

FIRE DEVASTATES ELLISBURG
Wind Causes Fire to Spread Through the Village

WATERTOWN, Oct. 18.—A conflagration, accompanied by a forty-mile gale, swept a part of the village of Ellisburg, twenty miles from this city, between 7 and 10 o'clock last evening, destroying the Methodist church and parsonage, the Universalist church, three or four dwellings and several barns, as well as the apple evaporator in which the fire started.

The village is three miles from Pierrepont Manor and on the line of the railroad. A bucket brigade furnished the only available means with which to fight the flames. Help was summoned from this city. Chief Morrison sent an engine and sufficient men from No. 2 house by a special train. Telephone messages were hurriedly sent to Pulaski, Lacona, Sandy Creek and Mannsville, asking for assistance, but these places were without steam fire engines and could render no aid.

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