

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

February 29, 1896

Newsy notes from the busy little town of Amasa. The sharp crack of a revolver in Brunelle's Saloon brought most of the inhabitants of the Village to the location where they saw Andrew Furate dancing around on one leg. Matt Mattson was standing nearby with a smoking revolver in his hand waiting for Furate to stand still long enough for him to get another shot. Deputy Sheriff Iver Olson disarmed the assailant and put him in lock-up. Next morning Furate refused to prosecute and the prisoner was given his liberty. Saturday night a crowd of miners got into a general "disagreement" in one of the saloons and during melee one of the participants was badly cut on the upper lip and also on the top of the head. The injured man refused to make a complaint so no arrests were made.

A young man who was working at Amasa "yumped his job" to go to work on the Gogebic Range. His reason given was his new position pays \$1.75 per day as compared to \$1.65 per in Amasa. Calculating all his expenses associated with the move, railroad fare, lost wages etc. he will have to work 322 days before breaking even.