### Minnesota Digital Library
#### Minnesota Reflections Usability Scenarios

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<td>A friend has asked you to help him put together a history of automobiles in Minnesota. You decide to start with the Minnesota Digital Library as a source.</td>
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**Task:** How many different images of automobiles can you find? Use as many different keywords as you can think of to try to find them all.

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<td>You’re assigned to do a report on Indian Boarding Schools in Minnesota and want to include some primary source images.</td>
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**Task:** Using the Minnesota Digital Library how many related images can you find for use in your paper?

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<td>You’re working on your family genealogy and trying to find out more about your great uncle Alfred Wilson who you know spent part of his life in Donnelly, MN. You decide to use the Minnesota Digital Library to try find out more about your uncle’s life. What, if anything can you find out about him?</td>
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<td>A friend tells you that the Minnesota Digital Library has a tool which will let you save a set of selected images so you can come back to them later. You decide to find 25 images related to snow in the Minnesota Digital Library and save them as a set.</td>
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<td>You love taking contemporary pictures of places portrayed in old photographs, particularly the Twin Cities. What would be the quickest way for you to pull together images in the Minnesota Digital Library of the Twin Cities area?</td>
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<td>You’re interested in famous disasters in Duluth and a friend told you of a photo in the Minnesota Digital Library of the collapse of the Board of Trade building.</td>
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After finding the photo and reading the text that is provided with the image, you decide you want to learn more.

**Task:** Determine who you would call or write to find out what more is known about this photo and locate their contact information.

**Scenario 7:**

You remember finding an interesting mechanical drawing of a design for a safety bell for a mining car the last time you were browsing the Minnesota Digital Library. Now, you decide to use the Advanced Search tool within the library to try to quickly relocate the drawing to show it to a relative who used to work in the mines.

**Task:** Use the Advanced Search tool to find the drawing for which you are looking.

**Scenario 8:**

Your parents who grew up and were married in New Ulm, MN are celebrating an important anniversary and you’re putting together a short presentation in which you want to use historic pictures of their hometown. You hear about the Minnesota Digital Library and decide to use the site to find the pictures. How many pictures can you find?

**Scenario 9:**

You’ve just impressed friends by showing them the wide range of historical materials available within the Minnesota Digital Library. Your friends want to know how to find out who provided images or documents to the Library.

**Task:** Determine where you can find what organizations have provided materials to the Library.

**Scenario 10:**

A friend is writing a paper on Native Americans in Minnesota and you volunteer to help. What is the earliest photo of a Native American you can find in the Minnesota Digital Library? What is the best way to find it?