**Diamond Drill** 

Out of the Past

March 14, 1896

The Crystal Falls Fire Department held its annual meeting and reported only eight calls during 1895 with total damages of less than \$50.

The latest ruling of the United States Postmaster General states that henceforth all post offices having a double name shall be written as one word. Under the ruling Crystal Falls will become Crystalfalls. The ruling is one thing but getting an intelligent public to adopt fool ideas is another and people will continue to write it Crystal Falls.

Two months have come and gone and there has been but one application for a marriage license made to the Iron County Clerk's office. Girls, you are letting a golden opportunity slip by and hopefully Crystal Falls maidens can hustle and bring the boys to the trough.

Crystal Falls and the surrounding area have been undergoing an epidemic of measles. The disease was brought from Iron Mountain about two weeks ago and with the addition of numerous cases of pneumonia has resulted in the closing of local schools. It is anticipated that the schools will not reopen until April. People are also encouraged to limit their exposure by avoiding public events and gatherings.