Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

October 15, 1898

The Iron County Board of Supervisors met for their annual meeting of Monday morning. The report submitted by the Poor Commissioner showed that the County has spent $2,300 for poor purposes. The School Commissioner reported that there were 26 schools under his supervision and stated that the cost of instruction per capita in Iron County is $9.98 while the total costs of maintain schools is $20.00. The Sheriff stated that he has inspected all the jails which included Amasa, Iron River, Crystal Falls and Stambaugh which has not been used for several years. The Mine Inspector reported six operating mines and found them all managed with a view to the safety of employees .The Treasurer and Clerk reports were also reviewed. The Supervisors also fixed the yearly salaries for County Officers as follows: Sheriff ($1,200), Clerk ($800), Treasurer ($1,500), Circuit Judge ($600), School Commissioner ($400), Janitor ($540) and Prosecuting Attorney ($1,000).

James McCourt went out on his bicycle “hunting” and brought back some birds. A great many people think he rode over them with his wheels and killed them by accident.