Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

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One of the popular sports just now is skating on Fortune Lake. The ice is reported to be four inches thick and many skaters motor out there early in the evening and skate until ten o'clock or after before returning.

August Peterson and Charles Davis, section workmen for the St. Paul Railroad, had a narrow escape from serious injury or death when they were struck by the evening passenger locomotive while riding their velocipede between Amasa and Channing. The men had called up the Channing Station from the Amasa Station and were assured that the coast was clear. The pair had just gotten their human powered vehicle up to speed after departing from a siding on the north end of the Amasa yards onto the main line when the locomotive came tearing around a curve and before they could clear the track were bumped unceremoniously off the rails luckily sustaining only minor injuries.