## Research guide: *Niles Inquirer*, April 1, 1858-December 26, 1858.

On January 15, 1855 the first issue of the *Niles Inquirer* newspaper was issued at Niles, Berrien County, Michigan. Because Niles lies in the southeastern corner of Berrien County near the Cass County line, many Cass County residents subscribed to Niles papers. Niles newspaper editors covered Cass County news, especially in the western portion of the county. Thus, Niles newspapers are important to Cass County historians.

Most issues of the *Inquirer* from Jan 1855-March 1858 are lost with exception of one issue on microfilm, located in the Niles District Library from September 1856, reporting on the Republican Mass Rally at Kalamazoo of August 27 at which a relatively unknown Abraham Lincoln spoke. In 1866 the *Inquirer* merged with the *Berrien County Freeman* to create the *Niles Times*.

The Local History Branch of the Cass District Library has the following issues of the *Niles Inquirer* on microfilm.

NOTE: The spelling-title of the newspaper was from January 15, 1855 to December 30, 1858, "*Niles Enquirer*". Beginning with the issue of January 6, 1859 the title-spelling of the paper was changed to "*Niles Inquirer*".

**1858:** Apr 1 (Last issue with Monroe G. Carlton as editor); Apr 8 (First issue with George M. Dewey as editor); Apr 15; Apr 22; Apr 29; May 6; May 13; May 20; May 27; [MISSING June 3]; June 10; June 17; June 24; July 1; July 8; July 15; July 22; July 29; Aug 5; Aug 12; Aug 19; Aug 26; Sep 2; Sep 9; Sep 16; Sep 23; Sep 30; Oct 7; Oct 14; Oct 21; Oct 28; Nov 4; Nov 11; Nov 18; [MISSING Nov 25]; Dec 2; Dec 9; Dec 16; Dec 23; Dec 30.

**1859:** Jan 6; Jan 13; Jan 20; Jan 27; Feb 3; Feb 10; Feb 17; Feb 24; Mar 3; Mar 10; Mar 17; Mar 24; Mar 31; Apr 7; Apr 14; Apr 21; Apr 28; May 5; May 12; May 19; May 26; Jun 2; Jun 9; Jun 16; Jun 23; Jun 30; Jul 7; Jul 14; Jul 21; Jul 28; Aug 4; Aug 11; Aug 18; Aug 25; Sep 1; Sep 8; Sep 15; Sep 22; Sep 29; Oct 6; Oct 13; Oct 20; Oct 27; Nov 3; Nov 10; Nov 17; Nov 24; Dec 1; Dec 8; Dec 15; Dec 22; Dec 29.

**1860:** Jan 4; Jan 11; Jan 18; Jan 25; Feb 1; Feb 8; Feb 15; Feb 22; Feb 29; Mar 7; Mar 14; Mar 21; Mar 28; Apr 4; Apr 11; Apr 18; [MISSING Apr 25]; May 2; May 9; May 16; May 23; May 30; Jun 6; Jun 13; Jun 20; Jun 27; Jul 4; Jul 11; Jul 18; Jul 25; Aug 1; Aug 8; Aug 15; Aug 22; Aug 29; Sep 5; Sep 12; Sep 19; Sep 26; Oct 3; Oct 10; Oct 17; Oct 24; Oct 31; Nov 7; Nov 14; Nov 21; Nov 28; Dec 5; Dec 12; Dec 19; Dec 26.

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