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ALPENA'S GREAT FIRE.

THIRTEEN HUNDRED HOMELESS.

Several Lives Lost and Property Valued at \$400,000 Destroyed by the Flames.

Just sixteen years ago Alpena, Michigan, was laid in ashes, and now thirteen blocks are a mass of smoldering ruins.

The fire department was helpless and there was nothing to do but wait until the fire had exhausted itself.

While the fire was slowly sweeping down through a half mile of the town, the people were moving out household goods and carrying valuables back of the town.

Three million feet of lumber, belonging to F. W. Gilchrist, Folkerts, McPhos & Co., of Alpena, and Burrows & Bert, of Saginaw, valued at \$7,500 was also lost.

Mrs. Ann McLean, of Buffalo, was burned to death. Mrs. Putvin, aged 73, is so badly burned that she is not expected to live.

A CLOUD-BURST.

Additional Details of Devastation in West Virginia.

As the ravages of the storm are repaired additional advice as to the extent of the destruction are received from sections not before open to communication.

In Barbour county lumbermen are all heavy losers. The loss on Hughes river is placed at \$500,000.

DESPERATE HALF-BREDS.

Preparing for Another Rebellion Against the Dominion Government.

There is no doubt that the half breeds on the banks of the Saskatchewan are getting desperate, and are preparing for another armed rebellion against the Dominion Government.

The Parachute Fatted.

At Coney Island, ten miles up the river from Cincinnati, Samuel Young in a balloon ascended to 10,000 feet in a hot-air balloon and let go to make a descent in his parachute.

At the Revolver's Muzzle.

A cowboy walked into the bank of La Junta, Kan., and covered Rufus Phillips, the cashier, with a revolver ordered him to drop all the funds of the bank into a bag placed on the counter.

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CONDITION OF THE CROPS.

Estimate of Yield of Winter Wheat—Prospect for Corn and Oats.

The following crop summary appears in this week's edition of the Farmer's Review: "The weather during last week continued favorable for the growing crops, as also for the winter wheat and hay harvest, both of which are now being vigorously pushed.

AN EASTERN CYCLONE.

Many Vessels Wrecked Along the Atlantic Coast.

A disastrous thunder storm swept over Eastern New England Wednesday night. From 37 miles beyond Waltham to within a short distance of Cambridge, following the course of the Charles river, the cyclone cut a swath 100 yards wide, playing havoc along its path.

TRADE OF THE WEEK.

Business Dull, But Good Crops Cause a More Hopeful Feeling.

R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of trade, say: Quiet hopefulness prevails. Business now is dull. That it is going to be good, more favorable crop prospects lead people to hope.

TO AVOID FORFEITURE.

Scully, the Alien Landlord, to Sell His Illinois Holdings.

It is learned that Landlord Scully is about to sell his Illinois holdings. He owns 4,000 acres in Sangamon, 15,000 in Logan and 10,000 acres in McLean and other counties, in which he has for several years past carried on the Irish rack-renting system.

MARIETTA CENTENNIAL.

Anniversary of the Inauguration of Civil Government for the Northwest.

The Centennial celebration opened auspiciously favored with delightful weather. Great numbers are in attendance. At the opening in Centennial Hall, Gov. J. B. Foraker presided. The address was by Rt. Rev. Bishop Gilmour of Cleveland.

MEXICAN FLOOD SUFFERERS.

Terrible Experiences of the Victims of the Leon Deluge.

Late advices from Leon, Mexico, the principal scene of the great flood, say: "Masses of people are packed in portals, stables and ever available place of shelter, averaging one person to less than a square yard of space, with piles of flag matting laid on the ground for beds and a few miserable rags for cover."

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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

GLEANED FROM ALL SOURCES.

The Main Facts Related Without Unnecessary Words. A mob of 30 men attacked the crew of a freight train of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad in the St. Paul yard.

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