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Blizzard Prevailing In West And Northwest.

In Texas the Loss to Cattlemen Will Reach Several Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 12.—Reports tonight from Missouri, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, the Dakotas, northern Texas, Indian Territory, Arkansas, and Oklahoma says that unusually cold weather prevails. In Omaha the thermometer registered 16 degrees below zero at 9 o'clock to night. High winds prevail in many localities, drifting the snow badly and delaying railroad traffic in all directions. From Oklahoma and Indian Territory word comes that the temperature today was five below zero in several places and ranged zero all day. From all parts of the territories come accounts of suffering and death as the result of the sudden norther which began yesterday. The territory is covered with a coat of snow and ice ranging in depth from three to eight inches and this will serve as a protection to the wheat and fruit crops, but the live stock and in some instances the people of the territories are suffering severely.

Cattlemen say that range stock will suffer the greatest loss in years. Great anxiety is felt for the Indian tribes, who are in no condition to withstand the storm. In northern Texas the worst blizzard in ten years, with the thermometer at zero and below, prevails. Coming so soon after the recent blizzards when snow lay on the ground 10 days, this severe weather will inflict hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses on cattlemen.

In Fergus Falls, Minn., the United States government thermometer registered 38 below zero today.

Ice Gorges on Ohio Cause Great Damage.

Steamers Torn From Mooring and Sent Down River.—One Hundred and Fifty Barges Will Probably be Lost.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 12.—Half a million dollars' worth of river property was placed in jeopardy, one steamer sunk, another carried down the river 150 barges torn loose and sent down river, and several other steamers seriously damaged today from the break up of the ice gorges at this point in the Ohio. The gorge at North Bend broke first, followed by the gorge at the Covington water works. The first accident was to the towboat Relief which was sunk at the foot of Lawrence street. Capt. Williams and two men on the steamer narrowly escaped drowning. The steamer New South, one of the best boats on the river, was torn from her mooring and carried down the river in the ice. She is somewhere below lodged in the ice pack and it is feared she will be a total loss.

The rise of 10 feet in the river, which occurred during the day, probably caused by the regorging of the ice at some point farther down stream, forced the steamer Bonanza out of the water onto the shore near the foot of Main street, where she is in serious danger in

case of any sudden movement of the ice.

At last 150 barges, 30 of them loaded with coal, were caught in ice and have gone down the river, probably all of them being a total loss.

Happenings in the State.

As Chronicled by the Alert Correspondents of The Columbia State.

KILLED A DESPERATE NEGRO.

Charleston, Feb. 11.—Special Police Officer J W Bean killed a negro named Andrew Green in self defense at Hampton park yesterday morning. The officer did not shoot until the negro had shot him and then he pulled his weapon and shot his assailant, who died a short time afterwards.

LOST HIS ARM.

Spartanburg, Feb. 11.—J S Rice, an operative of the Lockhart mills, while at work in the picker room of that mill yesterday morning, had his left arm caught in the machinery. The limb was so badly lacerated that amputation was necessary. He stood the operation very well.

A BRIDGE BUILDER KILLED.

Pat Cummings, a white workman on the new steel bridge being erected for the Southern railway over the Catawba river, was found yesterday afternoon near Fort Mill lying beside the track with his skull horribly crushed. He was in an unconscious condition and died five minutes after being found.

It is not known how Cummings received the injuries which caused his death.—The State, 12th inst.

A NEGRO KILLED.

Darlington, Feb. 12.—Sam Jones, colored, an employee of Patton's tobacco stemmery here, was caught in machinery at the stemmery yesterday afternoon and both legs were fearfully mangled, causing his death, which occurred Friday night. A coroner's inquest was held Saturday morning and verdict was in accordance with the above facts.

SLIPPED FROM BRIDGE INTO CREEK

Spartanburg, Feb. 12.—Mrs J D Brown and two children came very near meeting with a fatal accident yesterday afternoon as the three were traveling in a buggy across the bridge over Fair Forest creek near Arkwright mills. The horse hitched to the vehicle stumbled in the mud and sleet, lost his footing and fell head foremost, carrying the buggy and its occupants off the bridge into the creek below a distance of 12 or 14 feet. In falling, the baby slipped from Mrs. Brown's arms and was picked up by her at the bottom of the creek. The infant had been snugly bundled and tucked about with waips, and was not hurt. The other child, a 14 year old boy who was driving, managed to escape with a few scratches. Mrs. Brown was the worst injured of three, sustaining a number of bruises. While very painful, her injuries are not regarded as serious. The horse was badly crippled and the buggy smashed up. This bridge over the Forest is a long and flat wooden structure with no side railings or supports, and has steep, slanting approaches on each side. It was while in the act of descending one of the approaches the animal slipped and fell. Mrs. Brown who lives in the city, had started to Walnut Grove to visit her mother, Mrs. T. S. Thomas, who is quite sick with pneumonia.

—Spartanburg is moving for the next state reunion of the Confederate veterans. The committee having charge of the matter of fixing a time and selecting a place has not yet made a report

The School Money.

About \$118,000 to be Distributed by Comptroller.

Columbia Record, 13th inst.

A distribution of the school dispensary money, amounting to \$118,000, will take place in a few days and the comptroller general is now sending out letters to the various county superintendents of education asking for their figures as to the deficiency for each school in their county during the year.

According to an established rule of the office an effort will be made to ascertain the deficiency for any school in any county and if the appropriation by the respective county board are not as much as \$75 for each school the deficiency is made up out of this money.

The amount left over is given to the various counties on the standard of enrollment.

Marion Parr Convicted of Murder

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 11.—The first straight verdict of guilty of murder to be rendered against a white man in Richland county in 35 years was that handed in today by the jury in the case of Marion Parr, the cotton mill operative who had been on trial since yesterday for the murder of the boy Clarence L Shealy, also a cotton mill operative, who was found with his head crushed by a hoe near the bank of the Congaree river. Parr received the verdict with stoic indifference, showing not the slightest emotion. His mother sitting near him bowed her head in her hands with grief and his brother seemed excited, half rising in his seat, but immediately sitting down again. The verdict was rendered after a few minutes deliberation. Though not many doubted his guilt, the verdict coming in the shape that it did and after so short a deliberation created something of a surprise in the court room. Sentence was suspended pending a motion for a new trial.

Russian Attack Repulsed.

Tokio, Feb. 12, 2 p. m.—Japanese Manchurian headquarters telegraphs that a company of Russians attacked Waitasbam village on Friday night and were repulsed. The Russian batteries at the western foot of the Ta mountain shelled Putsaowo on Friday. A company of Russians attacked Liuchientus early Saturday morning and were repulsed. The Russian artillery then shelled Liuchientun and vicinity.

The United States senate has made prohibition of the sale of liquor for a period of twenty-one years a condition precedent to the admission of the Indian Territory into the Union as a state.

Letter to J. P. C. Caskey.

Lancaster, S. C.
Dear Sir: We manage to get some fun out of paint. J. H. Kohlmeier, Grove City, Pa., put in Devoe. Along came a salesman of somebody else's paint before ours had got there. Salesman said ours was short-measure. Kohlmeier weakened, hung fire and flopped; stopped ours and took his.

It was our turn now. We emptied our can into his and his into ours. The short-measure was his, not ours; and we kept our man.

And, ever since then, that paint-manufacturer gives full-measure; his paint is not pure, but his gallon contains four quarts.

Go by the name; and the name to go by is Devoe lead-and-zinc.

Yours truly,
F. W. Devoe & Co.
Lancaster Mercantile Co. sell our paint.

Eyes Open, Everybody!

A great reduction in prices

For The Next Thirty Days

in all Winter weights, so govern yourselves accordingly. Everyone come and take advantage of these slaughtering prices.

THE HEATH-JONES COMPANY.

We will offer to the trade for the next month the following goods at cost, as we want to make a clean clearance of Winter wear in order to make room for Spring goods. So come at once and inspect our stock, even if you don't wish to buy, for it is a pleasure to show our customers what startling values we have in store for them. All Winter weights in Clothing—Suits, Pants and Overcoats, at actual cost. Also Capes, Jackets, Furs and Muffs accordingly. Blankets, Comforts and Lap Robes, the same way. A big assortment of Knit Shirts at your price.

We have 150 pairs of Shoes to offer very cheap and which are of the very best that is manufactured. But, after breaking the boxes in removing from one store to the other, have decided to place them on the Bargain Counter and let them go at a great sacrifice. Our entire line of Shoes will be knifed to the core, as we have entirely too many.

Remember, these Prices are for the SPOT CASH, and no charging will be listened to. Come everybody and bring your purse, and we will give you the cheapest and best merchandise that has EVER been offered YOU.

We have just received a pretty lot of Spring Goods such as Gingham, Nainsooks, Swisses, Piques, and lots of other styles. We have the largest and best selected stock of Ladies' Collars that has ever been shown on this market.

A pretty line of Mohair tailor made Skirts in all the leading shades. Also a large assortment of black mercerized Sateen Petticoats very cheap.

We have the swellest and nobbiest line of Spring Silks in all the up-to-date shades, so come at once and take a look and you will be pleased with prices, pattern, and quality.

Laces and Embroideries! Knowing that ladies have a perfect mania for such, we have bought extensively the best and cheapest that money could buy, and feel assured that we can please the most fastidious.

The most up-to-date line of CRAVATS, in all colors. Ascot's Four-in-hand and string ties. International and United Shirts and Collars, the very best to be had, and also our fifty cent line can't be duplicated.

Several dozen HATS to be turned loose, name : 20 Dozen Soiled Linen Collars, the price and let your cranium be covered. : the very best, 5 cents each.

We have several rolls of CARPET that we will close out at cost. Also a small stock of Furniture that we will sell at cost.

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