

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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Michigan State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jason E. Hammond was in Iron County last winter. While here he visited ten schools in the County in the company of Iron County School Commissioner Thomas Conlin. Hammond's annual report was just issued regarding the condition in which he found Iron County Schools. He stated that he saw the best equipped and best taught country schools it was his privilege to visit. The school houses are well built, cozy and comfortable; large enough to accommodate all the pupils and furnished with desks of suitable size for pupils of all ages. Charts, map globes, good blackboards, stoves and all similar pieces of furniture are available that is useful to a teacher in a country school. The school grounds along with the interiors and exteriors of the buildings were models of neatness, a monument to the devotion of the plain country folks to the cause of education.