

Marquette County Historical Society.



Date Mar. 8, 1921

Biographical Record of Addison A. Cole

Will you kindly answer the following questions, in order that for future reference, there may be a permanent record of yourself to file among the papers of the Marquette County Historical Society. Additional facts which you desire to add, may be written on the back of this sheet. Return this to L. A. Chase, Secretary of the Marquette County Historical Society, Marquette, Michigan.

What is your full name? Addison A. Cole

When were you born? Oct. 31, 1843

Where were you born? Wales Center, N. Y.

What was your father's name? Isaac Cole

What was your mother's name? Betsey Hall

Is either of your parents still living? No Where? _____

When were you married? Oct. 17, 1865 Where? Wales Center N. Y.

To whom were you married? Hattie F. Munton

Is your wife or husband still living? Second wife Sarah Munton

When did you come to Marquette County? July 8, 1865

From what place did you come here? from the Army

By what means and what route did you get here? Indianapolis to Green Bay by rail, Green Bay to Escanaba by boat, Escanaba to Marquette by rail

In what work have you engaged, since coming here? M. H. & O. R. R. Insurance agent

(State name of employer or company for whom you have worked) Mutual Life, North-

Western Life, and New York Life Insurance Companies

Where are you now living? (Give Post Office address) Marquette, Mich.

The following information is desired:

Your Children: One

NAME

Present age or age
at death.

Residence.

James Birney Cole 54 Chicago

From what country did you or your ancestors come to the United States? English and

Irish descent Eight generations in this country

Any facts or anecdotes relative to the history of Marquette County, Michigan, may be added here or on the reverse side of the sheet.

In 1865 there were no side walks, paved streets or public works. The railroad went as far as Champion to the mine there. The Indians were still camped on Light House point.

Iron money was in circulation but later by an act of the U. S. Government it was put out of use. a two per cent. discount was charged for exchanging Iron money for green backs.

William A. Burt, the inventor of the solar

compass, was the uncle to Addison a son ^{by marriage}

at the time of the big fire all the docks were burned with the exception of the Cleveland dock.

The companies shipping ore were the Jackson Iron Co., Marquette, Iron Co., New York Iron Co., Lake Superior, Lake Angeline, Republic Washington Champion and Michigan Iron Companies. They used platform cars surrounded by boards two feet high. Two trap doors allowed the ore to pass thru the bottom. These cars held from six to eight tons. The sailing vessels which carried the ore had capacities of from 150 to 500 tons.