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**September 18, 1883**

**LOCAL ITEMS**

The Emmet County Fair will be held at Harbor Springs on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, on the same grounds as last year. Several more sheds are to be erected at once, and the enclosure will be enlarged. Premium lists will be issued in about ten days and we are assured by the secretary that all premiums will be paid, either in full or at an even proportion. We would like to see the people make an effort to have the fair a success, and if the officers would show a little more activity and enterprise it would help matters along.

**The County Democrat**  
**Friday, October 12, 1883**

The display of good things at the second annual Fair at Harbor Springs now in progress, is not as great as it was last year owing no doubt to the early frosts throughout the county. Mr. Geo. Ballou has some fine specimens of vegetables raised by himself which are good for this year, but do not come near up to the standard of what he usually raises. Taking all in all the fair is a good showing and will go far towards giving the outside world an idea what can be done in this northern country in the farming line. We noticed some fine cattle and hogs, and some beautiful apples from the orchard of A. Lettes near Bear Lake.

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**The County Democrat**  
**Friday, September 21, 1883**

**LOCAL LUNCHEON**

The Emmet County Fair will be at Harbor Springs on October 10, 11 and 12. The Independent says that the premiums will be paid in full or at an even proportion. We hope the citizens of this county will do their utmost to make this a successful meeting of that society. We were unable to attend last year but it was well spoken of and we hope the interest will not abate this year, as these exhibitions are of incalculable benefit to our citizens and county.

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The best running of the fair was a race that was not down on the programs. It occurred at 6-31 p.m. Thursday, and was between the last train for Petoskey and the proprietor of the popular Cushman House. The hotel man was distanced.