

MERCELESS ELEMENTS.

Destructive Storms Sweep Over the Atlantic States.

MANY LIVES SACRIFICED AND PROPERTY DESTROYED.

The City of Washington Was in the Path of the Storm, and Suffered Greatly--Several People are Killed and the White House is Badly Damaged.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.--A terrible wind and rain storm came up the coast to-day, doing untold damage in all directions. The storm was one which was so remarkable in its varied characteristics, and far-reaching in the area of its sweep, that it will be recorded, especially in the logs of telegraph and telephone companies, as having equalled, if not excelled, the great blizzard of 1888.

From numerous points come reports of damage, destruction and deaths, and not until a cessation of the warring elements permits the restoration of telegraphic communication with the points at present inaccessible, will the full extent of the destruction be known.

Originating near Southern Georgia or Northern Florida this wave of devastation swept northward, bearing down the flimsy wires, snapping off trees and telegraph poles, and wrecking substantial buildings. Reaching the Chesapeake it seemed to divide, one part going up through Eastern Ohio and West Virginia to carry destruction into Pennsylvania and New York, the other half following near the Atlantic coast line through Eastern Virginia, sweeping the terrible fury upon the capital of the Nation, doing tremendous damage in that city and even endeavoring on its way to wreck the White House.

From Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania the reports, as yet meager, outline the destruction that has taken place, accurate reports of which can only be secured when the storm subsides.

The Associated Press made strenuous efforts to secure news from the storm patches, every wire to the West and South-west which seemed to promise an outlet being eagerly seized upon. Some news, for instance, was received from Baltimore, reaching Chicago by way of Atlanta, Chattanooga, Memphis and St. Louis, thence being distributed from Chicago to such points west of Pittsburg as happened to be fortunate enough to possess workable wires.

DESTRUCTION AT PITTSBURG. PREVIOUSLY, a storm of great violence swept over this city, and, doing great damage and injuring several persons, one, it is thought, fatally.

From all parts of Pittsburg and Allegheny come reports of damage by the storm. Houses were blown down and unroofed, trees and signs broken down, and telegraph poles torn up and the wires broken.

In the West End a building in the course of erection was blown down, crushing a small dwelling adjoining. The occupants all escaped but Mrs. Dehler, who was preparing dinner in the kitchen, was probably fatally injured.

Numerous accidents from falling signs and flying bricks, but as yet no serious injuries have been reported. Telephone and telegraph wires are prostrated all over the city and communication is cut off at many points. The streets are flooded by the heavy rain.

It is feared that great damage will yet result to the coal fleet in the river. On account of the crippled condition of the telegraphic service, news from surrounding districts concerning the storm is meager. It is known, however, that it was severe at West Point, where a great deal of damage has been done, particularly along the railroads.

Great damage is reported along the line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, west of Connellsville. At New Brighton, Pa., there is much damage by falling trees, chimneys, etc., and crossed electric wires set fire to several houses.

At Butler, Pa., several frame buildings were completely wrecked. The occupants were hurried in the ruins of Joseph Manny, Jr., was the only one seriously injured. This evening the wind is again very high in Pittsburg, and the rain has turned to snow.

The storm had disastrous effect upon cereals in oil fields. The oil as well as the new territories were a gale all day, and nearly all the districts within fifty miles of Pittsburg suffered to a greater or less extent from the storm. The losses to oil men are roughly estimated at \$25,000.

At midnight a high wind still prevailed, and it was alternately raining and snowing. Communication by telegraph is still cut off at many points. The storm of the Western Union and Postal Companies are prostrated between Pittsburg and Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and New York. The same condition prevails north, while west and south the wires are working but very poorly.

CARRIAGE WORKS WRECKED.

MEADVILLE (Pa.), Nov. 23.--The storm struck here with terrific force at noon to-day. Many buildings were damaged. Snow trees and chimneys were blown down all over the town. Reports from neighboring towns tell of serious damage. No lives were lost.

TERRIFIC ONSLAUGHT. MEADVILLE (Pa.), Nov. 23.--A terrific blizzard passed over this city to-day, and rain, snow and wind played havoc. From points outside of the city come reports of damage, destruction and deaths. At Meadville the carriage works were completely wrecked and several men were seriously injured. The West End Glass Works, a few miles from other points, news of more or less damage is coming in.

BALTIMORE SUFFERS SEVERELY. BALTIMORE, Nov. 23.--Shortly after noon today a wind and rain storm of unusual intensity struck the city, blowing down signs and chimneys and doing other damage. The roof of the oyster factory, No. 12, N. Mallby was blown off by the wind and a number of persons working in the top story were injured, but none seriously.

PEOPLE AND PROPERTY INJURED. NEW YORK, Nov. 23.--A cyclone swept over Lawrence, four miles west of here, yesterday afternoon. Many houses were wholly or partially demolished and a number of persons were hurt, but as far as heard only one fatally.

EMIGRANTS PROZEN. KNOXVILLE (Tenn.), Nov. 23.--A rain storm reached this city to-night that in a short time will have blown down the wagon train of immigrants westward bound, was caught and frozen to death. There is much excitement here over the report, but it is hardly credited.

BIG RAILROAD DEAL. C. P. Huntington to Dispose of All His Eastern Interests.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.--The recently published statement that the Chesapeake and Ohio is to incorporate part of the Newport News and Mississippi Valley Railroad has been completed. The part of the Newport News to be acquired is the Elizabethtown, Lexington and Big Sandy road, 139 miles from Huntington, W. Va. to the mouth of the Chesapeake and Ohio advancing five per cent. bonds.

C. P. Huntington, of the Newport News and Mississippi Valley road, questioned as to the sale of the Elizabethtown branch, is reported to have said: "It has been known for some time that the road was to be sold, and I intend to dispose of all my interests. I have in railroad property east of the Mississippi River as soon as I can. The shipyard at Newport News is being sold, and I intend to dispose of my interests in it. It is understood that Huntington is to build five new steamships for the Morgan line."

FLORENCE BURIED. Edwin Booth One of the Pall-Bearers of the Services.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.--The funeral services over the remains of William J. Florence took place this morning in St. Agnes Church. Crowds of people followed the body from the Fifth-avenue Hotel to the church, inside of which every seat was occupied. Flowers were sent from all points, and the pall-bearers were Edwin Booth, A. M. Palmer, William Winter, Charles N. Vilas, C. F. Feary, Clayton McMichael and John G. Thompson.

The ceremonies were unusually beautiful and impressive, and at their conclusion the body was taken to the Woodland Cemetery.

Dry Placers. ELIZABETH (Col.), Nov. 23.--Gold has been found in dry creeks in the vicinity of this city. In early days, when prospectors passed over this district, slight traces of gold were found, but the scarcity of water prevented them from continuing their search.

Recently a number of men devoted their time to a search for gold, and last week they found it in a small creek not far from this place. Water was conveyed to the ground by means of ditches, and work was commenced with a view to the recovery of a quantity of gold. E. C. Loper and Jess Hand then started on the ground in earnest. They made sluices and in sixty hours took out about a ton of gold in coarse grains and almost pure.

Daring Thieves. MINNEAPOLIS (Minn.), Nov. 23.--A daring daylight robbery was attempted at the West Hotel this morning. Shortly after 7 o'clock, two well-dressed men entered the room of W. A. Crawford, a guest, and were going through his clothes, when he awoke and began shouting for help.

The thieves fled, but one of them fired three shots at him. Though pursued by a number of the employes of the hotel, the men escaped.

An Insane Woman's Death. ST. MARYS (Ohio), Nov. 23.--While temporarily insane to-day Mrs. Charles Hofflinger threw a cup of hot lye in her husband's face, blinding him, and then she fatally injured him with a hatchet. She then cut her own throat with a razor. Both are dying.

Mrs. Barnaby's Death. DENVER, Nov. 23.--Argument on the application of Dr. Gray charged with poisoning Mrs. Josephine Barnaby Providence, was heard by Judge Rising to-day. He reversed his decision.

Mother Goose. Mother Goose was no myth, as is commonly supposed, but an actual individual, age 2 Mrs. Goose, who resided in Boston at the beginning of the eighteenth century. Her name was known to the following title: "Songs for Nursery or Mother Goose's Melodies for Children. House, Pudding Lane, 175, Price, 2 coppers." There is little doubt that this was the first edition of the work, which was printed in London in 1765 and Elizabeth Hoosoe as 1715, says the Inter-Ocean.

Curious Surgery. One singular fact is that the grip of an ant's leg is retained after the body has been bitten off, and nothing but the head can be removed. This knowledge is possessed by a certain tribe of Indians in Brazil, who put the ants to a very peculiar use. When an Indian gets a gash cut in his hand, instead of having it sewed together, as physicians do in this country, he procures five or six ants, and holding their heads near the gash, they bring their jaws together in biting the flesh, and thus put the two sides of the gash together. Then the Indian pinches off the bodies of the ants, and leaves their heads clinging to the flesh, which is held together until the wound is perfectly healed.

STEAMER FOUNDERED.

The Collier San Pedro Strikes on the Rocks Near Victoria.

NO LIVES LOST, BUT THE STEAMER GOES TO THE BOTTOM.

Train Robbers Foiled in an Attempt to Hold Up the Los Angeles Express at Pixley--Fatal Accident on a Logging Train--Costly Fire at Copperopolis.

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VICTORIA (B. C.), Nov. 23.--At about 9:30 o'clock last night the large collier steamer San Pablo ran on the rocks about a quarter of a mile from the entrance to Victoria harbor.

The vessel was bound from Comox to San Francisco, with 5,000 tons of coal on board from the Wellington mines. Divers were sent down to investigate and reported that the starboard strake for thirty feet had been torn away. The water poured in in spite of the pumps. A large force of longshoremen were at once put to work throwing the cargo into the sea, and at noon many tons were discharged over the side. The ship then settled and rolled to port, burying herself under the water.

The bow alone remained above the water. Many of the workmen had a narrow escape from being drowned, when the attempt to lighten the ship was abandoned.

IVETT'S MURDER. One of the Witnesses on Trial for Alleged Perjury.

MONESTO, Nov. 23.--The trial of J. F. Blanchard, charged with committing perjury in the August Olsen murder case at Merced in May last, was commenced in the Superior Court this morning.

All day was occupied in selecting a jury, and nine were secured when the panel was exhausted, and a special venire of ten was made returnable at 10 o'clock to-morrow. The defendant is represented by Gould and McCabe of Merced, Samuel Hamilton of Los Angeles, and W. H. Blanton of this city. The prosecution is represented by District Attorney R. E. Fowler of Merced, and General J. R. Kirtland of this city.

The case is charged from Merced on a charge of venue on account of alleged bias and feeling in that community over the acquittal of Olsen. A large number of witnesses from Los Angeles, Blanchard's home, and La Grange and Snelling, near the scene of the murder of old John Ivett, are in attendance. The jurors have been ordered to lock up. The case will probably be a long one and hotly contested.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

Hoisting Works of the Union Mine at Copperopolis Burned.

COPPEROPOLIS, Nov. 23.--The hoisting works, together with the store room, blacksmith shop and 100 feet of shed on No. 2 shaft, owned by the Union Copper Mining Company at this place, was totally destroyed by fire last night. The fire was discovered coming through the roof on the changing-room. There were forty men in the shaft at the time. All escaped through the north shaft. The calm night saved the town from total destruction. The timbers in the shaft are now burning, but the underground works are said to have been saved. Mr. Ross, the Superintendent, says the loss will be about \$30,000, partly insured.

The citizens of Copperopolis are very blue, for if the works should be destroyed, it will be a hard blow to that prosperous camp, and will also take away a large trade from Milton.

BLEW INTO THE BARREL.

A Boy at San Jose Meets With a Fatal End.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 23.--Robert Harney, aged 13, met with a frightful accident about five miles above Smith's Creek Sunday. He had shot his gun and was cleaning it preparatory to going hunting. There being a charge of powder in one of the barrels, he undertook to get it out in a peculiar way. He had been told once by another boy that in a case of this kind the proper way was to blow down the barrel and place the tube in fire. The powder would then burn out through the nipple like the lighted end of a broken live-rod.

Young Harney tried the experiment, and the result was that the charge was fired down his throat. The palate was shattered and the muscles set to torn. He was brought to San Jose and taken to Oakland, where his father, William Harney, resides. His chances of recovery are doubtful.

TRAIN ROBBERIES FOILED.

A Bold Attempt to Hold Up the Los Angeles Express.

Well-Known Lady Dead.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 23.--Mrs. Sarah E. Royce, a well-known pioneer lady of California, died in this city this evening at the age of 82 years.

Branch Road Completed. SANTA ANA, Nov. 23.--The Santa Ana and Westminster Railroad, in connection with the Santa Ana and Newport Railroads, has been completed.

Leeds is Engaged. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23.--This afternoon J. S. Leeds was engaged as Manager of the California Traffic Association, at a meeting of the Executive Committee, at which Mr. Leeds was present, and was introduced to the members.

Feasting the Dukes. SAN JOSE, Nov. 23.--The Sainte Claire Club this evening gave a "high jinks" in honor of the San Jose pennant-winning ball-players. The evening directors, many of them, were present and the banquet was a success.

REVENUE MARINE.

THE SERVICE GROWING AND NEW VESSELS ARE NEEDED.

Captain Shepard, Chief of the Division, Makes Some Recommendations--Cruisers for the Pacific Coast.

Special to the RECORD-UNION. WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.--Captain Shepard, Chief of the Revenue Marine Division, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Treasury says that the thirty-six vessels in commission during this year have done a large amount of work.

The revenue cutters, furthermore, rendered material service to the Life-Saving Service during the year, and rescued from drowning twenty-six persons. Captain Shepard says that during the past year the work of the service has been of a more ordinary character, many of which dealt with issues of an international nature, requiring nicety of judgment. All sea duty was special in character and distinct from the routine of the service, and the prompt and efficient manner in which it was performed reflects credit to the credit of both the officers and crew.

Captain Shepard details the work of the various cutters of particular interest during the year. He recommends that a proclamation prohibiting the sale to the natives of Alaska of breech-loading arms should be issued. The demand for the very lives of those people dependent on the success they meet in hunting, and their present unreliable weapons being so scarce, the proclamation issued would be of great benefit.

There is also urgent need for the proper maintenance of the service. The rapidly increasing number of cutters on the Pacific Coast and Puget Sound; the large number of Chinese unlawfully landing and the enormous quantities of opium smuggled into the United States from contiguous foreign territory, and the additional services demanded of the revenue cutters, all demand new and more efficient services.

The vessels at present on duty when first put into commission filled the requirements of the service. It is necessary to meet the enlarged duties of the service. The policy of making extensive repairs to the old vessels is a mistaken one.

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MINNEAPOLIS GETS IT.

Republican Convention Will Not Be at San Francisco.

THE SPEECHES, WINE AND CAJOLERY WENT FOR NAUGHT.

New York and Cincinnati Make a Strong Fight for the Convention, Too--Death of Governor Hovey of Indiana--A Trunkful of Dynamite Explodes on a Train.

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MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 23.--There was bustle and confusion at the Arlington Hotel this morning before the meeting of the Republican National Convention. The members of the delegations have prepared themselves for a presentation to the committee of the superior merits of their respective cities, and were engaged in canvassing the list of committeemen and holding up the hopes of their delegations. Messrs. McKinley and Foraker were conspicuous among the many persons thronging the lobbies and corridors, and were everywhere greeted with marked consideration. The members of the committee itself were slow in getting together. Eleven o'clock was the hour appointed for the meeting, but at that time not more than one dozen members were present in the hall. By 11:30 o'clock the doors were closed upon all but the members, and the committee held a secret session.

The committee was called together by acting Chairman Clarkson, every State and Territory being represented, except New Mexico, whose delegate was detained on a delayed train.

The first business was the acceptance of the resignations of Chairman Quay and Cassius M. Bradley. The resignation of the latter was accepted by the Executive Committee last summer, when the resignations were presented, were laid before the committee and unanimously adopted. The action of the committee in naming J. S. Clarkson of Iowa as Chairman and W. C. Barbour of New York, Treasurer, was approved.

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Treasury Officers Active. CHICAGO, Nov. 23.--Reports of establishment of illicit distilleries along the Dakota and Minnesota border, together with continued and numerous violations of the Chinese Exclusion Act, have caused the Treasury Department to take more decided measures against these illegal practices. The Department has decided on a change in the location of operations along the northwestern border are shifted from Chicago to St. Paul, and Special Agent J. J. Crowley, who had much experience in that class of work, has been placed in charge of the territory covering Minnesota, the Dakotas, Montana and Idaho. Crowley will assume his new duties December 1st next.

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with the Alliance movement, but the convention in Minneapolis would go far to reduce the region.

Senator Casey and M. N. Johnson of North Dakota favored Minneapolis. Judge C. R. Scott of Omaha spoke for that city. He ridiculed the other competitors. Governor Casey of Iowa, after the West had elected Blaine and San Francisco had nothing beyond except Chicago, Chicago was rapacious to get the World Fair. The West was set to help get the National Republican Convention in 1892. The West has been given enough to believe this, and voted for Chicago on the one condition that the convention it would be a case of dignified larceny, and she should not go unwhipped of justice.

Senator Johnson of Nebraska and Senator Carr of Wyoming also spoke for Omaha. Carr said it was the gateway of the new empire of the West and North. There would not be any States next time for President, and they should be stimulated by the convention to become Republicans surely. J. M. Thurston also pleaded for Omaha. After 1894, he said, the Republicans of the West would no longer ask for conventions, but would be masters of the situation, politically.

The claims of New York were next presented, Elliott F. Shepperd being the first speaker. He dwelt on the accommodations New York would furnish, and said she had no candidate to push up. All would have an equal chance. San Francisco was his second choice. San Francisco City would furnish the accommodations, party two-thirds of its sinews of war. The spirit of the Democratic tiger must be met, defeated and caged, else the tiger will eat up the country. It had taken New York and was now after the balance of the United States. The convention in New York would make the Democratic power falter.

Senator Hiseock spoke warmly for New York. There is no vacation for New York Republicans, he said, they must fight to save the State from the enemy, and the convention meant much to them. Senator Hawley of Connecticut also spoke for New York, and Mr. Fassett closed the case for New York. There was not an atom of force that could afford to be despised. New York State never but twice failed to give its vote for the Republican ticket, and on two of those occasions the grand Republican of them all had been defeated. [Great cheering for Blaine.] The convention in New Mexico, whose delegate was detained on a delayed train.

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EXIT DICTATOR FONSECA.

The Insurgency Became Too Formidable and He Surrendered.

HE MAKES AN ATTEMPT, HOWEVER, TO NAME HIS SUCCESSOR.

Rio de Janeiro Joins in the Revolution Suddenly, and the Result is Disastrous to the Dictator--Influenza Again Raging in Europe--France and Russia Co-operating.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

LONDON, Nov. 23.--Dispatches from Rio Janeiro this afternoon bring intelligence that the opposition to Fonseca has gathered sufficient force to break through the barriers and make itself master of the situation.

All that is known is that the uprising was so formidable that Fonseca considered it impossible to longer maintain the ascendancy and surrendered his authority.

In "resigning," as he called it, he declared that he did so in favor of Floriano Peixoto, Vice-President or Vice-Chief of the provisional Government, of which Fonseca was the head. Whether the opposition will be content to allow Peixoto, about whom little is known, to assume the leadership of the State is not known, but it is not believed that he will be permitted to act as Chief Executive, even temporarily, unless he is in sympathy with the revolutionary movement.

Rio Janeiro is in a state of great excitement, but the reports do not indicate mob law or serious disorder. The uprising, however, has the effect of putting a stop to the time being all kinds of business. The news that Fonseca had resigned spread through the city like wildfire, and was everywhere greeted with enthusiastic cheers and exclamations of satisfaction.

The provinces have not yet been heard from, but it is believed the news of the Dictator's downfall will everywhere be received with the same satisfaction as at the Capital.

The revolution at Rio de Janeiro only broke out this morning, and its work was quickly accomplished.

FRENCH MINERS.

Willing to Arbitrate, But Want to Select the Arbitrators.

PARIS, Nov. 23.--The miners met yesterday to consider the proposition of the Government that three mining engineers, nominated by the State, should arbitrate upon the issues between the striking miners and their employers. The meeting was held at Lens, and in addition to the 132 delegates, an immense number of miners and their families were assembled in the place to learn the decision arrived at. Mr. Basky presided, and eventually leaned to the acceptance of the Government proposals.

Notwithstanding this, and the earnest advocacy of the Government proposal by several of the speakers, the delegates voted not to accept it. They were virtually unanimous as to the soundness of the principle of arbitration, and in favor of the strike should be submitted to arbitrators, but they insisted on nominating the arbitrators themselves, and chose five miners for the normal weekly thought that there is a very slight prospect of the mine-owners agreeing to this form of arbitration, one of them stated that it was altogether one-sided.

INFLUENZA AGAIN.

LONDON, Nov. 23.--The influenza is spreading in France and Germany. The epidemic has closed several schools in the department of Gers, France, and one school in Paris. It has extended all over Berlin, where it is spreading rapidly. It is with many others, has succumbed to the disease. It is also prevalent in Posen and West Prussia. The death rate in Hamburg is 219 a week, and the average is 100 a week. The increase is chiefly due to influenza.

ALARM AT HAMBURG.

HAMBURG, Nov. 23.--The number of deaths in the past week was 219 above the average, and there is no present sign of any abatement to the epidemic. The symptoms are the same as in many respects similar to those of the grippe. As to the origin of the disease, some claim that it was brought here from the United States, and others claim that it is not known to have reached America for some time past. The authorities incl