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STORM DEALS DEATH IN STATE ALABAMA

Many People Reported Killed at Moundville.

TOWN IS ALMOST DESTROYED.

Tuscaloosa Doctors Are Hurried to the Scene to Render Assistance. Death List is Reported at Thirty So Far.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 22.—A special to The News from Tuscaloosa, Ala., says:

Moundville, a town 10 miles south of here, was totally destroyed at 1 o'clock this morning by a cyclone.

A great many people were killed or fatally hurt. A negro section laborer, who arrived here on a handcar, reports that the country is laid bare for miles around Moundville.

He saw the bodies of many people lying around. Every doctor in Tuscaloosa, including the surgeons at the state insane hospital, have gone to the scene.

Reports received here by telephone say that the death list so far is estimated at 30.

The merchants of Tuscaloosa have offered every assistance to the destitute.

Limited Train No. 1 on the Alabama Great Southern railroad missed the storm by only a few minutes.

Thomas B. Allen, a well known planter, who lives at Moundville, has arrived here and reports that A. H. Warren, of Montgomery, traveling salesman for the Alabama Grocery company, of Birmingham; Robert Powers; a small boy, name unknown; a night telegraph operator at Moundville; and the man in charge of the railroad tank there, were among the killed.

These bodies will be brought here on the noon train.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 22.—Officers of the Alabama Great Southern railroad here have just received a message by the way of Selma from Conductor Caphart, of the Limited Train No. 2, northbound, dated at Akron, saying that when his train reached Moundville shortly before 3 o'clock this morning, he was unable to pass because of wreckage on the track.

He says that the entire north end of the town of Moundville was wrecked by a tornado about 2 o'clock this morning.

Moundville is a town of about 200 people on the line of Hale and Tuscaloosa counties.

It is 70 miles southwest of here and about 15 miles south of Tuscaloosa.

Every thing to the place is down as the result of the storm, but a wrecking train with a locomotive on board has gone from here to repair the damage.

The wrecking train is in charge of Superintendent Griggs, of the railroad.

Struck North Birmingham. Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 22.—A tornado struck the town of North Birmingham at 2 o'clock this morning and demolished or damaged 30 houses, most of which were negro cabins. A number of industrial plants were also damaged by having stacks blown down.

The store of Posey Bros. was destroyed. There were a number of narrow escapes, but no one was hurt.

STORM SPREADS.

Telegraphic Communication is Demoralized in Mississippi Valley.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 22.—Forecasters Marbury, of the local weather bureau, this morning stated that the storm which has been prevalent throughout the southwest for the past two days, and which was central over Vicksburg, Miss., last night, has spread over the northwestern portion of Tennessee and the Mississippi valley, and will doubtless increase in intensity in that section.

Heavy rainfalls are reported in Tennessee, the precipitation reaching 1 inch and three-quarters at Nashville.

Telegraphic communication is demoralized to the west, nearly all the wires being down west of Gladstone, Ala.

The storm is moving in a northeasterly direction.

Negro Killed by Landslide.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 22.—At Aiken a landslide occurred while several negroes were at work on an excavation on the line of the city sewerage extension, and one negro named Wallace Turnbull was buried under a mass of clay and timbers, while the other laborers narrowly escaped. Turnbull's body has not yet been recovered.

Many Return to Work.

New York, Jan. 22.—More than 1,500 men in the building trades at Paterson, N. J., who have been locked out for a month, have returned to work. Their differences will be settled by arbitration.

Man Orders Amnesty.

Constitutional, Jan. 22.—The sultan has ordered that general amnesty be granted to the Bulgarians and Macedonians who have been implicated for participation in the disturbances of last summer.

Appointments for Pickens Circuit for the Year 1904.

First Sunday—Porter's Chapel, 11 a. m.; Pickens, 7 p. m.

Second Sunday—Pickens, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Third Sunday—Beulah, 11 a. m.; Twelve Mile, 3:30 p. m.

Fourth Sunday—Tabor, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Fifth Sunday—Twelve Mile, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Sixth Sunday—Tabor, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Seventh Sunday—Twelve Mile, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Eighth Sunday—Tabor, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Ninth Sunday—Twelve Mile, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

Tenth Sunday—Tabor, 11 a. m.; Beulah, 3:30 p. m.

STATE OF TRADE.

Summary of the International Mercantile Agency.

New York, Jan. 22.—Special telegrams from correspondents of the International Mercantile Agency respecting the state of trade throughout the United States are summarized as follows:

"The most encouraging developments of the week are the widening demand for all forms of iron and steel at Pittsburgh and Chicago with increased confidence that bottom prices have been reached. Other features are the falling of war prospects and the real plethora of money in New York and western centers and the highest prices for wheat since 1898 due to increased milling demand for home and foreign products and a greatly over-sold May option at Chicago. Other advances in prices were for corn, oats, clover, cotton, coffee, leather, hides, tin and copper, with partial reactions in the last two. Silk piece goods were in better demand and prices are holding. Boston's wool shipments of last week were of a year ago. Shoes and leather were firm at advances. The most important industrial union went 10 per cent higher wages for piece-work and more than that for machine milled. Bituminous miners operators in four states want a reduction.

"Philadelphia textile manufacturers, except cottons, are busy.

EEL STOPPED MILL WHEEL.

Entire Plant of City Mills at Columbus Brought to Standstill.

Columbus, Ga., Jan. 22.—A big eel stopped a 75-horsepower water wheel at the city mills Thursday.

The eel going in through the water gate had formed such a lump that the wheel was unable to move. The millers investigated the cause.

The first man to go down thought he had found a baby in the wheel, so large was the mass of flesh. The eel had to be taken out in sections, as was as large as the small part of a man's leg and 6 feet long. The obstruction removed, the water wheel resumed operation.

It was the first time in local history that such an unusual incident occurred.

ATLANTA GETS UNIVERSITY.

Great Presbyterian Institution Will Be Founded There.

Atlanta, Jan. 22.—The great Presbyterian university will be founded in Atlanta.

The special conference, in which the synods of seven states were represented, by a vote of 15 to 3, has so recommended and the prevailing opinion of the conference is that the Presbyterians of the south will abide by the action of the conference.

By an overwhelming vote it was determined to recommend the consolidation of Columbia Theological university at Columbia, S. C., and the Southwestern Presbyterian university at Clarksville, Tenn., in one larger educational institution here in Atlanta.

OVER 14 CENTS IN ELBERTON.

Highest Price of Season Paid for Hundred Bales.

Elberton, Ga., Jan. 22.—Thursday about one hundred bales of cotton were sold on the public square at 14 1/2 cents.

This is the highest price yet paid for cotton here, and cotton men freely predict its going easily to 15 cents.

Some cotton is still on hand, but the largest part of the crop has been marketed.

It is estimated that the average price for the crop marketed here has been 11 cents.

BOY STRANGLER BY CORD WOOD.

Fell from Pile of Wood and Stick of Wood Fell on Him.

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 22.—John Wells, the 4-year-old son of John Wells of this county, was strangled to death.

The child was playing on a pile of cord wood when a stick rolled down and crushed him.

When found, the stick of wood was lying on his throat, death having ended the child's suffering an hour before.

Auto Tourney for Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 22.—Arrangements have been made for a trial of the speed of the automobiles of Barney Oldfield, of Detroit, and Charles Graham, of New York, at Savannah early in February. They will have a single race for the championship of the world. This race will be run on the circular track here. The terms of the track will be banked more than at present to admit of the machines getting around them without accident. The contestants will stop over on their way back from Ormond Beach, Fla. Several other well known automobilists will participate in other events.

Ice Gorge Gives Way.

Cincinnati, Jan. 21.—The large ice gorge in the Ohio river between Ludlow, Ky., and the western part of this city, gave way today. As it was below Cincinnati harbor no damage was done here, but lower points have been warned. Great apprehension is felt here on account of the ice gorges up the river that are expected to break soon, as it has rained steadily throughout the Ohio valley.

Wonderful Nerve.

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruises, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there is no need for it. Bick's America Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best salve on earth for Piles, too, 25c, at Pickens Drug Co.

Liberty Circuit Appointments.

First Sunday—11 o'clock Willis Chapel; 3 o'clock Ruhamah.

Second Sunday—11 o'clock Fairview; 7 o'clock (night) ...

Third Sunday— ...

Fourth Sunday— ...

Rheumatic pains are quickly relieved by application of Ramon's Nerve and Bone Ointment, 25c at Earle's Drug Store, J. D. Moore, Carle Bros.

FLOODS THREATEN OHIO RIVER VALLEY

Ice Gorges Are Breaking Up With Rush in Rivers.

GREAT DAMAGE IS FEARED.

Weather Continues Warm and One of the Worst Floods in History of the Section of Country is Feared—Great Ice Masses Are Moving.

Pittsburg, Jan. 22.—Forecasters Ridgeway has received a telegram stating that the ice gorge at Freeport, 40 miles north of this city on the Allegheny river, started with a rush early this morning.

The weather continues warm and everything indicates one of the worst floods in the city's history.

The police department has patrols out, notifying residents and business houses in the threatened districts.

The ice gorge at Springdale, 16 miles north of this city on the Allegheny river, began to move this morning.

The start of the ice caused a great deal of excitement and apprehension.

Captain J. M. Hemp Wright said he saw the largest mass of ice he has seen there in 40 years.

The flat boats along the river side were caught and crushed.

So far no damage has been done to the Springdale dam, and it was thought by experienced observers that the water was too high for any to be wrought.

BOATHOUSE CAIRIED OFF.

Boat Battered to Pieces and Wife of Man Drowned.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 22.—The ice in the Ohio river carried off a house boat and a woman was drowned.

The boat was battered to pieces and Mrs. Showe was drowned. Her body has not been recovered.

Showe caught on some bushes on the submerged island in the middle of the river opposite the island below the city. His cries for help were heard, and an effort was made to rescue him.

Rollo Morrison started for him through the ice with a boat. After an hour he reached him, but Showe was crazed by the cold and fought him off. Morrison finally overpowered him, tied him in the boat with ropes and started for shore.

The crushing ice and struggles of the man threw Morrison out, and the boat went on down the river with Showe tied to the bottom.

Morrison followed the boat with Showe in it as far as Maywood, 4 miles below the city, where a bayonet disappeared around a bend of the river. Showe was seen to raise himself up, waive his hands and fall back.

FAMILIES MOVING OUT.

Wabash Breaks Record For 20 Years For High Water.

Peru, Ind., Jan. 22.—Many families have vacated out of their homes here because of the high water and ice in the Wabash river, which rose 2 feet during the night, and is still rising.

The record for 20 years is broken. The Howe factory has closed and 600 men are idle. It is feared the new bridge of the Indianapolis Northern Traction will go.

Preparations are being made to dynamite it if necessary to save other property.

The Fort Wayne Southwestern Traction company has stopped its cars and the Loansport line is running through a field of water.

Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville train service has been abandoned.

Flood of Water Sweeps Down River.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 22.—A gorge of ice broke about the city today and a flood of water swept down the Cuyahoga river tearing away three big steamers. The vessels were carried down stream and crushed into the big drawbridges of the Superior street viaduct. All were badly damaged, and it is believed the foundation of the bridge has been damaged. The river is completely blocked by the vessel jammed about the piers of the viaduct. The vessels carried down the stream were large steamers owned by the United States Steel corporation.

Comparatively Small Loss.

Cincinnati, Jan. 22.—The break up in the ice gorges in the Ohio river at this point has been accompanied by comparatively small loss. So far a few barges have been crushed and a few others torn from their moorings. Their escape from heavy damage is largely due to the fortunate breaking of the gorge below the city first, and to the checking of the ice above the city. The river is now 23 7/16 feet, a rise of 10 feet since yesterday.

Steamers Break Moorings.

Lorain, O., Jan. 22.—Great loss has been caused by heavy rain. Two large steamers broke from their moorings and now lie at the mouth of the river in a dangerous position. The Nickel Plate river bridge has been washed away. The ship yards of the

Found a Cure for Indigestion.

I use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for indigestion and find that they suit my case better than any other. I have ever tried and I have used many different remedies. I am nearly fifty-one years of age and have suffered a great deal from indigestion. I cannot eat a morsel of anything I want now. Geo. W. Emory, Rock Mills, Ala. For sale by Pickens Drug Co.; Earle's Drug Store; Hunter & Pickens, Liberty.

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AMERICAN SHIPBUILDING COMPANY ARE UNDER WATER.

Many small vessels have been wrecked. The Baltimore is going down the river with the rush of ice.

Wide Sections Inundated.

Dayton, O., Jan. 22.—Wide sections of the Miami valley south of Dayton are inundated. Traction traffic between Dayton and Cincinnati has been suspended owing to damage to the trestle work south of Franklin. The immense ice gorge north of Dayton broke away in time to prevent the flooding of the city. The Miami river is still rising.

Passes Danger Point.

Columbus, O., Jan. 22.—The Seloto river has passed the danger point. The lowlands have been inundated. The electric street lights were dark during the night, the electric company having raised their dynamo so as to be above the danger line in case the levee breaks. They will be out of service until the flood danger is passed.

UNPRECEDENTED CONDITION.

New York State In Grasp of Very Rough Weather.

Buffalo, Jan. 22.—Within the past 48 hours western New York has been subjected to meteorological conditions such as have not prevailed here in a score of years and the situation now is terrifying the residents in low-lying sections particularly in the river valleys and flood districts in South Buffalo.

After a heavy fall of wet snow lasting all day the temperature fell below freezing, then rose again and a heavy rain set in, which still continues.

Owing to the fact that ice has formed beneath the snow and all streams are ice-bound, there is no opportunity for the water to soak into the earth or to pass away through the regular channels, and consequently, the water, unless the temperature falls again in a few hours, will flood the adjoining districts again and great damage will be done.

LADDER UNIONS.

Remarks of Former Assistant Attorney General Beck.

New York, Jan. 22.—An attack on labor unions made by former Assistant Attorney General Beck, of Philadelphia, was the cause for the remarks made by William J. Bryan in departing from the text of his speech at the Holland society dinner just held here.

Mr. Bryan declared there is greater danger from "corporations which defy the law" than from labor unions.

Mr. Beck, in his speech, said: "If I do not misread history, the prosperity of the Dutch people was founded upon a principle which is vitally essential to the progress and happiness of any people, and that is the unalienable right of every man to work for his pleasure and at what wage he pleases and to enjoy the fruits of his toil. This principle is in some need of vindication in this country and at this hour. Man was not brought into the world to work. It is only his burden. It is right and any form of social tyranny which contravenes this right is infinitely mischievous.

The tyranny of boycott in its attempt to club the free labor of our land into slavish submission to a labor oligarchy has been strongly illustrated within a few months in the city of Chicago, where its people were not even given permission to bury their dead."

TROOPS FIGHT FIRE.

Called from Their Bunks During Raging Blizzard by Alarm.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 22.—In a raging blizzard 500 infantrymen and artillerymen thinly clad fell out of their bunks at Fort Sam Houston early this morning in answer to a signal cannon, and general fire alarm to save the officers' quarters from destruction.

A row of two story frame house was on fire opposite the adjutant's office, bachelor quarters, and a line of two story officers' quarters, enveloping the government buildings in flames.

Major Loftis Niles, artillery corps, had five bucket brigades at work with 200 men in reserve until a procession of hose carts and steamers arrived.

Several of the quarters were badly scorched and 300 yards of fence and outhouses were destroyed. The total damage will amount to less than \$1,000, but nearly \$95,000 government property was in danger, and was only saved by the prompt response of organized troops to the alarm.

PLAN OF PILGRIM SOCIETY.

Transatlantic Cable To Be Leased for One Hour.

New York, Jan. 22.—Plans have been made by the Pilgrim Society to put into practical effect the principle of the club.

This will occur during a dinner on Jan. 23, in honor of Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, when, for the first time in the history of any dinner in this city, a transatlantic cable will be leased for one hour, and while the New York Pilgrims will have charge of this and the organization in London, at which Earl Roberts is to be the guest of honor, will have charge of the other.

The guests at the two dinners will exchange messages of good will.

Revival at Douglasville.

Douglasville, Ga., Jan. 22.—Rev. S. R. C. Adams, of Atlanta, is holding a series of meetings at the Baptist church at this place. Dr. Adams is a noted divine, and a great deal of interest is being manifested in the services.

Saved From Terrible Death.

The family of Mrs. M. L. B. Abbott, of Bargeton, Tenn., are so relieved and cured of their eye troubles by the use of J. O'NEILL'S Eye Cure, that they are now able to see and enjoy life as usual. For sale by Pickens Drug Co.; Earle's Drug Store; Hunter & Pickens, Liberty.

COTTON KING BROWN SURPRISES THE RING

His Transactions on the New Orleans Market.

TO BUY HALF A MILLION BALES.

Bid 15.13 for 15,000 Bales of May—The Present Prices Highest Since War Times and Since Future Market Was Established.

New Orleans, Jan. 22.—Brown surprised the ring at the cotton exchange this morning by telling traders to go to his brokers and give them orders which he had for sale for May delivery at the market price. He said he was willing to buy everything offered up to half a million bales.

Before he made this offer the bid was 15.13 for 25,000 bales of May. His purchases were heavy.

The market remains in a healthy condition in spite of the high levels that have been attained.

Present prices are the highest since war times and since the future market has been established. There appears to be no weak long interest in the market, and brokers are exacting heavy margins on all purchases.

The most notable feature of today's market was the absence of sellers. Everyone wanted to buy. Liverpool was better than expected, and prices were sent up on this and on a continued good spot demand at advances over yesterday's prices.

Late in the morning March was 21 points higher than yesterday at 14.95 and May was 29 points higher at 15.27, and July was 24 points higher at 15.50.

FURTHER DISTURBANCES.

Attacks Made by Koreans—Dowager Empress of China Arrived in London, Jan. 22.—A special dispatch from Seoul, Corea, dated today, says Japanese military men have been attacked by Koreans at several points along the Seoul-Fusan railroad and that the Korean authorities have been notified that unless they prevent a recurrence of these disorders, necessary measures to do so will be taken up by the Japanese troops.

The dowager empress of China is thoroughly alive to the peril threatening China as a result of the Russo-Japanese crisis, and has, according to the Globe's Shanghai correspondent, determined at all costs to fight for the freedom of Manchuria from foreign control.

Conferences between the dowager and the leading statesmen, it is added, have convinced her that any other policy would be tantamount to dynastic suicide as the dishonor of the ancestral tomb supplied by foreign domination would be unpardonable in the eyes of the Chinese, and unless a vigorous effort is made to reassert Manchuria's authority, the Frappings and Ming dynasty, with the result of the complete destruction of China.

The correspondent adds that the dowager has been informed that some of the foreign powers are willing to give the Manchus a final opportunity of rehabilitating themselves, even to the extent of aiding them by force if necessary, provided the Manchus government is sincerely favorable to reform.

The Russian ministers at Peking, the correspondent adds, has learned of the results of these conferences and is convinced in the event of war China will be forced to participate with practically the whole world against reform.

In the meanwhile, the dispatch continues, Japan, although ostensibly engaged with its own quarrel, is really the spearman of the whole group of powers devoted to the policy of anti-partition, and who have virtually agreed together to defend China.

SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD.

Actor Suicides in Presence of Wife at Columbus.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 22.—Colonel New Fowler, leading man of the Empire Stock company, shot himself through the right temple early this morning dying soon after.

He was in the presence of his wife, Laura Nelson Hall, whom he married since they came here with the stock organization, and Dr. Carlin, who had been called to attend him.

Nervousness, due to overwork, is assigned as the cause.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The annual convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held at St. Louis Oct. 4 to 8. Oct. 7 will be Confederate Day at the fair.

The army appropriation bill was up in the house, but the debate was largely on the tariff, Mr. Williams, the Democratic leader, attacking the "stand pat" policy of the Republicans.

Panama occupied the attention of the senate. Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, defended the course of the president, and Mr. Morgan explained his bill for the annexation of Panama.

At the trial of Machen and his alleged accomplices it was charged that Machen on a salary of \$3,500 a year had managed to make a presidential boom for General Nelson's A. Miles.

The recent warm rains have caused the ice gorges in the western rivers to move and great damage is being done.

Whittaker Wright, the promoter on trial at London for fraud, has left the witness stand, after two days of cross-examination. The prosecuting attorney denounced several of Wright's statements as lies.

The revolution in Uruguay is more serious than supposed. The rebels have been beaten in three battles, many being killed and wounded.

How's This? We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by J. O'NEILL'S Catarrh Cure. Sold by J. O'NEILL & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Beware of cheap imitations. This medicine has been known for thirty years and is the only one that is absolutely reliable. It is made by this company and is the only one that is made by this company.

BOYS' FATAL ACCIDENT.

Were Playing With Blasting Powder in Mississippi.

Columbus, Miss., Jan. 22.—Willie D