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BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

Great damage is reported in a few local places from the recent heavy rain, but it is surprising how soon after one of these events things begin to straighten up and how little they seem to remember at harvest time.

NINE candidates are already named on the republican side for speaker of the next house, viz: Donald W. Mitchell, of Detroit; Ohio, Kascon of Iowa, H. B. Stokess of New York, Robinson of New Jersey, Burrows and Hubbel of Michigan, Reed of Maine and Ort of Indiana.

The demands of working-men in New York this season have for a half century on Saturday, often than in any increase of wages. Employers have generally consented to the demand, and are fully satisfied with the amount of work done, and believe it is even greater than in any season accomplished by working a week.

THIRTY Thousand bushels of wheat shipped from St. Paul on barges to New Orleans arrived in excellent condition and was immediately transferred to a steamer bound for Glasgow, Scotland. The result of this experiment during a recent intense heat, is regarded as highly favorable to down river shipments at all seasons of the year.

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