

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOOD.

From Cairo to New Orleans Disaster Threatens.

At Memphis the River Yesterday Had Risen Five-tenths of a Foot in 24 Hours

Memphis, Tenn., March 11.—The Mississippi River is rising steadily at its point, the gauge this morning marking 32.2 feet. This is a rise of five-tenths of a foot in the past twenty-four hours. It is believed that the river will reach a mark of 38 feet at Memphis. Reports from Mississippi and Arkansas today indicate that the gravest apprehension prevails regarding the flood situation. In some districts armed sentries are patrolling the levees. All streams and rivers in Arkansas are overflowing. In North Memphis the flood has already begun encroaching at certain points, and it will take but a few inches more of water to render work impossible at many of the lumber industries in that section of the city. At Greenlawn and 2d streets the backwaters have reached the latter thoroughfare. The occupants of cabins there have been compelled to flee to higher ground. The steamer Georgia Lee arrive from Cairo today and reports all landings to be in a bad condition. The steamers' officers say refugees from the lowlands are to be seen everywhere. The Government engineers have augmented their force and the steamers are carrying sacks of sand and other supplies to the more dangerous places in the levee system.

THE OUTLOOK AT NATCHEZ.

A Fifteen-foot Levee Reported Broken—Houses Washed Away.

Natchez, Miss. March 11.—A report reached here today that the Texas and Pacific Railroad embankment at Bourg, in Lower Concordia Parish, about thirty-five miles south of Yaddo, had broken, but Sheriff Gillespie, of that parish, could not verify the report. This embankment is fifteen feet high, or three feet higher than the high water stage of 1897, and is a new levee. To appreciate the force that would be necessary to break this levee it is stated that the average base of a fifteen-foot levee is one hundred feet through. Officers on the mail steamer Betsy Ann are authority for the statement that frame buildings in the lowlands have been washed away. Residences have been torn from their foundations, and some have been caught and held by the trees. The owners and occupants were glad to escape with their lives. Deer, bears and other animals have been driven to high lands and are being slaughtered in large numbers. The weather is threatening. The river gauge is 46.85, being above the danger line and rising.

Special River Bulletin.

Washington, March 11.—The weather bureau this afternoon issued the following special river bulletin:

From Cairo to Helena conditions have become slightly more threatening since Tuesday. The rise is progressing at an increased rate and 38 feet of water are expected at Memphis by Sunday or Monday. A stage of 39 feet is not improbable and precautions should be made for that stage. The White River has continued to rise rapidly, while the Arkansas is also near high water stage, and the effects of these waters will be felt in the main river within a short time.

Below Helena the rise will continue steadily and maximum stages will probably be reached as follows: Kansas City, 51 feet; Greenville, 46 feet; Vicksburg, 50 feet.

The Mississippi below Vicksburg and the Atchafalaya will continue to rise for the next three or four weeks, while the Red, below Shreveport, and the Ouachita will continue to rise for several days.

Mr. Simpson, the Apiarian.

Mr. H. C. Simpson, the well-known apiarian at Catawba Junction, was in town Monday and remembered to call and renew his subscription to The Herald.

Mr. Simpson has been in the bee business since 1880 and has had a great deal of experience in that very interesting industry. He related as a peculiar circumstance the fact that last year he took from his 145 hives an average of 11 pounds from the stands, while the year before the average was 29 pounds, and in 1900 the average was 45 pounds. Last year was the lowest yield in ten, though not as small as he has known. The yield one season a number of years ago was only four pounds to the hive, while in another year he has received a return of as much as an average of 60.

Mr. Simpson thinks the conditions in winter has much to do with the yield of honey—he believes that a winter with long continued rains will affect vegetation so as to warrant a rich supply, and a dry winter the reverse effect. Though the weather conditions at time of flow of nectar has the greater influence, provided the winter weather has been favorable. Mr. Simpson sells nine-tenths of his honey in Rock Hill. His greatest return was in 1900, when he received 4,000 pounds, and that was nearly all sold in Rock Hill at an average of about 11 1/4 cents per pound. He is an enthusiast on the subject of bee culture and in this country is an authority on the subject.—Rock Hill Herald.

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FLOOD SITUATION

STILL SERIOUS.

The Lower Mississippi River Continues to Rise.

The Levees Are Still Holding But the Government Report Predicts a Further Rise in Rivers.

Memphis, Tenn., March 12.—There is little change in the river situation tonight and although the rise today has been slight the Southern situation is still considered grave and a stage of more than 38 feet is still expected. The gauge tonight shows 35.8 and rising, an advance of two-tenths since midnight last night.

Dispatches from Caruthersville say that the situation here is practically unchanged and that the embankments will hold a stage of water three feet greater than at present. These dispatches are from private individuals and if the government engineers have received advices from Caruthersville today they have not made them public. Capt. Lucas, U. S. engineer in charge of the first and second districts, left today for Helena, Ark., to personally inspect conditions in the White river district. The government steamer Mercury left today for Helena with supplies and men for Assistant Engineer Levesseur, who is in charge of the levee strengthening work at that point.

The Robert E. Lee left today for the south carrying supplies and men for the levee engineers at Cat Island, where the rush of the waters through the 17 mile gap in the levees is causing uneasiness. The James Lee left for the north with men and supplies for the engineers at Pecan Point, where strengthening work is in progress on the embankment. No news has been received from the area in Mississippi county, Ark. which was reported flooded yesterday by water having percolated through the embankments.

The engineers here say that the crest of the rise will probably reach Memphis Sunday unless there are further heavy rains generally over the area drained by the tributaries of the Mississippi in the meantime. They predict a record breaking stage of water on account of the fact that the levees are all holding against the flood. During the high water of 1897 the river at Memphis was 40 miles broad and there were no embankments on the Arkansas shore to back up the waters and narrow the channel of the river. Should the embankments hold the crest of the rise will pass Memphis quicker than otherwise would be the case and the danger of breaks in the levees below this city will be greatly increased. For this reason the situation below Memphis is now that which is developing most concern.

STRENGTHENING THE LEVEES.

Jackson, Miss., March 12.—So thoroughly convinced is Gov. Longino that the Mississippi levees must break tomorrow or next day that he will leave tomorrow morning for Greenville, whence he will direct the work of the State convicts and see to the transporting of State property to places of safety. Warden Henry is now gathering convicts from several State farms and hastening by special train to points of danger along the river front.

Vote on Canal Treaty Tuesday.

Washington, March 12.—The senate by unanimous consent today agreed to vote on the Colombian canal treaty Tuesday. The amendments to the treaty are to be considered Monday. The request for unanimous agreement was made by Senator Frye. The agreement is in part as follows:

"That not later than Tuesday next, the vote upon the resolution for ratification shall be taken without further debate. That the injunction of secrecy shall then be removed from the speeches of Senator Morgan already printed and submitted to senators, including that to be made by him on the response to the senate resolution calling for information as to the agreement between the Panama Canal company and our government and they shall be printed in the record, and that the speech or speeches made for and against the ratification of the treaty, during the hour of general debate allowed each side shall be printed in the record in like manner as the speeches of Senator Morgan."

On motion of Senator Gorman the injunction of secrecy was removed from the agreement.

Washington, March 11.—In open session of the senate today Mr. Allison of Iowa offered a resolution authorizing the committee on rules to re-examine the rules of the senate with the view to ascertaining what changes, if any, are necessary and especially to make inquiry whether it is expedient to in any way limit debate in the senate and if so to what extent. The resolution further provides that the committee is authorized to sit during the recess of the senate and is directed to submit a report to the senate of its conclusions as soon as practicable, after the beginning of the session next December.

Washington, March 11.—Although the Cuban reciprocity treaty has not yet been taken up by the senate committee on foreign relations, opposition to it is crystallizing rapidly among Democrats and the administration is secretly much concerned over the outlook. The Democrats are now threatening a filibuster in behalf of their amendment providing for the ratification of the treaty by the congress becomes effective. On a strict party vote the minority is able to prevent ratification.

The report comes from Charleston that the guano movement is very heavy. The outlook is for the sale of 400,000 tons. From Wilmington, Atlanta and Richmond about 50,000 additional will be shipped to this State. It will take about 200,000 bales of cotton to pay for it.

Tampa, Fla., March 9.—Henry Thomas, colored, who attempted a criminal assault on the ten-year-old daughter of Porter Keene, on Friday, was lynched near Parish last night, after being identified by his victim and having admitted his guilt.

ALLIANCEMEN WANT RECEIVER.

Application for a Receiver for the Farmers' Alliance Fund.

Consisting of a Deposit of \$16,000 Now in the Hands of the Alliance Exchange.

Columbia, March 10.—The Farmers' Alliance fund has gotten into the Courts. The Alliance Exchange has about \$16,000 on deposit and suit has now been brought asking for the appointment of a receiver and the distribution of the fund among the individual members entitled to it. The suit is brought in the name of H. E. Brookshire, on behalf of himself, on behalf of the stockholders of the Cash Mill Sub-Alliance, and on behalf of all other stockholders of the "Farmers' Alliance Exchange of South Carolina, limited," who will come into this action and share the expenses thereof. Plaintiff against the Farmers' Alliance Exchange of South Carolina, limited: A. C. Lyles, J. L. Keitt, J. B. Douthitt, J. F. Ashe, S. T. McKeown and O. P. Goodwin; M. L. Donaldson and C. J. Coit; on behalf of themselves and all other creditors of said Farmers' Alliance Exchange, defendant.

The plaintiff is represented by Lawyers James Verner and Bellingier, Townsend an Haskell. Application has been made to Judge Ernest Gary for the appointment of a receiver, and he has fixed the 21st of March as the time for hearing arguments, if there be opposition to the appointment of a receiver, who is to marshal the assets and distribute the fund, according to the direction of the Court.

The complaint alleges that the Alliance Exchange is not using the money for the purposes for which the fund was collected, and on that account the money should be returned to those who paid it for fear of its being dissipated. The order is brief, but the complaint covers a great deal of ground and gives the history of the fund.

The Court will also be asked to hold the fund in its entirety, as the directors of the Alliance, it is stated, are not now using the fund for the original purposes.

It is further alleged that there are debts or claims against the fund, which ought to be met, and that some decision should be had as to the validity of these claims.

The case is likely to be interesting.

Township Boards of Assessors.

The following appointments for Township Boards of Assessors have been recommended by the legislative delegation to Governor Heyward:

Manchester Township.—W. J. Ardis, Pinewood; E. W. Nettles, Wedgefield; Geo. T. Geddings, Wedgefield.

Sumter Township.—W. M. Graham, Sumter; H. J. McLaurin, Sumter; R. P. Stackhouse, Oswego.

Concord Township.—W. J. Durant, Sumter; J. I. Brogdon, Brogdon; R. C. Blanding, Sumter.

Privateer Township.—S. A. Harvin, Ramsey; W. O. Cain; Raunsey; D. E. Wells, Privateer.

Providence Township.—R. J. Brownfield, Catehall; W. S. Dinkins, Rural Route, Sumter; W. S. Burkett, Sumter.

Rafting Creek Township.—E. E. E. Rembert, Rembert; T. P. Sanders, Boykins; T. O. Sanders, Jr., Hagood.

Mayesville Township.—G. W. McBride, Goodwill; J. E. Mayes, Mayesville; W. A. Cooper, Mayesville.

Stateburg Township.—J. T. Frierion, Stateburg; DeSaussure Bull, Stateburg; Scriven Moore, Stateburg.

Middleton Township.—E. E. Aycock, Wedgefield; J. B. Ryan, Wedgefield; J. B. Crouch, Wedgefield.

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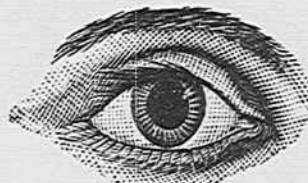
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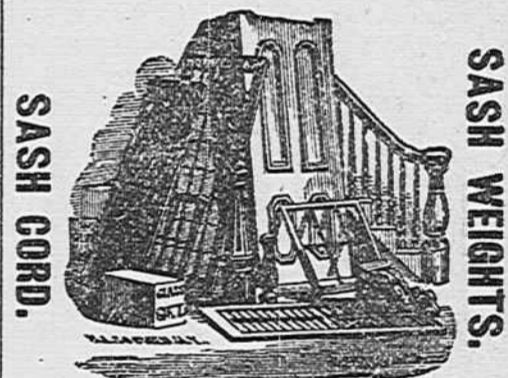
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