

## DESTROYED BY FIRE

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Ford met with a serious loss yesterday afternoon at about 4 o'clock, by losing their house which took fire in some way unknown to them and burned to the ground. Everything in the house, including furniture, bedding, clothing and everything else was completely destroyed, even Mr. Ford's fur coat and other wraps belonging to them. Mr. Ford was out after a load of hay, Mrs. Ford was in town, Mr. Ford's brother was busy with the chores at the barn while his wife was at the home of Emil Johnson several rods distant from the home, and the fire broke out suddenly with no one at home and before anything could be done to save the house it was a mass of flames. This is a hard stroke to Mr. and Mrs. Ford, especially at this time of year, and we all sympathize with them in their loss.

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