

Manitou County South Manitou

Herald Correspondence

Considerable damage is being done here by grasshoppers. Hot weather and little or no rain. Crops are suffering in consequence. Sunday school is progressing finely and is still growing in attendance. Haying is nearly finished, and farmers are preparing for the fast approaching grain harvest.

W.W. Gordon is busily engaged in his gravel business. He has shipped two cargoes, and has a third ready.

The summer term of the school will close here the 31st. The teacher contemplates going home to have some fun.

The Rev. Captain Bundy's missionary yacht, Glad Tidings, arrived here Sunday morning, July 26, having on board the captain and family on their regular annual circuit around the lake. The captain delivered a sermon on the island in the evening. He has now gone to Petoskey to attend the camp meetings.

The steamer Comanche, of Chicago, grounded on North Manitou about the 18th of July. She was coal laden, but fortunately they were favored with weather. She was hauled off by the tug C. Williams of Manistee. She sustained some injury from striking upon rocks.

We have had a great deal of foggy weather thus far this season. According to the record kept by Mr. Knudsen, the light keeper, we had during the month of May, 66 1/2 hours, in June, 83 hours, July, 30 hours of fog, due to the late departure of the ice last spring.

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Capt. W. W. Gordon has shipped several loads of gravel thus far this season, to Chicago.

Wm. N. Burton has repaired his dock this summer.

Harvesting is finished here now, and farmers preparing to thresh.

Wm. H. Foster spent a few pleasant days with his old friends and early school-mates a short time ago. He says he starts soon for Ypsilanti. May success crown his efforts.

On Monday, Sept. 7th opened the first annual school meeting held in the newly organized district, in the township of South Manitou, electing James Armstrong, director, Wm. H. Kitchen, Assessor, Mr. August Beck, Moderator.

The most severe storm of the season occurred last week from the north-east, throwing the heaviest sea into the Manitou harbor than has been known for a good many years. The large schooner Advance laden with bark, had just left the harbor, and was encountered by the gale, and became water logged, and capsized off of Cheboygan. All on board save one sailor was lost. Other disasters have been reported.

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