

by ladies and gentlemen.

Saturday morning a fire was discovered in a hay stack belonging to William Smith situated near his barn. Every effort was made to extinguish it, but the wind was very high and the barn soon took fire. They succeeded in getting the stock and machinery out, but the barn, some 800 bushels of wheat and oats and twenty tons of hay were consumed. No insurance. It is supposed to have caught from a spark from his dwelling. Mr. Smith is a new beginner in Dakota. He came here a year ago. Last season he lost his first crop by the frost, and a few days ago a valuable brood mare that he held at \$500 died and now his barn, grain and hay is gone. O. DE D.
