

THE METZ HOLOCAUST.

The forest fires that have recently devastated so much of the upper part of the lower peninsula of Michigan have been more serious in their consequences than most people imagine. Not a day goes by that a large part of the Thumb was swept by devouring flames and many lives lost has there been a fire in the state so disastrous. Nearly a hundred lives and many thousand dollars worth of property is the ghastly sacrifice to the fire demon. Those not acquainted with conditions in the northern woods cannot understand how these fires can overleap the bounds of the forests and devour whole towns as in the case of the village of Metz. Being acquainted with that country and having while located at Millersburg in Presque Isle county made slight incursions into these forest jungles, the editor of this paper is not surprised at the fearful velocity or ferocity of the flames. In a season like this when so much in the forests is like tinder it is not surprising that a fire once started soon gets beyond human control. Bishop Williams put the matter clearly and succinctly in his report to the Detroit Journal when he speaks of the wasteful extravagance of the northern lumbermen in allowing the chips and limbs of the trees that have been felled for lumber to accumulate as fuel for just such a holocaust as this. But this is not all. In most of the northern woods there are thousands of dead trees both standing and lying on the earth that in case of fire must make a roaring furnace of flame. The chopped over portions of this northern country are had enough in case of fire, but the dense thickets of small growth, principally of pine and cedar, are much worse.

The town of Metz was practically surrounded by dense forest growth and on the north side of the town this dense growth came right up to the back yards of many of the houses. No wonder that when fire swept through this it swept the town and carried death and destruction in its path.

The time has been when forest fires like those we have had this season in northern Michigan would have attracted little attention, but that was before the country was settled up. In years past, before the country was settled up, many thousands of acres of finely timbered land in that section went up in flame and smoke without the loss of human life. It is the loss of life that lends the greatest horror to the situation now.

The people of Michigan will see that the survivors of these forest fires, many of whom have not only lost every dollar they had in the world, but those who were nearest and dearest to them, shall not suffer for the necessities of life. The long winter soon coming on of that rigorous climate would necessarily entail much suffering were not the hand of charity stretched forth to these poor people in their extremity. But the people of Michigan whose lot has been blessed and who have not been visited by calamity will be generous.

The state wide appeal of Governor Warner for aid for the sufferers has met with instant and hearty response everywhere. Twenty large boxes of supplies, mostly clothing, were shipped from here the first of the week and about \$65 in money has also been contributed and sent to the sufferers. If the response is so generous all over the state those unfortunate people will be well provided for for the winter.

climb into the republican band wagon. Some that were loudest in their denunciations are now warmly advocating Mr. Warner's election and go so far as to say his election is certain. In that they are correct. Governor Fred M. Warner of Farmington will be elected for the third term.

Selfishness is the great sin of the age. It is the foe of happiness and progress. So long as you and I think only of self, our aspirations centered in self, our whole concern for our own pleasure rather than the happiness of our fellowmen, just so long will our lives be narrow and useless to the world. We do not begin to live, to see life in its true aspect, until we rise above self and have due respect for the rights of our fellows.

Clarenceville.

Dan Curry was a Detroit visitor last week.

Mrs. Brownie Cook spent Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Brownie Cook was a Detroit visitor Thursday.

Mrs. John Grace was a Farmington caller Saturday.

Mrs. Pullen of Detroit visited in this neighborhood last week.

Will Goers' daughter, who has been very ill, is much better.

Miss Lizzie Botsford was a Detroit visitor a part of last week.

Miss Fannie Gray called on Mrs. Hugh McDermott Sunday.

Mr. Bartlett's son, who has been very ill, is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Teagan entertained friends from Detroit Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Bauer of Detroit, Oct. 19, an eight-pound boy.

Mrs. Chas. Teag and daughter and Mrs. Will Eckler were Detroit visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. H. Bauer has returned home from a week's stay with her son, William, in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Comstock of Detroit spent part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Comstock.

Wm. Broughman and family have moved into Mrs. Barker's house, having rented the farm for another year.

Miss Jennie Comstock, who had been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Ed. Johnson, at Franklin the past two weeks, has returned home.

East Livonia.

Sam McKinney was a Plymouth visitor last Saturday.

Ira Wilson was in Detroit on business last Friday.

Asa Shaw was in Detroit on business last Monday.

A number from here attended the Graham sale last Friday.

Chas. Ashcroft of Plymouth was in town on business last Saturday.

Born to Mrs. Marcus Hubert, a daughter. Mother and child doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Wintersign called on Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Wilson last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug Krumm entertained the latter's sister from Detroit last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hirschlieb called on Mr. and Mrs. Will Gowe Saturday evening.

Norman Wilson of Ann Arbor has been visiting relatives in this vicinity the past week.

There was not a very large attendance at the dance given at the new mill at Elm last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wolfram are the proud possessors of a young daughter, that arrived last week.

This town will be pretty well represented on the jury list next month, the following being drawn

for the November term of the circuit court: John Mow, Will Wolf Jr., Chas. Wolfram and Harry Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hirschlieb and Mr. and Mrs. Will Rosow of Clarenceville attended the social hop given by Mr. and Mrs. Aug Geister of Nichols corners Wednesday night. The light fantastic was skipped until the wee sma' hours of the morning, when all returned to their various homes with the happy thoughts lingering in their memory over the merry occasion.

The barn of Forest Robde, one mile west of Elm, was discovered on fire about four o'clock Sunday morning and before Forest got there it had spread with such rapidity that it was impossible to save anything. A hole was cut in the wall through which he succeeded in removing two horses, the other two perishing in the flames, together with all his grain, hay, wagons and farm implements. Had the fire occurred several nights previous his cows would also have perished, but luckily they had been turned out owing to the warm weather. The insurance is light. Cause of fire is unknown.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 10th day of October, A. D. 1908.

Present: Hon. Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Sarah Lock, deceased. Alfred H. Phelps, administrator with will annexed of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying for license to sell at private sale the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is ordered, That the 28th day of November, A. D. 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Farmington Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.

A true copy. Ross Stockwell, Clerk of Probate.

Probate Notice.

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Alfred H. Phelps, administrator with the will annexed of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of his final account, assignment of the real estate, and for the settlement of the estate:

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 26th day of September, A. D. 1908.

Present: Hon. Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Frederick Ules, deceased.

Lena Gies, administratrix with the will annexed of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of her final account, assignment of the real estate, and for the settlement of the estate:

It is ordered, That the 26th day of October, A. D. 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Farmington Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

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The following letters remain uncalled for at the Farmington post office.

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