

Fire At Clifford.

THE ENTIRE SOUTH SIDE OF MAIN STREET SWEEPED FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH. NOTHING BUT THE BRICK BANK BUILDING AND HOTEL LEFT STANDING.

The village of Clifford was visited by a destructive fire, last Saturday night, sweeping the entire south side of Main street. The fire started in the meat market, where burglars were at work trying to open the safe, and in their operations set fire to the building. The burglars made good their escape. The Kraabel store lost their building and a part of their stock. Some three or four thousand dollars worth of goods were saved. They carried about a twelve to fifteen thousand dollar stock. Insurance \$6,000. Kraabel & Co's. general store, meat market, another general store and in fact the entire south side of the street with the exception of the bank and the hotel went up in smoke. We hope to see the business men show North Dakota grit and rise "Phoenix like" and before Jan. 1st be doing business in new quarters. Clifford is a good business point and we have no doubt but what the misfortunates will rebuild immediately.

Hope needs to take warning—we are not fire-proof and our turn will come sooner or later.
