

The alarm of fire was sounded about 10 p. m. Tuesday evening and the fire department and citizens turned out in a hurry. The fire was at C. T. Whidden's store and a very serious conflagration was averted by the prompt and cool-headed action of Magnus Greenland. Magnus was putting out one of these large Rochester lamps when the hook to which the lamp was appended gave way from the ceiling and the lamp fell to the floor and exploded, the oil and flames shooting to the ceiling quick as a flash. Magnus had the presence of mind to grab one of those small Babcock fire extinguishers and promptly put out the fire. Some ready made clothing was damaged. It is a mystery how Magnus got away without being severely burned by the flying oil. It was a ~~lucky ending~~ ending to what might have been a big fire. It is very evident that the small fire extinguishers can put out quite a flame if handled promptly.