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A DAY OF TERROR.

FROM THE MOUNTAINS TOWARDS THE SEA THE STORM-KING SWEPT IN FURY.

THE STORM OF SUNDAY THE 17TH THE GREATEST EVER KNOWN ALONG BAYANNAH RIVER.

Stones and Trees Blown Down—Fruit and Crops Destroyed—Hull 16-17 Inches in Circumference—Two Persons Killed—Whitaker and Several Others Severely Wounded.

THE STORM RISES IN HART COUNTY, GA.

Three hail storms occurred up in Reed Creek District in this county on Sunday, Dr. Mathews, who was up in that section, brought a bucket of hailstones to town with him. He says the ground was covered to the depth of two or three inches in places. The hailstones were measured by him in diameter when first gathered. They were fully an inch and a half in diameter when he arrived in town, and the storm was fully eight miles from here. One of the most destructive hail storms near Mr. K. W. Adams, near the mouth of the river, was fully an inch and a half in diameter when first gathered. They were fully an inch and a half in diameter when he arrived in town, and the storm was fully eight miles from here. One of the most destructive hail storms near Mr. K. W. Adams, near the mouth of the river, was fully an inch and a half in diameter when first gathered. They were fully an inch and a half in diameter when he arrived in town, and the storm was fully eight miles from here.

cut to pieces and the ground strewn with boughs and leaves of trees, clipped off by the wind. Some of the trees were blown down as large as a man's fist, and scattered through the fields of corn like mince balls, cutting large stalks, an inch in diameter, to the ground, and strewing the fields with them until the fields looked as if the trees had been uprooted and hurled with violence against houses and fences. At the sixteen mile post a freight car was

BLOWN FROM THE TRACK.
The hail stones, which came down as thick as rain drops, penetrated into the houses through the cracks, and in one instance that we heard of through the blinds. It is said that at one place a bushel of hail stones were gathered from the Georgia side of the storm struck Mr. Thomas Wynn's place, near the mouth of the river, and in a moment his large cotton gin manufactory

FELL BEFORE THE WIND.
Burying beneath the ruins a quantity of valuable machinery and forty new gins. One of the buildings, which was a two story wooden structure, was blown by 40 feet wide, was blown out feet long by 40 feet across the creek, a distance of about twenty yards. The gins, which were blown down, were valued at one hundred dollars each. Mr. Wynn says he may be able to construct one gin from the wreck of every three, but it is impossible as yet to say, as everything is buried beneath the debris of the buildings. Besides the destruction of the manufactory, Mr. Wynn suffered considerably from the molition of his crop and fencing. Cotton and corn were cut down even with the stalks. Fencing was blown a distance of forty feet from the mill. Mr. Wynn and his wife had not been riding, and had just arrived at home when

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Mr. Wynn was in the stable unharmed, and Mrs. Wynn was in the dwelling. In an instant the tornado struck the place with its fury. Three huge trees were uprooted, and fell between the stable and the house. Mr. and Mrs. Wynn, separated by these barriers, each thought the other had been killed, until the storm subsided sufficiently for Mr. Wynn to see his wife. A carriage, which was in the yard, was demolished. Mr. Wynn estimates his loss at \$8,000 to \$9,000. He is left without means in his old age, and will be obliged to leave the debris of his factory and put up temporary structures unless he receives assistance. He will be thankful for any aid either in provisions or labor.

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Over again, and plan for it, as he does not consider it worth while to leave the remains of the corn and cotton. Messrs. Geraty & Armstrong, who have a place near the locks, lost considerably by the storm. The crops were badly cut up and several houses were blown down, including a barn.

CROSSING THE RIVER THE STORM PLAYED HAVOC IN THE CURRYTOWN SETTLEMENT.
Several plantations were devastated. On Dr. Stiles' place, near the mouth of the river, cotton, corn and fruit destroyed. Rev. J. P. Mealing, Dr. Hudson, Mrs. John Mealing and others were visited by the storm and their crops destroyed. The storm did not spare anything, and even through shingles. The old man, however, declares that such a storm was not so frequent in this section. We are informed that

A WAGON LOAD OF ICE.
Could have been obtained from a single place in the storm. The fall of hail at Batesburg, S. C., two cars were blown over and trees and crops destroyed. Mr. Geo. W. Crane's farm, about eight miles from Augusta, on the Georgia side of the river, was the track of the storm. The crops were blown down, and many houses blown over and glass smashed.

A CITIZEN OF AUGUSTA WHO WAS AT THE LOCKS WHEN THE STORM PASSED, says the hail stones were as large as a man's fist, and as large as a man's fist. He picked up one, but it is in his handkerchief and brought it to Augusta, and it was still as large as a partridge egg, several hours after it had fallen. At Mr. Brook's, near Bel-Air, chickens were killed by the hail. The dwelling and kitchen form an L, and the space between them was filled up with ice. There is no doubt that the hail was very heavy, and lightning and very loud thunder. It is impossible at this time to estimate the full amount of the damage. The total loss from destruction of crops, however, is certainly very large. —*Chronicle and Constitutionalist of 11th Inst.*

FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE WIND AND HAIL.
From every portion of the devastated regions came saddening details of Sunday's cyclone. At Mr. Henry Merrey's place, in Berzella, the clouds, deep and angry, came from the southeast and proceeded in a westerly direction, and in a few minutes after they had passed, a deafening roar. So complete was the rapid work that fields of corn, which but a few minutes before gave every promise of a heavy yield, were cut down and stripped of their blades, cotton plants were uprooted, and many fields require close examination to show that anything at all had been planted.

spring, expecting to realize some money from the sale of them. Help from the merchants of Augusta and from all friends and neighbors would be most opportune at this time. It seems to be the belief of the people here that the origin of the storm that struck upon the 17th of June, on the southeast and one from the northwest, the clouds and winds colliding in the north-easterly and north-westerly directions.

AROUND BAY. At the places of Mr. Fisk, Mr. A. E. Wright, Maj. Joe Hill and Mrs. Wynn were seriously damaged.

IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.
The storm played great havoc in Washington county. The crops, which the day before were unexpectantly good, were in many cases entirely destroyed. We learn that the fields which were in the tasseling and silking stage are now as bare as they were in mid-winter. Orchards have been stripped of their foliage. In some instances the storm destroyed the trees and the fruit was either partially injured. Hail stones, varying in size from that of a buckshot to a goose egg, were picked up after the storm was over. Some of the trees in the neighborhood of the creek were literally ruined, fruit was beaten from the trees and uncultivated much damaged, by being tangled and beaten out of the country. The hail stones were visited, on some days by a terrific wind of rain, uprooting and blowing down numbers of trees. A great deal of fencing was also blown down. In every case the hail was very heavy, and we have heard, there were many cases in which the hail was as large as a child's head. The glass in the windows of the dwelling of C. R. Riddle, who said to have been struck by the hail, and his crop almost utterly ruined. Messrs. J. Holmes, Minor, Bass, J. Rogers, Eben Smith, Thomas B. Wm. and Enoch and Mrs. Nancy Smith and many other have suffered severely. Loss in his corn crop alone at 1,000 bushels. About 3 p. m. of the same day another cloud formed, near the same point where the storm first broke, and moved northward across the river, and in some instances blowing down small houses and outbuildings. Fences were blown across and trees were uprooted and piled up in the streets. The storm was very serious, damage to the crops and property being very heavy. This cloud also poured out hail in tremendous quantities.

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