

Wednesday noon the barn on the farm of Mrs. John Swalk was burned to the ground and all its contents lost. Seven fine horses, several harnesses and a wagon were burned. The cause of the fire is a mystery and it was not known that the barn was on fire until it was all ablaze. Several parties from here went out to give assistance, but arrived too late. This comes rather hard on the owner, having previously lost this year's crop by hail. The barn and contents were insured.