business was first rate. It is presided over by a competent druggist, and shows every sign of prosperity. Esquire **C.B. Knowlton**, with **Justice Nason**, of **Menominee**, were trying the case of one of the delinquent bankers of Norway. **The hotels** – **Wendel**, **Glen**, **Norway** and **Milwaukee** – seemed to be doing a good business as far as we could judge, from the happy countenances of the landlords and landladies. We found **Peter J. Bowlders** ***[Peter J. Bennett]***, of the *Chronicle*, perched on a stool, and shoving a red hot article into the stick, so fast that it fairly made the type hum, while **Shabel** was making the fly wheel of the job press circulate in a way that was bewildering. **Hager & Johnason**, the **furniture men**, had an immense stock, and were shoving out the goods at a rapid rate. The ever pleasant **James Gee**, was found at his post, and appeared to be as active and full of business as in the olden time. Norway has a bright future before it, and next summer will be booming.

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

Range Items.

–The younger **Cronkhite**, notwithstanding his discharge from arrest at Chicago, came to **Norway** to see what they were "going to do about it." Nothing.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 21 [Saturday, April 23, 1881], page 5, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–The latest excitement in mining circles has another color than hematite. **Gold** is said to have been discovered on 34, 40, 29, about four miles **north of Norway**, and lands in that vicinity are quite eagerly sought after.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 22 [Saturday, April 30, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–**Carney's creek** *[sic]*, **north of Norway**, and **Pine river** *[sic]*, **south of Florence**, are the **gold fields**. It has to be milled out of the solid quartz, though; no chance for pick and pan.

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–The **gold boom** continues. Stories of miles upon miles of quartz lodes carrying gold in paying quantity make men who have only an iron mine or two feel like paupers. In sober earnest, though, quartz has been found and samples assayed which panned out at the rate of $1,000 per ton, or big lies told. We are not quite certain which. Lands in the vicinity of the find are eagerly sought for. One body containing some five hundred acres is held by a Detroit man who is offered $60,000 for it.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 23 [Saturday, May 7, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–**Peter J. Bennett** has bought out his former partner, **Shabel**, and will hereafter "play it alone."

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.

–**Dickie** runs a line of **stages to Felch mountain** *[sic]*. –Chronicle, 14th.

–**O'Callaghan's mill**, just **west of Norway**, was **burned** on Wednesday evening last, and with it a quantity of lumber. We were unable to get any facts, or even opinions as to the origin of the fire. The mill was not running at the time, and the watchman who was on duty can say no more than "it went off like a match," the fire being beyond control form the very start. The loss we hear estimated at about $6,000 – pretty heavy – but it won't swamp the supervisor by any means. The most serious side of the business is the fact that it throws him out of business during the best part of the year.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 22 [Saturday, May 28, 1881], page 3, column 3

WE regret to record the tidings of the burning of **John O'Callaghan's saw mill near Norway**, on Wednesday of last week. The news arrived to us too late for publication last week. The origin of the fire as stated to us is that a spark alighted in the saw dust and before it was noticed, had attained such headway, that it was impossible to extinguish it. The loss is estimated at about $6,000. It is a serious loss, coming as it does in the busy season of the year. But John has energy and resources sufficient to rebuilt it, in better style than it was before.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 26 [Saturday, June 4, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

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–**O'Callaghan's mill** will be **rebuilt** at once and it is expected to have it in operation as early as July 10, or earlier -- "for pluck will win, you know."

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

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Range Items.

–**The Norway brass band serenaded President Hagerman, of the Menominee mining company*[,]* and he acknowledged the courtesy by a donation of $225 to the band treasury.** – Chronicle, 11th.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 32 [Saturday, August 6, 1881], page 3, column 3

MR. **C.L. WENDEL** informs us that he has purchased the **Wendel House, at Norway**, formerly occupied by **E. Gaynor**, and will fit the same up for a residence for himself.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 35 [Saturday, August 27, 1881], page 3, column 4

JOHN O'CALLAGHAN, the **biggest lumberman on the range**, toned up our town with his presence, about the center of the week. He **has built on the site of his old mill an excellent new saw mill, which has just gone into operation**. May abundant success attend him, is the wish of the MINING NEWS.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 37 [Saturday, September 10, 1881], page 3, column 3

WHILE on a **recent trip to Norway**, we noticed quite a number of changes. **Capt. J. H. Colwell** is snugly fixed up in the house formerly occupied by **C.L. Wendel**. Mr. Wendel smokes his genuine Havana on the broad verandah of **his new residence, formerly the hotel of Mr. Gaynor**. Gaynor is domiciled for the present in a building further down the street. **Charley Bush's Norway House** is the **principal hotel** and he is doing a fine business and Charley himself is as happy as a big sun flower. **C.L. Anderson** is doing a rushing business in the **hardware line**, which we should say would verge on the wholesale, when he buys building paper in ten ton lots. **Crane & McEllroy** *[sic – McElroy]*, **the pioneer merchants of the town***[,]* are building up a splendid business. **J.H. Gee & Co.**, in the **grocery, flour and feed trade**, manage to dispose of three or four car loads of goods a week, which they seem to think is not a bad showing at all. At least they declare themselves well satisfied with it. **Dr. L.J.**

Kimball is doing as good a business as ever and with the **post office** and his other duties has his hands full all the time. **Although building is not rushing with its former feverish haste, yet we noticed several new buildings and many signs of marked improvement in and about the village. The opening up of the numerous mines on the Felch Mountain range, has given a favorable impetus to business, which is felt to a marked degree.** The future prospects of Norway are bright and the present town augers well for a day in the future.

JOHN O'CALLIGHAN's *[sic – O'Callaghan's]* new sawmill, situated on the site of the one burned down last June, is a model of solidity and convenience. It is 30x120 feet on the ground, with a boiler house 20x40. A planer with planing room will be attached on the west side, as soon as possible. The capacity of the mill will be 30,000 a day, of twelve hours. The machinery was built in Oshkosh and is durable and substantial. One 52 inch Diston's circular, one edging and one butting-off saw are used. A sawdust conveyor and feeder conveys the sawdust to the fires. The inside of the roof of the boiler house is lined with sheet iron, which will be a great protection against fire. The mill is also supplied with a steam pump and 300 feet of rubber hose. In addition to these precautions a number of barrels, kept constantly full of water, will be placed on the roof, and a stock of buckets will be kept close at hand for use in an emergency. The outside of the roof is thickly covered with a coat of lime and salt, so that there can be no possible danger from sparks. The mill started up on Monday, and will be kept humming right along. A large stock of logs are *[sic – is]* in the yard and more from the adjacent timber are being added all the time. **Mr. O'Callighan *[sic – O'Callaghan]* makes a specialty of sawing long timber for bridges and similar structures.** The delay occasioned by the burning up of his former mill interfered seriously with his contracts, but he will, with this superior mill, soon have an opportunity of making up his losses.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 38 [Saturday, September 17, 1881], page 3, column 2

THE **Hanley Bros.*[,]* of Norway**, will open the **Colwell House**, at **Norway**, on the 28th instant *[sic – this month]*. Quite a large committee of reception has been selected from the various towns to officiate on the occasion.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 39 [Saturday, September 24, 1881], page 3, column 4

–**S.A. Reynolds**, of **Norway**, says he is working "like a cuss" at the new **Colwell House**.

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume XII, Number 44 [Saturday, October 8, 1881], page 8, columns 1-2

Range Items.

–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 41 [Saturday, October 8, 1881], page 3, column 2

NORWAY is showing a great many improvements this fall, prominent among which are the construction of three large water tanks, which are being sunk at the principal street corners. These tanks are made square and strongly braced by substantial frame work in the inside, so that there will be no chance of their caving in. **When they are ready a fire engine will be purchased, a fire company organized and an ample protection against a conflagration provided for. A sidewalk eight feet wide is being built on both sides of the street leading to the depot**, and where originally there was nothing but a wet tamarack swamp a fine and substantial graded street appears. This is an example that Florence might well imitate, as far as the sidewalks are concerned.

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.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 49 [Saturday, December 3, 1881], page 3, column 2

"The gang" runs things with a high hand about Norway. Scarcely a week passes without somebody being knocked down and robbed. And THE MINING NEWS rises to remark that it's time "the gang" was run in.

THE building being erected at Norway by the Menominee Mining Company, which is intended for the use of their men as a reading and club room, is just about completed, and will be ready for occupancy next week. It is a very substantial affair, and reflects much credit on the company. **Their hospital is also rapidly approaching completion.** Now let the Florence Mining Company do likewise.

IT may not be generally known, but the fact is, **Norway has a first-class brass band**. The band is under the leadership of **Prof. Scott**, and although comparatively a young band will compare favorably with many of the older ones in the state. Mr. Scott is an adept in the profess- *[sic – adept in the profession]* and besides knowing all there is to be known about music, is a **cornet player** of no mean order. Under his tuition, it will be but a short time before the **Norway Silver Cornet Band** will rank with the leading bands of the state.

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The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume I, Number 49 [Saturday, December 3, 1881], page 3, column 3

NORWAY has set an example that should be followed by every town on the range. The citizens of that burg have purchased a **fire engine**. True it is not a steamer – the town is too young for that – but it is a **first-class hand engine**, and when manned by the bone and muscle of Norway, will do good service in case of fire. A meeting of citizens was held at the **Opera House** last week for the purpose of organizing a fire company. The following are the officers of the organization: **John Stiles**, chief; **Richard Oliver**, asst. chief; **Chas. Bush**, captain; **Gene Gadbois**, capt. of hose cart; **James Thomas**, 1st pipeman; **Mat. Sherer**, 2nd pipeman. **J.P. Dunseth** was elected secretary, and **W. Lieberthal**, treasurer. The company as organized is a good one, and you bet they'll make the water fly when occasion requires. Trot on a small fire or two.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 7 [Saturday, February 11, 1882], page 3, column 4

One of the hotel keepers, in Norway, has been almost reduced to a state of bankruptcy by the ravenous appetite of a boarder. His appetite is something phenomenal. Huge platters of buckwheat cakes disappear like the mist before the morning sun. Dishes of potatoes vanish quicker than money at a church fair and his special dish – beefsteak – is attracted by the draft of his cavernous stomach clear away from the kitchen. Recently the landlord told him that as his month was up, he would have to raise $2 on his board to protect himself form total ruin during the next 30 days. "Mine Gott," said the boarder, "vat you dinks, I be a first national pank? Dunder and Blixen I boards myself, all de time, by tamm, you pet." The landlord is still alive.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence 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 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, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 33 [Saturday, August 12, 1882], page 1, column 3

P.J. BENNETT has sold out his interest in the Norway Iron Chronicle to Mr. Cooney. The firm is now McCarthy and Cooney. To the retiring editor THE MINING NEWS wishes success in any enterprise in which he may engage and hopes the new firm may wax rich and grow fat.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 50 [Saturday, December 9, 1882], page 1, column 5

THE accidental breaking of one of the arms of the main job printing press in the **Iron Chronicle** office, at Norway, inconvenienced the proprietors somewhat, last week. They were obliged to send it to Chicago for repairs. It was returned Sunday with the needed repairs.

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The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume II, Number 50 [Saturday, December 9, 1882], page 1, column 6

IT having been generally reported that **Billy Reynolds, the Norway party who is in the Menominee county jail on charges of highway robbery**, was found at a gambling board when arrested, there are those well acquainted with the circumstances, though no sympathizers of Reynolds, who claim he was arrested at his home, and desires the NEWS to so report. Again, on being searched, none of the money, alleged to have been stolen, was found on him. We give these facts in justice to the prisoner not alone, but to his parents, who have long been residents of Norway and are considered quite respectable.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 1 [Saturday, December 30, 1882], page 1, column 4

DR. KIMBALL, of **Norway**, since resuming his profession, enjoys a big practice. He always was **a favorite physician**.

NORWAY had a big **Christmas**, along with the rest of 'em. A great many residents of Iron Mountain were there all day, and it is calculated that nearly three thousand dollars changed hands in legitimate trade.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 3 [Saturday, January 13, 1883], page 1, column 5

ONE of the saddest deaths it has ever been our lot to chronicle occurred at Norway Saturday night, that of **Kate**, **wife of A.C. Cook**, Esq., daughter of Mr. **James Flannigan**, and sister of lawer *[sic – lawyer]* **R.C.** ***[Flannigan]***, **Capt. T.** ***[Flannigan]*** and locomotive engineer **J. Flannigan**. She was ill but a few days when cruel death claimed her, and cast a dark cloud of sorrow over kind relatives and a host of loving friends. Her children, two little cherubs, are left motherless, though fortunately too young to realize it. **Kate Flannigan** was born in Ontonagon county in 1853, where she resided until removing to Marquette with her parents. Here in the fall of 1880 she was married to Mr. Cook, and took up residence in Norway, where he was engaged in the practice of law and pursuit of mining. Her home in the range town was one of the happiest, not a shadow crossing its threshold, until the last sad hour. To the grief-stricken husband and motherless boy and girl the sympathy of all who know them goes out, while the memory of her who lies in the family vault at Marquette will not soon be forgotten.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 17 [Saturday, April 21, 1883], page 1, column 4

LAST week **lightning struck and set fire to the residence at Norway of Charles Hall, the musician and painter**, during the absence of the family and the building and contents including $250 in cash were consumed. Loss $1,000, insurance none. This is the second time Mr. Hall has been burned out of house and home.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III,

Number 18 [Saturday, April 28, 1883], page 1, column 5

THEY say Norway is awful dull, Quinnesec duller, and Waucedah dullest.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 21 [Saturday, May 19, 1883], page 1, column 4

C.B. AND E.W. INGALLS, of **Waucedah**, have prepared to send milk to tons on the Range, including Florence, Iron River and Crystal Falls.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 21 [Saturday, May 19, 1883], page 4, column 3

Milk ! Milk ! Milk !

On and after the 20th of May we will be prepared to furnish milk on the Range in wholesale quantities at greatly reduced prices. We can send milk fresh every morning to any town on the range. Milk delivered fresh in Florence two hours after milking, at prices greatly below the present scale. Milk promptly sent to **Iron River** and **Crystal Falls**.

C.B. AND F.W. INGALLS,
Waucedah, Mich.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Marinette County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 23 [Saturday, June 2, 1883], page 1, column 4

THE **Norway Chronicle** comes out more newsy and spicy with each issue, under the influence of **John McCarthy**'s trenchant pen.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 28 [Saturday, July 7, 1883], page 1, column 6

DR. J.S. BARRY, of Vulcan, physician to the Penn Mining Company, died on Friday and was buried on Sunday. He was thirty years old and very popular. Brother disciples of *Aesculapius* from all along the Range attended the obsequies, among them **Dr. Washburne**, of **Florence**.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 31 [Saturday, August 4, 1883], page 1, column 6

Charles L. Anderson, a popular and successful young **business man *[sic – businessman]* of Norway** has about completed arrangements to **open a bank at Iron Mountain**. All that is lacking is the safe and it is one the road.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume III, Number 35 [Saturday, September 1, 1883], page 1, column 6

FIRE AT NORWAY.

On Wednesday morning at about 2 o'clock a fire broke out at **John O'Callaghan's Opera House**, at the foot of Main Street, which had just been fitted up, and opened as a roller skating rink. The blaze spread unimpeded to adjoining buildings and consumed in short order **William Dickie's livery**, **Lieverthal's clothing store**, and the old **Nicholson drug store**, which contained some stock. The loss is estimated at $25,000, with small

insurance. The origin of the fire is shrouded in mystery.

The Marquette Mining Journal, Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan, Volume ___, Number ___ [September 8, 1883], page ___, column ___

Disastrous fire caused destruction of **O'Callaghan's Opera house building** and **Livery stable of Mr. W. Dickie** adjoining it on the west, late Tuesday night…opera house built by O'Callaghan Bros. three years ago…

The Iron Port, Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 4 [Saturday, December 22, 1883], page 8, column 1

Range Items.

–**A couple of drunken Indians smashed Rosenheimer's window and were arrested and fined.** A sober Indian notified the saloon men that the money to pay the fines must be raised by them or they would be prosecuted for **selling the liquor to the Indians**. The fines will be paid. – **Norway Iron Chronicle**.

Menominee Democrat, Menominee, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 2 [Saturday, November 14, 1885], page 5, column 4

COUNTY AND VICINITY.

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The **Norway Current** is informed upon authority that it deems reliable that the extension of the **Milwaukee & Northern railroad** is to be completed to the range at once. The engineers are now at work making the final survey, and our informant tells us that the heavy cuts on the new line will me *[sic – be]* made this winter. In the spring the work of grading, etc., will be commenced, and the road pushed to completion, as far as **Iron Mountain**, at least, as rapidly as possible. What direction the new road will take from Iron Mountain we are not informed, but that it will be in a western direction hardly admits of doubt. **A branch is to be built to Norway, and which will no doubt be extended to both the Vulcan mines.** The new road, which is now built to a point some twenty-five miles south of Iron Mountain, besides opening up a valuable timber country to the south of us, will afford our mining and other business interests much greater facilities for shiping *[sic – shipping]*, and as competition is the life of trade, it will also mean lower rates of freight. There is scarcely a doubt, form what we have heard, but that cars will be running on the new road early next summer.

Menominee Democrat, Menominee, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 9 [Saturday, January 2, 1886], page 5, column 3

J.H. Bush, of Norway, is building an addition to his residence.

Menominee Democrat, Menominee, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 10 [Saturday, January 9, 1886], page 5, column 4

Editorial Observations Around the County.

Norway is a nice little town. It has a fine situation, and as the great mines in that vicinity continue to develop, the place will increase in population and business. We paid a visit to Norway on Monday, and were

agreeably surprised especially with the fine appearance of the stores, and the large, attractive stocks of goods carried by the merchants. Going up on the train we run *[sic – ran]* across **Chris. Bertholdt***[,]* who was also going to Norway to visit his old friend **Chas. Treiber***[,]* who keeps the **Chicago House**. Mr. Treiber was a resident of Menominee for six years, part of which time he was proprietor of the Chicago House. He has been a resident of Norway about six years, and has acquired a nice hotel property, having built a large addition to the house last year. Next spring he will make further improvements, fixing up the bar room, etc. Charley furnishes his patrons with nice clean beds and good meals, and the only thing that prevents him from being a model landlord is his politics, but he will most likely see the error of his ways before the next election.

When you go to Norway you must go and see the **Norway mine** where they have the biggest wheel of any mine in the world. Everybody in Norway says so, and it must be so. **P. Flannigan *[sic – Flanagan]*, J.P.**, member of the town board and also of the school board, and proprietor of the **Norway meat market**, kindly volunteered to show us the machinery of the mine. The big wheel is about 32 feet in diameter and the engine of 450 horse power. Unfortunately for us **Jas. B. Lyons**, the designer of this big piece of mechanism and **general superintendent**, was over at the **Vulcan mine**, and he was saved the infliction of answering our questions – for the present at least. The nearest we came to going down into the mine was to watch the timbers being lowered into the infernal regions. They are building a tunnel now, to convey the water from the mine into a swamp about forty rods distant, and have a force of men working at it night and day. Returning*[,]* we called at the **Cyclops mine** where we met **Capt. Pat Lanigan**. This mine is above ground, and the mode of operations is not so difficult. It is not being worked very extensively at present.

Mr. Flannigan took us to visit the **village schools**. **There are seven teachers employed, and over 400 pupils enrolled.** The building is a frame one, heated by steam, very comfortably arranged, and furnished with globes, maps, patent seats, two organs, and other necessary paraphernalia. A brick school building will probably be among the future improvements contemplated by Norway citizens.

The **neatest and best arranged store in the town is that in which the postoffice *[sic – post office]* is situated**, kept by **Jas. H. Gee**, who was formerly clerk on one of the Goodrich steamers. The post office is a model of neatness and convenience. It will be made a salaried office next July. Mr. Gee is one of the most sociable of gentlemen we have ever met, and his appointment as P.M. *[postmaster]* gave general satisfaction.

R.C. Flannigan has a cozy office on the shady side of the street. Dick is **one of the popular lawyers of the county**, and his popularity is of the kind that like good wine improves with age. He has a bright future before him in his law practice, barring his political advancement for which he has no aspirations just at present.

John Stiles, another of the popular boys of the range, is **doing a good business in manufacturing cigars, and in his saloon trade**. He has recently opened up a branch sample room in the Gogebic region, which is panning out in good shape. He has our best wishes for future success.

We were pleased to meet other representative men of the town, including **James and John O'Callaghan**, **Thos. P. Hay**, **Mr. Rosenheimer**, **Antoine O'Dell *[sic – Anton O'Dill]***, **J.H. Bush**, and a host of Captains. About every other man you

meet on the range is a captain, so the appellation does not distinguish the individual to any great extent. In fact some of them disclaim the title, and prefer to be called by their plan unvarnished surnames.

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COUNTY AND VICINITY.

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What is going on round about us.

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Democrat Reporters gather Spicy Fragments on Every Hand.

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NORWAY.

From our own Correspsondent.

Monto *[sic – Monte]* Christo the 26th.

Miss **Allie Royce**, of **Escanaba**, is the guest of **Mrs. L.J. Kimball**.

Mrs. R.C. Flannigan and Miss **Aggie Flannigan** left town on Monday's train to visit their old home in **Marquette**.

Mrs. Edward Gaynor's mother, **Mrs. Ferris**, is dangerously ill.

The teachers and pupils of the Norway schools were photographed this week.

The **Royce bell ringers** played to a large house Tuesday evening.

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COUNTY AND VICINITY.

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NORWAY.

From our own Correspsondent.

Norway base ball *[sic – baseball]* club defeated the Crystal Falls club, 16 to 3, on Saturday last.

Sam Harteau, of **Green Bay**, spent a few days in town, during the past week.

Miss **Lillian Kimball***[,]* one of Norway's fairest daughters and **Will Godley**, **Escanaba's popular druggist**, are to be **married** next Tuesday, by Rev. Mr. Fair.

H.M. Pelham, of **Iron Mountain**, was in town during the past week.

Mrs. Buddle, of **Iron River***[,]* was the guest of Miss **Josie Knight**, for a few days.

Quite a party of young folks went to hear **Belva Lockwood** at **Quinnesec** Monday evening. They seemed to be well pleased with the discourse.

R.C. Flannigan returned from the County seat Tuesday.

The **Stephenson base ball *[sic – baseball]* nine are to play the Norway club**, Friday, June 11.

W. Spencer, of **Iron Mountain**, has been **doing dentistry at the Norway Hotel** during the past week.

A.C. Cook returned from the **Gogebic Range** Wednesday evening, where he has been for several days.

M. McCormick was in town this week.

Mrs. Kern returned to her home in **Marinette**, Tuesday, after a pleasant visit with her daughter, **Mrs. Dr. Lockart**.

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Mrs. St. Peter has been visiting **Mrs. Napoleon Toutloff** the past week.

John Stiles removed his cigar factory, this week, **next to his building on Main Street**.

School will close here June 25th, and some of the teachers will take vacation trips for the benefit of their constitutions and general good health.

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COUNTY AND VICINITY.

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What is going on round about us.

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NORWAY.

R.M. Sampson left town Saturday morning for **Portage**, where he will visit relatives.

Thomas Hay went to **Menominee** Sunday and returned Tuesday morning.

C.L. Wendel arrived here Monday.

Mrs. J.H. Gee and children left on Sunday for a visit to **Milwaukee**.

J.L. Sampson is making some needed **improvements in his store**.

The **busses running between here and Quinnesec to the circus** Saturday were crowded every trip both day and evening.

The township treasurer is around collecting poll tax.

The **well on Sunset hill** is so deep and so much water coming in that it requires a boiler and steam pump to keep the water out till the job is finished. It is now down over 100 feet.

Forest fires are raging between here and Pine Creek, and if rain does not come soon the fire department will have to turn out and show what kind of stuff it contains.

There was some money exchanged hands when the news arrived that the Chicago base ball *[sic – baseball]* club defeated the Detroits. Some were wild with joy, while others vowed never to bet again. But they will just the same.

On Tuesday night **burglars entered the C. & N.W. R'y depot** here **and tried to blow open the safe**, which contained $2,500 in vouchers and township orders that arrived on Tuesday's express. Besides, it also contained the railroad and ex- ***[light copy; need to view again for this line]*** The burglars drilled two holes about six inches deep, and then charging them with black powder set them off with a fuse. The charge not being of sufficient force, it only blew the first plate of the lag door partly open and bent the lock and bolts so that it could not easily be pried open. From appearances they were frightened away. Nothing was known of their work until **Ed Prevelle**, the **message boy**, went to sweep out in the morning when the safe was found partly blown open, and all the drawers of the desks piled about the room. He at once informed **station agent Malloy**. All the ***crook*** men got was a dollar and twenty cents, which had been left in one of the drawers. Empty revolver cartridge shells were found on the floor, also a can of black _____, a hammer and coal chisel. Under the depot were found a bit, brace, a piece of fuse and a large file which they had left behind them. The safe is badly damaged and will have to be sent to Chicago for repairs.

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Menominee Democrat, Menominee, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 39 [Saturday, July 31, 1886], page 5, column 4

COUNTY AND VICINITY.

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NORWAY.

R.M. Sampson is on the sick list this week.

Jas. H. Bush went to **Menominee** on Wednesday, returning Thursday.

Farmers in this vicinity report the **hay crop very light** this season.

The **Norway base ball *[sic – baseball]* club** went to ***[need to finish copying this column]***

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume VII, Number 5 [Saturday, January 29, 1887], page 4, column 2

Norway Nuggets.

(SPECIAL TO THE FLORENCE MINING NEWS)

C.D. Lawton, state geologist, is on the range collecting data for his forthcoming annual report.

No more coasting on Nelson street hill on Sundays. The township board has sat down on it officially.

Every piece of property in this vicinity on which there is the slightest hope of finding ore is now under option.

The **hospital at the Norway mine** begins to feel lonesome. It has not contained a patient now for over six weeks.

J.E. Bergeron left Sunday for Milwaukee on business connected with the **sale of the Stephenson mine**, returning Tuesday.

Mr. **Frank Toutloff**, of Nicollet, Wis., was in town the latter part of the week visiting his son **Napoleon**, and brother **Andrew**.

James Trottman, of Madison, Wis., has been looking over the town this week. While here he was the guest of **C.T. McElroy**.

Dr. S.J. Kimball left for the **Gogebic range** the latter part of the week. Rumor has it that he is looking up a site with a view to entering the drug business again.

James S. Dickie and others are exploring on the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 13, 39-29. The showing so far looks decidedly encouraging.

Quite a force of men are at work on the old **Iron Hill property**, which is now being operated by the **Fisk Exploring Co.** It is said that the pits put down show excellent signs of an ore deposit.

The Milwaukee parties who are exploring on the east half of the northeast quarter of section 13, 39-29, have abandoned work until such time as a pump and boiler can be placed on the property. The water drove the men out of every pit they tried to put down. As soon as the necessary pumping plant arrives work will be resumed.

At the **West Vulcan Mining Co's. explorations** the main shaft still continues iin ore of an excellent quality. It is the intention of the management we understand to continue sinking for some time to come and then cross-cut to learn the exact width of the deposit, as ore has been found in several pits 150 feet in width crossing the formation.

Messrs. **Joseph A. Aines**, **C.A. Avery** and **Edward Lobb** were here Friday of last week **looking over the Perkins and Stephenson mines**. They expressed

themselves as perfectly satisfied with the future prospects of both properties, and by the time this has reached the reader the sale of them no doubt has been effected. It is generally understood here that the new owners will consolidate the two mines, reorganizing with a capital stock of $2,000,000.

A gentleman from Milwaukee informed the writer a few days ago that the reason capitalists of his own city, and those of others interested in mining ventures, were looking now to the **Menominee and Marquette ranges** for investments was because they had come to the conclusion that they had far more stability than the **Gogebic range**. He also stated that many thousands… ***[need to finish copying this column]***

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume VII, Number 6 [Saturday, February 5, 1887], page 4, column 2

Norway Nuggets.

(SPECIAL TO THE FLORENCE MINING NEWS)

Another installment of Italians left here for the Gogebic range the early part of the week.

Sortor now wears a smile as broad as the inter-state commerce bill, his sixty-dollar **Russian blood-hound *[sic – bloodhound]*** having reached here at last.

Mr. **P.V. Cottrell**, of Ft. Howard, Wis., has accepted the position of **superintendent for the Fisk Exploring company**, with headquarters at this place.

The examination of the inmates of the disorderly house raided at Iron Mountain resulted in their being bound over to the circuit court, the bonds varying from three to five hundred dollars.

Dr. L.J. Kimball and **J.D. Sampson** returned from their Gogebic trip Friday last. Rumor has it that the former will soon return there and engage in the drug business. He has many friends here who wish him an abundance of success.

To-day *[sic – Today]* will be a red-letter day to the average small boy of Norway. The **fifth annual dog race** occurs this afternoon, to which every dog on the Range is invited. The management this year is in the hands of the Juvenile association, the officers and directors of former years having thrown up the sponge and gone exploring.

As a result of the **raiding of the Gage dive *[house of ill repute]* at Iron Mountain** complaint was made against **John Morrison** for keeping a similar institution last summer. His examination occurred Monday last, **Justice Devere** presiding. Morrison now lingers in the county bastile *[sic – Bastille]*, not being able to furnish the requisite bond of $5,000 for his appearance at the circuit court. The bond was placed pretty high, but then Iron Mountain figures him among her prominent citizens.

John Stiles removed his cigar factory to Menominee this week. He considered this place too far away from home, so to speak.

Thos. P. Hayes, who has been located at Hurley for the past few months, returned home Friday last thoroughly convinced that this range double discounts the Gogebic range any way you compare them.

With the demand there is here now for men to do…***[finish this column]***

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume VIII, Number 3 [Saturday, January 14, 1888], page 5, column 2

DICKINSON COUNTY HISTORY – CITY OF NORWAY – EARLY NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS

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A GOOD WOMAN GONE.

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Mrs. DeRosia, An Old Settler of This County, Crosses The Dark River.

Mrs. Mary Rose De Rosia, wife of Peter De Rosia, died at her home in Commonwealth at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mrs. De Rosia had been an invalid for more than a year past, her weight during that period having decreased from 265 pounds to about 175 pounds. She suffered a stroke of paralysis a week ago last Thursday morning, and remained in an almost helpless state and incapable of speech up to the hour of her death. On Monday morning of this week the lady was thought to be dead, but after a few hours, he *[sic – she]* recovered consciousness and appeared to rally somewhat. On the following morning, however, she peacefully breathed her last, surrounding by her sorrowing husband and a number of her grief-stricken children. The funeral was held at the Catholic Church in this city on Thursday morning, the remains being followed by a large number of friends to their last resting place in the Commonwealth cemetery. Mrs. De Rosia was 57 years of age and was the mother of twelve children, six boys and six girls. The **family emigrated from Lancaster, Glengarry County, Canada**, some eight or ten years ago, and **took up a residence in Norway, Mich.** They subsequently removed to Commonwealth, and were among the first settlers of that town. Possessing a lovable and generous disposition, the lady, during her long residence in this county, endeared herself to a large circle of friends and acquaintances, who truly and sincerely mourn her death.

Frank Rabashaw *[sic – Robichaud]*, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rabashaw, of Commonwealth, died early Sunday morning. The funeral occurred at the Catholic Church, in this city, at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume VIII, Number 25 [Saturday, June 16, 1888], page 5, columns 1-2

LAST SATURDAY'S FIRE.

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NORWAY PARTIALLY DESTROYED BY THE DEVOURING ELEMENT.

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The Fire Rages for Two Hours, During Which Forty-three Buildings in the Heart of the City Are Consumed – Loss Nearly $250,000 – Meagre *[sic – Meager]* Insurance – A Sketch of the Conflagration -- Scenes and Incidents – Burglaries at Commonwealth.

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A representative of the MINING NEWS visited the **burnt district at Norway**, on Monday, and, in company with a number of visitors from various towns on the range, viewed the ruins of the once busy and prosperous little city. **Almost every building covering four squares on either side of Main Street, the sole business thoroughfare of the place, were completly *[sic – completely]* destroyed**, scarcely a timber being left to mark the spot where any particular building stood previous to the conflagration.

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The fire broke out at 1:45 o'clock last Saturday afternoon in the alley in the rear of **J.M. Hosking & Co.'s hardware store**, which was located on the ground floor of the **Masonic Hall building**, on the southeast corner of Main Street and the second east and west street north of the railroad track. The origin of the fire at this writing is a mystery. In a few minutes after the discovery of the fire, the flames communicated with a quantity of gasoline in one of the back rooms, and the entire structure was instantly a mass of seething flames. Frantic efforts were made to get out the steam engine, located only a block distant, but most of the firemen were away and the steamer was found to be in an unmanageable condition. The fire rapidly spread both ways, north and south, and the people at once realized that the city was doomed. The flames swept across the side street and communicated with **C.T. McElroy's large general store building**, and thence swept northward with unabated fury. The buildings on the west side of the street were soon enveloped in mantles of flame, and but little opportunity was afforded the owners and occupants of the burning buildings to save anything of value. **The Norway House**, **Patenaude's drug and jewelry store**, **Phelps' bakery**, **Anderson's store**, **Lindquist's general store**, **Rosenheimer's dry goods store**, **High's jewelry store**, **Hay's hotel building**, **O'Callaghan's vacant store**, **Walace *[sic – Wallace]* & Ramsdell's hardware store** and dozens of smaller business houses were ignited and destroyed in quick succession. The fire swept across the four squares indicated, destroying every building – except the town hall – on the street east of and running parallel with Main Street, including the **postoffice *[sic – post office]*, which was located in Postmaster Gee's general store**. The hungry flames finally swept across the road in front of Gee's store and destroyed two buildings owned by **Patrick Flannigan *[sic – Flanagan]***. These buildings were situated on the bank of the hill overlooking the business centre *[sic]* of the town. In the meantime a **steamer from Iron Mountain**, nobly responding to a call for assistance, appeared upon the scene, followed somewhat latter *[sic – later]* by the local engine. Realizing that the north end of the town was doomed, the firemen made a gallant effort to stay the progress of the fire fiend at the southern end of Main Street. In this they, aided by a change of wind and a heavy rain*[,]* were, partially successful. The **Current building** had a miraculous escape form destruction. Almost surrounded by fire, **Editor Knight** and his associate, **J.H. MacNaughten *[sic – MacNaughton]***, assisted by the typos, fought the fire with desperation. At times it seemed almost impossible to save the structure, which is situated on an elevation immediately at the head of Main Street. The forms for the regular weekly issue, which had been made up and placed on the press just before the breaking out of the fire, were dragged up the hill in the rear, together with other material. Happily the wind, which had been blowing stiffly from the southwest, shifted to the west and a heavy rain began to fall. This timely visitation of Providence had the effect of checking the flames, which were soon afterward brought under control.

The loss is estimated by Editor Knight at between $220,000 and $250,000. The insurance on the burnt property was ridiculously small, scarcely reaching $20,000. The losses of those carrying insurance were as follows: **C.T. McElroy**, $30,000; insurance $4,000. **J.H. Gee**, $11,000; insurance $3,500. **Masonic Society**, $5,200; insurance, $2,000. **L. Rosenheimer**, $14,000; insurance $5,000. **J. Lindquist**, $12,000; insurance $1,000.

Thomas Hay, $5,000; insurance $600. **John Reiber**, $2,500; insurance $600. **S.T. High**, $13,000; insurance $1,000. **P. Flannigan *[sic – Flanagan]***, $7,000; insurance $1,000. The losses sustained by the other victims of the fire were uncovered by insurance, the majority of whom have lost everything they owned. These include **J.M. Hosking & Co.**, $7,000; **J. Ahlich & Son**, $3,500; **F. Nowack**, $3,000; **A. Husson**, $3,000; **A. Patenaude**, $6,500; **A. Phelps**, $5,000; **M. Anderson**, $7,500; **Dr. C.D.A. Wright**, $650; **J.D. Sampson**, $2,000; **F. LeRoy**, 4,000 *[sic - $4,000]*; **A. Toutloff**, $2,500; **A. Odill**, $5,000; **Mrs. Van Dyke**, $2,000; **Walace *[sic – Wallace]* & Ramsdell**, $9,000; **Robt. Johnson**, $4,000, and many others whose losses range from $100 to $2,000.

While the fire was raging and the people were almost crazed with excitement and fright, a gang of thieves carried on their operations with brazen audacity. The few goods and household effects which were removed from the buildings and carted to a place of supposed safety on the hall road leading to the mine, were seized and carried away by the human vultures who hovered in droves in the vicinity. The depredations of the lawless gang were a disgrace to a civilized community.

Though burned out of "house and home," **Postmaster Gee**, even in the hour of his deep misfortune, did not forget the duty he owned the people and the government. He managed to save all the mail and postoffice *[sic – post office]* effects, which were removed to a small building near by *[sic – nearby]*, where the boxes were re-arranged *[sic – rearranged]* and mail was distributed as usual two hours after the fire.

John Lindquist, one of Norway's enterprising young business men *[sic – businessmen]*, left a day or two before the fire for Sweden, to visit his parents whom he had not seen since a boy. He stopped off a day or two in Marinette, and arrived in Chicago on Saturday. Mr. Lindquist read an account of the fire in the Sunday morning Herald, and, instead of leaving in the afternoon for New York, as he intended doing, took the first train for Northern Wisconsin, arriving home on Monday.

Norway has a population of about 1,500, and was one of the first towns built on the range, its birth occurring in 1879. With few exceptions, the business men *[sic – businessmen]* made every dollar they owned in the town, and thus the results of years of hard labor and the fruits of their frugality were wiped away in a few moments *[sic – moments']* time. There never has been a business failure in Norway, and the majority of the business men *[sic – businessmen]*, though without means, have an abundance of credit wherever they are known. A score or more of temporary wooden buildings have been erected here and there on the burnt district, and many of the merchants have resumed business on a limited scale. The city will be rebuilt, mostly with stone and brick, and a number of storekeepers and others are already making arrangements for the erection of fire-proof buildings.

Nearly every two-story building that was destroyed by Saturday's fire, was occupied by one to three families. The homeless ones were given shelter by those who escaped the fire, and their temporary wants were amply provided for. Four families were given quarters in the Town Hall, and **A. Patenaude** and Attorney **R.C. Flannigan** opened a drug store and law office, respectively, in the same building. **Editor Knight** threw open his building to as many of the victims as he could accommodate, and **Lawyer Cook**, **John Lindquist**, **Druggist High** and **Barber Brazam** accepted the invitation and are

duly ensconsed *[sic – ensconced]* in the **Current office**.

Dr. Wright, who is a brother-in-law of **W.J. Hocking**, of **Florence**, lost everything he possessed, except the clothes on his back, a revolver, watch and sixty cents in cash.

A meeting of the citizens of Norway was held in the Town Hall on Monday, and soliciting, relief and distributing committees were appointed. Substantial assistance has been generously tendered by various cities and towns in Northern Michigan and Wisconsin, and little or no actual suffering for food or clothing is apprehended.

The Royal Court Comedy Company will give a performance at Iron Mountain this evening for the benefit of the Norway sufferers.

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

The Insurance Man's "Empty" Revolver.

Down in **Norway**, last week, **A.H. Hayes**, **agent for the Washington Life Insurance Company**, and another gentleman, *[sic]* got into a dispute about the merits of their respective revolvers. Mr. Hayes got both weapons into his hands, knowing that one of them was loaded. While talking, he carelessly pulled the hammer of the one he thought wasn't loaded, and the next moment every man in the store was either trying to duck down behind the counter, *[sic]* or make his way to the street door. Almost by a miracle, *[sic]* the bullet didn't strike anybody, although there were a number of customers in the place. If Mr. Hayes does this sort of thing often people will suspect that it is only an advertising dodge of his to illustrate practically the value of life insurance in his company.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 5 [Thursday, April 25, 1889], page 1, column 3

RICHARDS' Musical Tourists gave an entertainment Saturday evening to a very appreciative audience. The audience could not be other than appreciative, as the company gave an entertainment that could not help pleasing all. The male quartette ranks among the best on the road, and its presentation of "Tales of Woe," *[sic]* is always received with rounds of applause. Time after time the quartette was called back by applause; the audience apparently wouldn't tire of the singing. The scenes form Mascotte and Il Travatore were well received. The art scenes far exceed any thing *[sic – anything]* of the kind ever seen in the upper peninsula. No company ever played here who gave better satisfaction than Richards' Musical Tourists. – **Norway Current.**

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume XI, Number 26 [Saturday, June 2, 1891], page 8, column 1

Wright, the Great Sprinter, in Town.

George Wright, of **Norway**, spent two or three days this week in **Florence**, the guest of his sister and brother-in-law, **Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Hocking**, Florence Avenue. Mr. Wright is the young gentleman who easily defeated **Herb Simpson, Iron Mountain's much boasted sprinter**, in a foot race in that city, last week. The Journal says "Wright in undoubtedly the

fastest sprinter in the upper peninsula, and Simpson, although a good one, was clearly outclassed. About $200 of Iron Mountain's money went into Norway's charity fund." He is **studying medicine in the office of his brother, Dr. Wright**, one of the ablest physicians and surgeons on the range.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 31 [Thursday, December 27, 1900], page 4, column 5

BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

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Over 1200 persons have been vaccinated at Norway during the past two weeks.

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We learn that arrangements are nearly completed for the **establishment of a state bank at Norway**.

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

NORWAY NOTATIONS.

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Jos. Hoheisel, one of the pioneers of Norway, has sold his residence and will remove to Ann Arbor, where he will embark in the grocery and meat business.

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The **Norway Study Club**, *[sic]* held the first meeting of the season at *[the]* residence of **Mrs. J.M. Bennane** last Tuesday afternoon. The study for the ensuing year will be "A Trip Through France." The next meeting will be held on Tuesday afternoon at the residence of **Mrs. Earl Benson**.

There was a great deal of excitement in the city last Tuesday morning over the report that a **wild man had been seen in the woods about six miles north of the city on the Metropolitan road**. **Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sequin** were out on that road Monday afternoon hunting partridges, and while Mr. Sequin was away from the rig for a short distance, Mrs. Sequin saw a man running through the woods. She thought he was naked and that his body was covered with hair. Becoming frightened, she called to her husband, who hurried to her side and just caught a glimpse of the man as he disappeared through the woods. They returned to the city and reported what they had seen. The story spread rapidly and the next morning a large posse of men was organized, headed by **Postmaster Sampson**, and armed with rifles, shot-guns *[sic – shotguns]* and 200 feet of half-inch rope, started for the woods to hunt for the wild man. They had not proceeded far before **Pat Langin**, who is employed as **pocket man at the Aragon mine**, overtook them and confessed to being the one thought to be the wild man. Mr. Langin was out hunting partridges and was clothed in a dark colored wool shirt and pants and the shirt was open at the neck and exposed his chest. This, with the fact that he wore long hair and beard, made him appear to Mrs. Sequin like a wild man as he was running after a wounded bird through the underbrush. The posse returned to the city. As the sequel to wild man was made known to the public their fears were allayed and they at once began to realize the ridiculous side of the affair.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 23 [Thursday, October 27, 1904], page 5, column 4

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NORWAY NOTATIONS.

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The ladies of the **Gymnasium club** will give a **Hallowe'en party** at **Valhalla Hall** next Monday night. The entertainment will consist of music and social games. Refreshments will be served.

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The **Menominee Range Telephone** has decided to **extend their line into the Pine Creek farming district**, a distance of six miles, *[sic]* one hundred and fifty poles for this line have been purchased from the **O.C. Lumber Co., at Sturgeon mill**. Work on the line will be started at once. The company has also made some extensive repairs on the lines in the city.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 24 [Thursday, November 3, 1904], page 5, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NOTATIONS.

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Fire broke out in the coal pile at the **Aragon No. 4 shaft** last Monday and a force of men were put to work at once to spread out the coal and reach the fire, so that a stream of water could be turned on to extinguish it.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 25 [Thursday, November 10, 1904], page 5, column 5

NORWAY NEWS NOTATIONS.

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Jos. Milks and **R.C. Henderson** left last Tuesday for **Tollen's Spur, near Channing**, where they will hunt deer for the next ten days.

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Jos. Legendre and **Chas. High** went to **Florence** on Monday to move the central office of the **Michigan State Telephone company**.

The **Oliver Iron Mining company** finished shipping from the stock-pile *[sic – stockpile]* at the **Aragon** last Thursday. They have about 17,000 tons left in stock. They are still shipping the output.

The Menominee Range Telephone company has finished setting the poles for the six miles of line to the Pine Creek district and has over three miles of wire strung. The line will probably be finished this week.

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The **foot ball *[sic – football]* game between the Norway city eleven and Company I eleven of Marinette** last Tuesday afternoon resulted in a victory for the latter. The score was 11 to 0. The scoring was all done in the last half. It was a good game. The Norway team was considerably lighter than the Marinette, but played a more brilliant game. Beef won, however.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 26 [Thursday, November 17, 1904], page 8, column 5

NORWAY NEWS NOTATIONS.

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Postmaster Sampson was out at **Brown's Lake** hunting last week and shot three deer.

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John G. Kass, **Frank Ahlich** and **Wm. Ramsdell** went to **Lyons' Lake** last Wednesday to deer hunt.

Rev. P.M. Flannigan, of Chicago, is at **Brown's Lake** with his brother, **R.C. Flannigan**, hunting deer.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 27 [Thursday, November 24, 1904], page 5, column 2

NORWAY NEWS NOTES.

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The Curry schools were closed last Tuesday morning, diphtheria having broken out amongst the children.

Miss Anna Sullivan, teacher at the Curry school, left for her home at Menominee last Tuesday morning.

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August Eye, the **Norway baker** who accidentally shot himself while shooting deer a week ago Sunday, is rapidly recovering.

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The **leap year party** given by the young ladies of the **Norway Club** last Friday evening was enjoyed by a number of **Iron Mountain** and **Niagara** people. The party was one of the social events of the season.

The two-year-old daughter of **August Barth**, while playing with a knife, thrust the blade into her eye, causing a bad wound, which, for a time, was thought would result in blindness. The little one was taken to **Dr. Elwood** at **Menominee** and information has been received to the effect that no permanent injuries will result.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 29 [Thursday, December 8, 1904], page 5, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NOTES.

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John G. Kass has purchased Wm. Bartch's saloon.

John G. Kass was in Menominee on business last Friday.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 30 [Thursday, December 15, 1904], page 9, column 2

NORWAY NEWS NOTES.

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Prof. Thomas Buzzo is making a grand success of the **Norway city band**. A large collection of classical music has been received, and the boys can handle it in good style. All they need is new uniforms and it is rumored that the city will furnish them next spring.

One of the bowling teams, composed of **R.H. Sherman**, **J.F. Jackson**, **Peter Brachetti**, **J.E. Quarnstrom** and **W.R. Mitchell**, styling themselves "The Apaches," challenge any team on the range to bowl for fun, money or marbles.

McDonald, of the **city foot-ball *[sic – football]* team**, who has **undergone an operation at Columbia hospital**, is doing nicely. **Turner** and **Alberty *[sic – Alberti]*** will also soon be O.K. The above named were **injured while playing foot-ball *[sic – football]***.

The **Lake View school**, *[sic]* which was closed a few weeks go on account of diphtheria is open again. So far there has been but one death caused by **diphtheria** and the number of cases is growing less.

The **basketball teams** have been busy practicing lately, and the people are anxiously looking ferward *[sic – forward]* to

a game between the city girls and high school girls.

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Bowling at the Valhalla is getting to be quite interesting. Large crowds may be seen there every evening.

The **City foot-ball *[sic – football]* team** will soon give a **dance at the Val ----- *[Valhalla Hall]***, the best hall in the city.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 31 [Thursday, December 22, 1904], page 11, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NOTES.

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The Vulcanites were defeated by the Invincibles in a **bowling match** last Friday night.

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The young ladies defeated the married ladies in a **bowling match** last Saturday evening.

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There is a movement on foot to organize a local lodge of the **Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks**. A list of forty-two names has already been subscribed.

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The **residence and millinery store of Miss A. Wallin, on Railroad street, were damaged by fire** last Thursday night. The building belonged to **Alfred Nicolson** and was damaged to the extent of $750. The damage on the millinery stock was the result of smoke and water and is estimated at $500. There was no insurance on either the building or stock.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 12, Number 17 [Thursday, September 19, 1907], page 6, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Joseph Ruwitch & Son have the plans in hand for a **new store building**, 90x90 feet on the foundations, to be built on the south side in the near future.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 12, Number 52 [Thursday, May 14, 1908], page 5, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Jos. Ruwitch & Son have decided to build a **new store building this summer at the corner of Nelson and Arthur streets**. The structure is to be one hundred feet front and ninety feet deep. It will be two stories high with a basement. The estimated cost of the building is $25,000. It will be constructed of stone and brick. The contract will be let about June 1st.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 13, Number 34 [Thursday, January 14, 1909], page 4, column 2-3 (line illustration of store)

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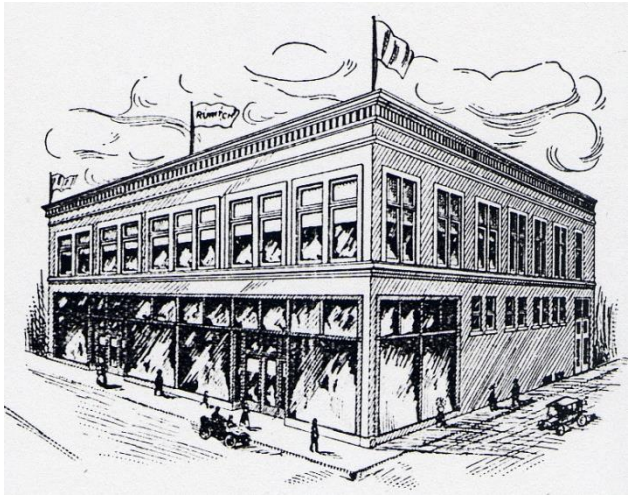

NORWAY UP-TO-DATE!

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The New Store Now Being Completed by Jos. Ruwitch & Sons Excites General Administration.

The **new department store building** now being completed in Norway by **Jos. Ruwitch & Sons**, *[sic]* is in many respects a magnificent structure and would do credit to a city many times the size of our sister city. Leading merchants in this vicinity, who have visited the building, have complimented the owners on its appearance, and no doubt many of our subscribers will be interested in a description of the store and the cut which we have had an opportunity to reproduce.

The location of the new building is ideal – directly in the center of the **New South Nelson Street townsite** and **opposite the First National Bank building**.

The structure, which measures 90 feet on Arthur Street and 75 feet on Nelson Street, is of dark red brick trimmed with Bedford stone. There will be one hundred feet frontage of plat glass show windows, brilliantly illuminated at night by scores of electric lights. The backgrounds of some of these show windows will be made of mirrors, and some will be finished in mahogany, and in their rich appearance will rival many of the window seen in larger cities. The main floor will be devoted to clothing, shoes, furnishings, cloaks, dry goods, etc. Among the commendable features of the main floor equipments *[sic – equipment]* will be the installation of sectional garment wardrobes. None of the clothing or the cloaks will lay on tables – all will be hung in these dust-proof cases. A very large contract for fixtures has been placed with the M. Winter Lumber Co., of Sheboygan, Wis.

Upon a spacious balcony will be located the Rest Room, which will be furnished with numerous conveniences that shoppers will appreciate – also the offices and wrapping department.

The second floor, which is the full size of the building – 75x90 feet – will be devoted entirely to rugs, carpets, curtains, draperies, bedding, china, glassware, crockery, kitchenware and furniture of all kinds. The furniture department will be an additional one for Jos. Ruwitch & Sons, and they have engaged Mr. F.C. Filter, of Grand Rapids, as manager of that department. The firm intends to make this department one of the best of its kind on the Menominee Range. The basement will be given over to the unpacking department and reserve stock.

We have no doubt that this store, with its excellent equipment assuring up-to-date service, will be greatly appreciated by the enterprising people of Norway and vicinity.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 13, Number 45 [Thursday, April 1, 1909], page 6, columns 3-4 [advertisement]

A Personal Invitation to Iron Mountain Folks to Come to Our New

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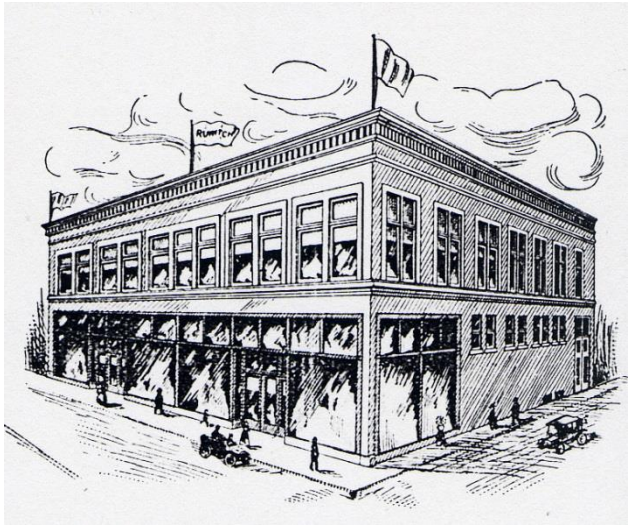
Store Opening

We are going to hold a very special "House-warming" on TUESDAY, APRIL 6th and would like the people of Iron Mountain to come and share in the festivity. Trust you will accept this as a personal invitation to see our splendid now store and view all the new styles in Men's, Women's and Children's wearing apparel – also our furniture and housefurnishing [sic] *departments.*



Everybody in this part of the State seems to speak highly of our new store and splendid stocks. A visit here will show you why. It will be to your advantage also for you'll find out how much better selections and greater values you can obtain here.

Free Souvenirs to All

For the ladies we have an Artistic Placque – decorated with engraving of our store – will look pretty on the wall at home. For the men we have a Card Case of black seal leather. Get one with our compliments.

No Goods Sold on Opening Day

Be our guest on this occasion – we will gladly show you around and you can leisurely inspect our home and these most attractive new stocks.

Very truly yours,

Jos. Ruwitch & Sons
Norway, Michigan.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 22 [Thursday, October 21, 1909], page 5, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

The **excavation for the basement for the new brick building for J.B. Knight** is now in progress. The building will be a two-story brick, 30x70 feet in size, with concrete basement and will adjoin the Weber pharmacy on the north. The first floor will be rented for store purposes, and the second floor will be occupied by Mr. Knight as **office and composing room for the Norway Current** and by Attorney J.C. Knight for offices, and the basement for a press room for the Current. The basement and second floor will be connected by an elevator.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 7 [Thursday, July 7, 1910], page 5, column 4

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS.

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A store building owned by Peter Blom and leased to the Italian-American Mercantile association, was blown up and partially wrecked by dynamite last Monday evening about 9:30. Dynamite had been placed under the front and rear ends of the building. The front was badly wrecked, but there being a cellar under the rear, the force of the dynamite went into the cellar and only a little damage was done to that part of the building. The police have no clew *[sic – clue]* as yet to who committed the deed and no reason can be assigned for the act. The building will be repaired at once so that the association can start in business.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 13 [Thursday, August 18, 1910], page 5, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

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Two special policemen have been appointed for service at the ball park to keep out the dead-beats *[sic – deadbeats]*, who climb over the fence instead of paying twenty-five cents admission. A few arrests and fines will put a stop to that class of cheap fans.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 21 [Thursday, October 13, 1910], page 5, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS.

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J.E. Bergeron has disposed of all the live stock *[sic – livestock]* on his farm except one cow and a team of driving horses and is now seeding 200 acres of the farm with rye, timothy and clover. He anticipates that the fall seeding will do better than spring seeding.

A foot-ball *[sic – football]* team, on association lines, is being organized among the young Cornishmen, *[sic]* of Norway. They expect to have the organization completed by the end of this week. They will then be open for a game with the Iron Mountain team.

There will be **an art exhibit at the high school** on Monday and Tuesday, the 24th and 25th of this month, of over two hundred engravings owned by the Edson Co., of Boston. An admission of ten cents will be charged. The proceeds of the exhibit will be used to purchase pictures for the school.

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A county convention of Granges of Dickinson was called for Saturday, 1st inst. *[of this month]*, to be held at the city hall. Only the Norway and Waucedah granges were represented. The object of the convention was to elect delegates to the State Grange and **Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Thompson** were elected as the two delegates from Dickinson county.

Owing to the fact that the parochial school is closed this year, there is an increase in the attendance of over two hundred pupils at the public schools and at a recent meeting of the board of education a committee was appointed to devise plans for additional room. The intention is to furnish two rooms in the basement of the high school building, now used for other purposes, and engage two more teachers.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 27 [Thursday, November 24, 1910], page 7, column 2

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS.

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The **Norway Dancing club** will give a dance at the auditorium this evening*[.]* This is the second of a series of ten dances to be given by the club this season.

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There will be a **game of foot-ball *[sic – football]*** **at Vulcan** this afternoon between **Capt. Billy's mighty warriors** and the **Vulcan team**. The Norway fans are betting heavily on the "mighty warriors."

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The **new Scandia Hall** will be dedicated this afternoon and evening. A program consisting of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered and supper served. Later in the evening dancing will be enjoyed.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 16 [Thursday, September 2, 1920], page 1, column 4

Looking Over Norway.

We are still **hearing report about engineers of the General Motors company looking over lands at Norway, on the Menominee range, with the idea of locating a plant there**. If this should materialize Dickinson county will have still further reason to give industrial thanks. It would be a great bull card for that county if it secured both a Ford plant and a General Motors plant within its borders. We hope it gets them. – Iron Ore.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 18 [Thursday, September 16, 1920], page 1, column 2

RAID NORWAY RESORTS.

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Federal Agents Capture Several Violators in Neighboring City.

Leo J. Grove, of **Marquette**, **federal prohibition chief for this district**, accompanied by several of his assistants, spent a few hours in Norway and vicinity the other day and as a result of their visit **John Bertoldi**, keeper of a soft drink parlor, was arrested when a nearly empty bottle of moonshine was found on the premises. **Henry Vermulen**, also of **Norway**, and keeper of another soft drink parlor, was arrested upon discovery of a two-gallon jug of moonshine.

A raid upon the home of **Julius Rossi**, of **Vulcan**, brought to light two one-gallon jugs of liquor, which were confiscated. Rossi denies knowledge of the liquor, claiming that "someone must have put it there." He was arrested for illegal possession of liquor.

The raid was made because of reports that Rossi was operating a still, but, according to Mr. Grove, if so, he used a great deal of caution. The agents found a condenser and several empty barrels, but no still.

Seizure of the liquor from a private home brought up the question of what constitutes legal ownership. Ownership of any moonshine is illegal, Mr. Grove points out, inasmuch as its manufacture is illegal. Ownership of liquor legally manufactured is not barred in a private home.

Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, _____ Year, Number _____ [Wednesday, July 5, 1922], page 3, column 1

Norway

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HUGE SUCCESS

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Credit Due Woman's Club For Excellent Celebration Program

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Norway's juvenile Fourth of July celebration was a great success. From the time of the parade, which started at 9:30 yesterday morning, until late last night there was "something doing every minute" as promised. The parade, headed by **Marshall of the Day Dario Rossi**, started from the Central school, went north on Norway street to Railroad street; east to Nelson and south to the City Park, where, after a salute to the flag, the Declaration of Independence was read by Richard Henderson.

Then America was sung by the hundreds gathered to hear the speaker, followed by a stirring address by Raymond Turner.

A large number of floats were in the parade, in which about 500 children marched. The **O'Callaghan car** was awarded first prize for the best decorated automobile. The car contained a "bridal party" – Miss **Johanna Vanderheyden**, as the bride, and **Joseph Grogan***[,]* as the groom.

Second prize went to the **Murray machine**, bearing Uncle Sam and Miss Liberty, impersonated by **Bernard Campbell** and Miss **Eleanor Pearson**. **Tom Quick** and **William Halls**, dressed as Charlie Chaplin and his wife, were awarded honors for the comic costume.

Races Were Good.

The race program was very successful. The dog race was called off, as there were no entries. In the 60 yard dash for boys under eight, **Robert Henderson** took first and **Arson Herman** second prize.

Results of the other races follow:

60 yard dash for girls under 8 – **Mary Cerccotti** first; **Martha Herman** second.

75 yard dash for boys under 12 – **Clyde Baragwante**, first; **Louis Bettaga *[sic – Bettiga]***, second; William Pelle- ***[need to finish copying this article]***