

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

April 18, 1924

The Drake brothers of Mansfield demonstrate that there is profit in club work. Joseph participated in the State Potato Club show taking home the 1923 Silver Cup from the Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange for his entry. His certified russet rural potatoes planted on a one-half acre plot yielded a total of 151 bushels of which he sold 94 bushels for certified seed for \$1.25 per bushel and saved fifteen bushels for seed for 1924. Both brothers joined the 4-H potato club four years ago when Joseph was nine and Francis was ten years old. Francis took home honors for his potatoes at the Iron County Fair but did not enter the State contest. In addition the brothers have won numerous ribbons for exhibiting their animals at the Fair.

Sheriff Waite found his number of prisoners less by four last Monday when he went to check up for breakfast. Investigation showed that four men had taken an unapproved leave from the jail by getting down into the basement and breaking open a trap door that led to the coal chute.

Cup Won by Joseph Drake As Award  
For Being State Potato Club  
Champion 1923



Left-Joseph Drake

Right-Francis Drake