

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

September 21, 1895

After 70 days of work the log drive on the Menominee River and tributaries has finished. In the last three days, due to the higher water level, the rear of the drive covered 18 miles to its termination. An estimated 35 million board feet of timber was in this year's drive.

John McLeod is exhibiting at a local business three potatoes that he has grown with an aggregate weight of 7 pound 3 ounces. Their skins are thin and clear as that of the 'belles' that love potatoes.

It is hard to think of any substitutes for tobacco in the smoker's pipe bowl. Various "fillings" have been tried around the world including bark of the willow tree, rose leaves, lavender, tea, beet roots, wood dust, hemp and opium.

Wright Brothers have secured a contract to furnish the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad with 500 thousand railroad ties. The order means active employment for five to six hundred men during the winter months for small jobbers and homesteaders to clear their lands at a profit.