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THE CYCLONE.

The Greatest Ever Known in Kentucky
Sweeps Across Several States
doing immense damage to Crops,

LEVEES, AND BUILDINGS—THE RECORD OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION, ETC.

LOUISVILLE, March 26.—The Courier-Journal's London, Ky., special says: A terrific cyclone, the greatest ever known in that section of the country, passed near that place and Pittsburg, two miles north of London, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, carrying death and destruction in its train, especially at Pittsburg, where it was severest. The Methodist church was razed to the ground and much other property damaged.

At Pittsburg John Hailman brakemen, was blown from a freight box car, carried about fifty feet, lighting on his head in a creek, breaking his neck, causing instantaneous death. Three freight boxes, two coal oil tanks, and a caboose were blown from the track, slightly injuring others and detaining the south-bound mail train 5 hours.

A little cabin, in which Mr. Broughton was living was blown down, instantly killing Mrs. Broughton and two little children.

The following persons are thought to be mortally wounded: Col. C. W. Stringer, both legs broken and cut in the head; Mrs. C. W. Stringer, hip mashed; Rob't Ridings, spinal column broken, cut in head; Miss Salite Goff, cut in the head; James Warren, two ribs broken, wounded in the head.

Among those slightly wounded are W. W. Woolsey, Wm. Philpot, Mrs. Thomas Ross, and others whose names the writer did not learn. The following are estimated damages to property: Pittman Coal Company, storehouse \$3000; Laurel Coal Company, storehouse \$3000; Peacock coal slip house and store, \$5000; T. C. Stringer

& Co., storehouse \$1000; Thomas Ross, residence \$200; Geo. Anderson, residence \$1000; W. Goff, residence \$800; M. Hopea, stable, \$300; Peter McCann, residence \$300; John Pittman, hotel and steammill, \$2000; M. E. Church, \$300. Over 100 men and their families are left without homes or employment by the dreadful catastrophe.

REPORTS FROM OHIO.

Capt. Godfather took refuge in a bridge over City Creek, near Xenia O., yesterday during the storm. The bridge was carried away by the cyclone, his horse killed and his buggy demolished, but Capt. Godfather escaped by swimming ashore.

At Ripley, O., a fierce wind storm unroofed many houses, yesterday evening, and obstructed the roads by fallen trees.

Poland township, Mahoning county, was visited by the cyclone last night, its path being 10 rods wide and extending 2 miles north and south. Several residences, barns and outbuildings were demolished; trees were torn to shreds, and cattle killed, making a loss of many thousand dollars. Several persons were slightly injured, but none killed.

Petersburg, Va., March 26.—A tremendous thunderstorm burst over the city shortly after midnight last night. The rain poured down in torrents and the thunder shook the houses severely. The Appomattox River at this point is very high and the meadows on the Chesterfield side of the river are submerged. The water is still rising. A protracted spell of bad weather this month has greatly retarded all farming operations in this section.

A Lynchburg dispatch says that a terrific wind and rain storm swept over that section last night, causing great damage to property. In Amherst county the low lands were all submerged, and the fencing, bridges and mildams were swept away. The James River, at that point is higher than for five years. Considerable damage was done along the line of the Richmond and Alleghany Road, between Lynchburg and Lexington. The company's track in Lynchburg is submerged from the aqueduct to Tenth street.

Charlotte, March 26.—Special dispatches to the Charlotte Observer regarding the cyclone in this section of North Carolina last night state that at Newton thirty houses were blown down, the Methodist church wrecked and the residences of Rev. Colby Killian and Chas. Jewitt swept away. Cline & William's flouring mill were partially destroyed. Mary Hunsaker was killed and 14 persons were wounded.

Rumors from Lenoir say that a whole family of six ladies are known to have been killed. The telegraph wires are down.

At Meckleburg five or six residences were destroyed. No lives were lost. The cyclone also passed through Iredell county, doing great damage to fruits and blowing down many houses.

LATEST LEVEE AND FLOOD NEWS.

[N. O. States, 28th.]

The condition of affairs at Bayou Sara is improving, the river having fallen 2 inches in twenty-four hours.

The people of Pointe Coupee Parish are in a terrible state, the Parish being one sheet of water.

The levees at Grosse Tete and Maringouin can stand two feet more rise and are comparatively safe.

Affairs at Port Allen are more promising.

At last accounts the river at Vicksburg was stationary at 48 feet 11 inches above low water mark.

Ashton levee, in East Carroll Parish, is safe, while the levees around Bunche's bend are in no immediate danger, although by no means secure.

Concordia, Tensas and Madison Parishes are submerged, the water being 6½ inches higher than in 1882.

Rations are badly needed in Tensas Parish, and the distress of both people and stock is very great.

The break in the Kempe levee is 500 feet wide.

THE JUDICIAL MUDDLE AGAIN

(Shreveport Times.)

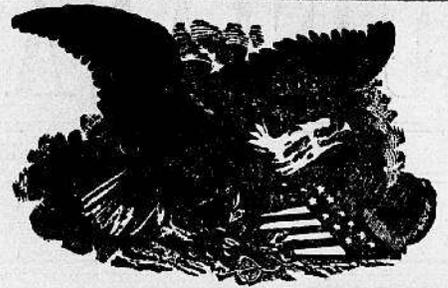
The Monroe Bulletin has this to say of the complication that has arisen in the 1st and 12th Judicial Districts. We conceive that our contemporary is mistaken in saying the law creating an additional Judge in this District was unconstitutional. The complication arises from the fact that an election was held under the law two years ago, whereas, if the election of the additional Judge had been deferred until the general election in April, 1884, it is evident there would have been no muddle in the matter. The Governor was, at the time, in some doubt as to the propriety of ordering an election prior to 1884, but we presume concluded it best to do so and have the question to be settled by the courts. The act creating an additional Judge in the 12th District was drawn differently, and provided for election immediately after its promulgation:—

"In 1882 the Legislature passed two acts, creating an additional Judge in each of the 1st and 12th Districts. It seems that the laws were very improvidently drawn up, and grave questions have arisen as to the constitutionality of the acts in the first place, and in the second, as to their interpretation. Judge Blackman in the 12th and Judge Jones in the 1st Districts were elected in 1882, under the provisions of these acts. They claim that they were elected for four years under the constitutional provision, and that if a successor to themselves is provided for in the acts, which is also disputed, that he can qualify only upon the expiration of their terms of office, namely, in 1886.—The Attorney General holds that the offices are legislative creations, are limited as to the terms of the present incumbents, to the general election, at which time the offices themselves expire, as no provision is made for electing successors.—The Governor has issued a proclamation for the election of successors to these Judges, and, undoubtedly, their successors will be chosen.—Admitting the constitutionality of the acts, we shall still have a three-cornered fight, and a muddle of judicial affairs in the Districts concerned, that holds out anything but a pleasant prospect for prompt administration of justice."

WARNING TO CANDIDATES.—Peck's bad boy has analyzed the situation and gives a few pointers to candidates in the burst of confidence with which he deluges the groceryman. The moral painted in this tale is that candidates for public preferment should maintain a conservative front:

"Well, pa has got it bad, but he is too numerous. He has been yearning for two years for a political campaign to open. I don't suppose there is a citizen who enjoys politics as much as pa. He stays out nights till the last place is closed, and is the first man on deck in the morning. He has drank with more candidates, more different times than anybody, and when he is so full that he can't drink he takes a cigar, and brings it home. His guests have been smoking up old election cigars ever since the Hancock campaign, and some of them are awful. But this time they are going to run pa for alderman, and he has opened the campaign with a corkscrew. Pa thinks the position of alderman is greater than Governor, because aldermen wear a badge, and have influence. But pa is overdoing the thing. He wants to please everybody, and has promised to put 97 men on the police force, has promised 44 men the position of bridge tender, and there is only one bridge in his ward. He promises the saloon keepers to reduce the price of licenses, and allow them to keep open all night, and he has promised the prohibition temperance people to raise saloon licenses to \$1000 and close every saloon in town. The result is going to be if pa is not elected he will kill himself, and if he is elected the people will kill him, so somebody has got to save pa."

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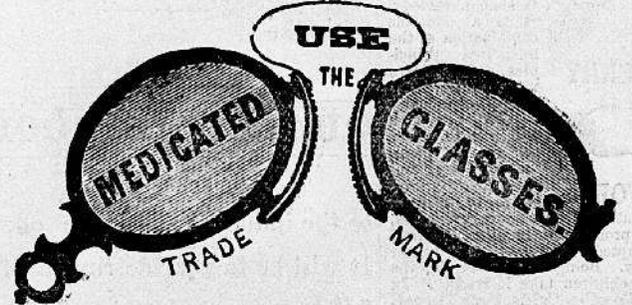
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