

Fire! At 5 o'clock yesterday morning during a heavy electrical and rain storm lightning struck J. A. Van Dusen's barn burning it to the ground together with the contents, excepting the hois s which were saved. Total loss \$550, insured for \$700. Before anything could be done the barn was doomed. Attention was then turned to Harry Baker's barn just across the alley, and by some awful hard work in a heavy rain, the fire and wind was outgeneraled and Mr. Baker's barn saved. The wind again shifted putting C. G. Merriell's barn in a dangerous position. Fortunately no further damage was done—but Merriell has plenty of roasted garden sass—with no insurance. What do you think, does Hope need fire protection?
