

NORTHERN TRIBUNE.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1882.

The trains have been more or less delayed this week by the drifting snow.

Judging from present indications we would predict that there would be several days of sleighing before the winter is over.

We notice that notwithstanding the storms of the past week or ten days, there is considerable building going on. Cheboygan is bound to grow.

Capt. Bouchard reports a rough trip with the Van Raaite on her last trip of the season and says that Saturday she ran through fifty or sixty miles of ice on his way down.

G. S. Wixson will open his new photograph parlors in a few days where he will do as good work as can be done in the large cities. Rooms over Post & Van Arsdale's old hardware store.

As Christmas is approaching the little ones, and some of the larger ones, can be seen gazing with wistful eyes at the display of holiday goods in the numerous windows, many of which are quite attractively arranged.

The Van Raaite has gone into winter quarters at S. Baker & Son's dock, after a very successful season's business. Capt. Bouchard did intend making one more trip, but concluded there was a little too much weather.

There seems to be but little doubt about the reduction of postage on letters to two cents, and it is claimed that Postmaster-General Howe has taken the preliminary steps towards the extensive manufacturing of the two cent stamps.

The tug Kremer, one of the Coates fishing tugs, came over from Mackinac Thursday afternoon for the purpose of laying up. She had quite a time breaking a channel through the ice in front of S. Baker & Son's dock, so as to get above.

The schooner Unadilla, which left the straits Tuesday of last week, after laying at anchor two days off of this port, got frozen in on Lake Erie and was released with great difficulty and towed back to Amherstburg, Ont. last Tuesday. She was surrounded with eight inches of solid ice.

A Mr. Miles, from Ohio, has purchased a lot of pine timber in the vicinity of Wolverine station, and is going to move a saw mill he has been running in Ohio, to that village for the purpose of manufacturing his timber into lumber and doing such other sawing as he may be able to secure.

The next of the series of entertainments under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. lodge, of this village, will be given at the town hall on the evenings of January 9th and 10th, by G. Paul Smith, the character artist, and one of the best of the profession, and our citizens may anticipate two evenings of genuine enjoyment.

The weather Thursday and Friday of last week, was several degrees colder at Detroit than in Cheboygan. Below Detroit, at the Canada Southern railroad crossing the ice formed so quickly as to interfere with the heavy transfer steamers and for twenty-eight hours one of them was fast in midstream with twenty two cars of live stock on board.

The pay roll of the men employed by Carlin, Stickney, & Cram, in their work of dredging and other public improvements from May 1st to December 1st averaged \$630.20 per day. They have kept seven dredges, with the necessary number of tugs and crews to attend them steady at work the entire season, the two dredges here being the last to lay up.

The wrecking tug Leviathan arrived at Milwaukee last Monday morning. Capt. Kirtland stopped at the Manitous to take a look at the schooner Montauk and reports that she has gone to pieces, so that not a vestige of the hull remains above water, while the cargo of coal is being thrown upon the beach by the waves. This coal will prove a harvest to the fisherman, unless the underwriters take measures to prevent them from appropriating it.

The St. Paul, which left here Tuesday morning of last week only succeeded in getting as far as Detroit, reaching there last Saturday at noon. They stopped at Alpena and took on 180,000 feet of lumber and several hundred thousand feet of shingles and lath, expecting to get through to Huron, Ohio, to winter. They had a hard time getting through the ice on Lake St. Clair, and only for the tug Winslow coming along and breaking up the ice, so they could follow. Capt. Conlon says it is doubtful if they would have got through. Mr. Wickham disposed of her cargo in Detroit, and she will winter there. Capt. Conlon says it is pretty well settled that she will run between Ogdensburg and Chicago, next season.

The drifted roads make it rather difficult for farmers to draw in their wood. What has become of that fire limit ordinance talked of in council early in the season.

Tax-paying time having arrived, taxpayers are looking around for the wherewith to pay.

The gentle zephyrs have been wafted from frigid quarters this week, blowing a gale the most of the time.

The "wee" ones of the households are anxiously awaiting Santa Claus' arrival with their Christmas presents.

We hear of several parties expected here soon, to purchase lands in this vicinity for farms, intending to move upon them in the spring.

One of leading lumber manufacturers predicts that there will be more lumber shipped from Cheboygan next season than ever before in one season.

C. A. Gallagher has his skating park enclosed, waiting rooms up, and is only waiting for suitable weather for flooding the park, when the sport will begin.

Lumbermen in this region cannot complain of a lack of snow for their operations. The trouble is their is most too much of the beautiful to suit them.

The Gifford Brothers are going quite extensively into getting out shingle bolts this winter and intend having them manufactured into shingles next season.

A full supply of blank tax receipts of the most approved form for sale at the TRIBUNE office. Just what the township treasurers want and they should call and see them.

Persons who have visited different portions of our country recently, say that it is surprising to see the amount of land that has been chopped and logged within the past year.

The total receipts for tolls on the New York canals for the season of 1882 up to Dec. 1 were \$655,195; for the season of 1881, \$631,621. Last year there were 211 days of navigation, this year 241.

The Van Raaite made sixty-nine trips this year and if it had not been for the through runs she made to Escanaba during the season, Capt. Bouchard says she would have made seventy-five trips, easy enough.

There are fears that the ice on the bay will cut off the supply of water at the water works. Thursday, measurement showed that there was only about eight inches of water under the ice, and it continues to freeze.

It is stated that a Democratic member of congress elected at the recent election in Wisconsin put in his appearance at Washington the first Monday in this month, supposing that he was going to take part in the present session, and was greatly disappointed when he found out his mistake. An intelligent representative, he will make.

The most of our citizens still try to navigate the sidewalks and make believe they live in a community where sidewalks are patronized, but it will not be long before they will have to take the middle of the street, as of yore at this season of the year. Some portions of the sidewalks, even on Main street, are drifted full of snow three feet deep.

They have not yet got to work on the new hole for the water works well. Last week they ordered steel from Detroit for a new shoe, the old shoe being on the bottom of the tubing left in the bottom of the former hole, but up to last night the steel had not arrived. They have the tubing at the machine shop and are having new threads cut on it. It is hoped that they will be able to commence drilling again next week.

A postoffice is to be established at the Black Lake settlement, in the township of Albia, Presque Isle county. It is to be called Shaw, and Thos. E. Shaw has been appointed postmaster. It will probably go into operation Jan. 1st by which time it is thought arrangements will be made for carrying the mail to and from that point. There is getting to be quite a settlement in that section, and heretofore the most of their mail has been addressed to Cheboygan.

Many of the Democratic papers are publishing the statement that the Auditor General stated before election that no list of lands held by the state for delinquent taxes would be published this year. In view of the fact that the law makes it imperative upon him to publish the list, saying that he shall do so, we do not believe that he ever made any such declaration. The law only required that a list of the lands and the years in which the taxes were not paid and for which they were held by the state, should be published, and this has been done.

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