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And complete in every department, and if you are going to need anything before Xmas

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Come to see us and we will make you happy.

Respectfully,

Lancaster Mercantile Company

DESTROYED BY A TORNADO.

Fate of an Alabama Village of Three Hundred People

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 22.—The most disastrous cyclone that ever swept over this section visited Moundville, Ala., a town of three hundred inhabitants, fifteen miles south of Tuscaloosa, this morning at 1 o'clock and as a result thirty-seven persons were killed and more than one hundred injured, and every business, with the exception of a small drug store, completely destroyed.

The cyclone struck the village from the southwest, dealing death and destruction as it made its path, a quarter of a mile wide.

Surgeons were rushed to Moundville from Greensboro and Tuscaloosa, and all possible was done to alleviate the sufferings of the injured.

By the force of the storm persons were blown hundreds of feet from their beds in the blackness of the night. Through terror, a father, mother and three children fled from their home to seek refuge, and in their excitement left a five year old boy in bed. This morning he was pulled from beneath some timber and thus far it is impossible to find any other member of the family.

Bedding, carpets and wearing apparel are scattered a distance of ten miles through what was a forest, but which is now as clear as if it had been cut by the woodman's axe.

Freight cars were torn to splinters, the trucks from them being hurled hundreds of feet from the track.

Bales of cotton which were stored in warehouses were torn to atoms, the fragments of lint, together with the debris, lodging in trees, making it appear as if that section had been visited by a snow storm. Heavy iron safes were carried by the storm, the doors of which were torn from their hinges. A young clerk employed by W. P. Phifer, hearing the terrible roaring of the approaching storm, let himself down into a well in the centre of the store. He had no sooner found his place of safety than the store was completely demolished. This morning he was drawn out uninjured.

Saved From Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. B. of Birtton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. Its the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed Bottle 50c and \$1.00. Trial Bottles Free at Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co., and Funderburk Pharmacy, Druggists.

"Just this once" is the sign over the door to the ante-room of destruction.

CASTORIA.
Beware the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*
The Kind You Have Always Bought

If your life is empty it is probably because you have put nothing into it.

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Jaws

Tightly Locked From Nervous Spasms.

Physicians Could Not Prevent Fits.

Dr. Miles' Nervine Cured My Wife.

Dr. Miles' Nervine has been successfully tried in thousands of cases of nervous disorders, but never has it made a better record than when used in the treatment of fits or spasms. Thousands of testimonials prove this, and in nearly every instance the writer has stated that the fits ceased after the first dose of Nervine was given. The statement is repeated in the following:

"Seven years ago my wife commenced having spasms or fits and I called in my home physician and he said she was paralyzed. He rubbed her with salt water and gave her calomel and she eventually got some better, but in a short time she had another attack. She was confined to her bed for three months and the doctor could not help her. She had fits frequently, some times very severe. Her hands would cramp so we could not open them and she finally got so her jaws would become locked. Finally I saw the doctor was doing her no good and ordered a bottle of Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine. She received so much benefit from the first bottle that I got some more. She has taken a number of bottles but has never had a fit since taking the first dose. She also thinks very highly of Dr. Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills and is never without them. If there is any way of making this testimonial stronger do so because of the good the Dr. Miles Restorative Nervine did my wife."—WM. Y. ALLEN, P. M., Elkville, Miss.

All druggists sell and guarantee first bottle Dr. Miles' Remedies. Send for free book on Nervous and Heart Diseases. Address Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Gone for More Mules.

Mr. J. C. Elliott who has returned to Lancaster and engaged again in the stock business, left last night for Atlanta to buy another carload of mules, and on his return Thursday he will be found at the stables of the Heath B. & M. Co. and will be glad to see his numerous friends. He says he was much gratified to meet so many of his friends in the brief period he has been here, and on his return he hopes to see all the balance of them. He will be back with a car load of good ones.

Don't forget the time and the place—Thursday evening, Heath B. & M. Co's. stables.

—Mr. Moody Dees of the Flat Creek section died one day last week, aged about 35.

—Mr. R. Gardner of the Flat Creek section had \$150 in money stolen from him by a thief who broke into his house while he was away from home.

Mrs. J. E. Poore and her little son, who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Payseur, returned to their home in Columbia last Friday.

—Mr. J. C. Elliott will move his family back to Lancaster this week. Their many friends will gladly greet them on their return to Lancaster.

The strong man avoids temptation in order to show his strength. The fool courts it in order to exhibit his weakness.

We shall insist on the Republican party being consistent, for once, this time, and give us "Teddy" and "Booker" on a black-and-tan platform.—Augusta Chronicle.

E. H. Groves

This signature is on every box of the genuine **Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets** the remedy that cures a cold in one day