

CYCLONE IN ORANGEBURG.

SCHOOL HOUSE NEAR NORWAY BLOWN DOWN.

Several Children Hurt, but None Killed—Other Damage of Storm.

About midday last Friday a cyclone that did damage to several points in Orangeburg county, struck the two mile swamp school house near Norway, almost completely demolishing the building, which was substantially constructed of wood. Sixty pupils and two teachers were in the building at the time, and with the exception of one boy with a broken arm and a leg and one with an injured back, there were no casualties of a serious nature.

Physicians from Orangeburg who hastened to the scene of the accident, report that the escape of the occupants of the building from most serious injury, if not death, was simply miraculous and attributed the immunity from injury largely to the substantial character of the furniture used in the building, which protected the occupants from the falling timbers.

No fatal results are expected to follow the injuries reported. Miss Julia Reed is principal of the school.

Friday morning at about 11 o'clock the storm struck the Eastern portion of Orangeburg city, slightly damaging seven dwelling houses in the village of the Orangeburg Manufacturing Company. A heavy rain fell all over the city, but the storm was severe enough only in this part of the city to do any damage. No one was hurt, the occupants being at their work in the mill. Five hundred dollars will probably cover the money value of the damage done by the storm.

Account from Cope.

Cope, Jan. 28.—A tornado struck the Two Mile Swamp section this morning about 11 o'clock blowing down the two story school building and Woodmen Hall. The children were at their studies when the storm struck the building, and a dozen or more were hurt in various ways.

John Henry Garick had his arm mashed to pieces and his back badly hurt; Marion Sanford had his arm broken; and several others suffered the same way, but your correspondent could not learn their names.

The top of W. O. Tatum's stables near Cope were blown off and landed some distance away; but the stock escaped unhurt.

The next place the tornado struck was at Mr. Henry W. Jamison's place over in the Fork, a short distance this side of the schoolhouse. His barn was blown down and other slight damage was done. No one was hurt at Mr. Jamison's.

On its way the tornado struck an open house, where a lady and child was in the passage way with the window open and both of them were blown out, but neither was hurt seriously.

Prohibition Bill Introduced.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Representative Wyatt Aiken this morning took his seat as head teamster of the water wagon by introducing in congress the most hide-bound and drastic prohibition bill applicable to the District of Columbia which has yet come up. Mr. Aiken is a member of the house committee on the District of Columbia and his bill has attracted considerable attention.

So strong is the prohibition sentiment in the country that it is believed that a majority of the members of congress would vote for such a bill should the District committee report it out, although the chances of such a report are usually considered somewhat remote so far as this session of congress is concerned.

Mr. Aiken's bill forbids the sale of liquor by any person, company, copartnership, association, club or corporation in the District except licensed druggists who can sell only a physician's certificate which certificate must be bona fide with a whole lot of restrictions or upon a certificate by an officer of a church who makes application for wine for communion purposes. A number of bills to prohibit the sale have been introduced but this one seems to have attracted the most attention at least so far in this congress.

Prisoner Cleared Court Room.

Washington, Ga., Jan. 26.—Noticing the unusual appearance of the face of Cy Bullard, a negro arraigned before him to-day on a misdemeanor charge, Judge Wm. Wynne, of this county, asked the county physician to examine him. "Smallpox," said the physician immediately. Hardly had the words been spoken when Judge, Court officers, spectators, all made for doors and windows, leaving the negro in complete possession of the Court room. An immune officer later took him to jail, where to-night he is the sole prisoner.

FEARS OF RACE CLASH ABATED.

Havana Hotel Incident Apparently Smoothed Over.

Havana, Jan. 24.—Fears of a race conflict, growing out of the recent disorders resulting from the refusal of the management of the principal American hotel in Havana to entertain negroes, have in a great measure abated, and the possibilities of further trouble from this particular source have practically disappeared. That the difficulty for the present at any rate, was successfully smoothed over is due mainly to the personal efforts of President Gomez.

The President sent his secretary to confer with the management of the hotel and summoned to the palace Gen. Cebreco and other negro leaders, with whom he conferred personally. He pointed out that the intrusion of colored men, where their presence was not desired, was undignified and merely served to rouse the animosity of Americans with whom it was highly desirable that all Cubans should remain on the most friendly terms. He also reminded them how much the prosperity of Havana was dependent on the number of American tourists, whom any danger of social disorders would certainly deter from coming.

The press also appealed to all patriotic colored Cubans not to persist in enforcing their rights at the cost of the rest of the community. The result was that the colored leaders engaged to use all their influence to prevent their followers from further interfering with the hotel.

In spite of this, however, the affair has served to revive agitation, which always comes to the fore at the least suggestion of racial troubles, in favor of organizing a great negro political party with the purpose of controlling the Government. The organ of the Partido Independiente de Color (Independent party of color,) prints the newly constructed platform of the party, which contains these significant provisions:

"The independent party of color shall be organized throughout the whole territory of the Republic, with a national charter, to maintain its equilibrium of all Cuban interests.

"The Republic of equality, sovereign and independent, without race discriminations or social antagonisms, shall be our aim."

To what extent the promoters of the new movement may be successful, remains to be seen, but there can be no manner of doubt that if the organization of the negro race as a political party should ever be effected, it would rule the Republic.

Edison's Predictions.

Thomas A. Edison predicts that within the next twenty years the art of molding concrete will reach a marvelous degree of perfection in architecture. This will not be achieved by great expenditure of money; it will be accomplished by labor-saving appliances which will so cheapen the cost of production that, twenty years hence, the poor will have more beautiful homes than the rich can now aspire to.

Mr. Edison predicts that moving picture machines will be so perfected that the characters will move and speak, and other stage accessories will make the illusion perfect. Such entertainments, he says, can be provided for five cents, and will give the millions of working people a chance to be amused and improved. The result will be a hard blow to the saloon.

Locomotives will pass out of existence, and all railroads be operated by electricity. This prophecy seems very evident of fulfillment. An artist searching for a model of a steam locomotive found out the other day that to see an old-fashioned engine he would have to go to Jersey City, as electricity operates all roads running into New York proper.

The water power of our brooks and rivers will be utilized by electricity to an extent now undreamed of.

A new fertilizer will spring into existence containing nitrogen in large quantities. Electricity will draw this from the air, and will greatly increase the arability of our land. This is done to a large extent to-day in Sweden.

Aerial navigation will be firmly established, and will be on a sound, practical working basis in twenty years.

Our bodies will be fortified against the ravages of disease by the use of serums, so that man will live much longer than now and suffer far much less pain. The present fight against cancer and tuberculosis will be carried to a successful finish, and both these dreadful scourges will be as rare as smallpox.

A new force in nature will be discovered, by which things now dubbed "psychic" will be well understood. Mental phenomena will then seem no more wonderful than physical phenomena do now. We now have but five senses. If we knew more we would have at least eight.

GAME COCKS FIGHT HAWK.

Young Roosters Get Best of Half-Hour Combat.

With the gameness found only in pure breed fowls, two young game roosters of Jacob B. Shive, the toll gate keeper at Violet Hill, fought a large chicken hawk for at least half an hour the other day, and would have been victors had not the approach of a team caused the hawk to fly away.

For the past week chickens have disappeared from the yard of Mr. Shive and he kept his gun with him in the little toll gate box in expectation of shooting the thief who took his chickens. A lover of sport, Mr. Shive saw two of his game chickens fighting the hawk for at least half an hour, and said that when the hawk attacked one of the chickens, the other ran at it with great fury and began to pick and spur it. The fight continued until a passing team caused the hawk to fly away.

At 4.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon Mr. Shive saw the hawk circling over a field a short distance above the ground and shot, bringing the bird to the ground with a wounded wing. When he attempted to kill the hawk, the wounded bird sprang at him and put up a hard fight until killed by a blow from the gun barrel.

When measured the bird was three feet and two inches from tip to tip of wings, and twenty-two inches from the head to the tail. According to an ancient custom in the country, Mr. Shive tacked the hawk to the side of his barn, to be, as he said "a warning to other haws to stay away."—York, Pa., Gazette.

ACCUSED OF INFANTICIDE.

Young Woman Arrested at Columbia Under Serious Charge.

Columbia, Jan. 27.—A coroner's jury having declared that the infant whose body was found in a gutter two days ago came to its death by violent means, Miss Annie Odom, the mother of the child, is in jail, charged with the murder. The jury, after hearing a number of witnesses and having before it the testimony of physicians, rendered a verdict that the child came to its death by being strangled or by having something rammed into its mouth or by other means. The testimony showed that Annie Odom.

The testimony showed the Annie Odom was the mother of the baby, and she was therefore held responsible for its death.

Miss Odom is a woman about twenty-five years of age. She is in jail to-night, and it is hardly probable that she will be admitted to bail. The mangled body of the infant was found by a young man on his way to work day before yesterday. The inquest has occupied two sessions.

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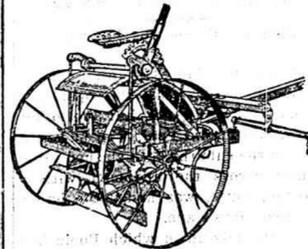
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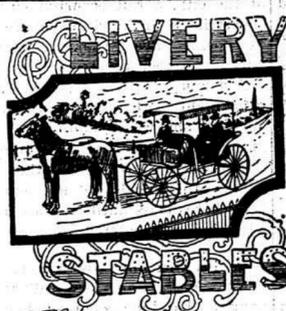
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