

DEATH AND UTTER RUIN

Cedar Keys, Fla., Is Swept Away by the Awful Tornado.

THE CALAMITY OF VAST MAGNITUDE.

Fifty Persons Killed and Thrice as Many More or Less Injured.

TWENTY NEIGHBORING TOWNS WRECKED.

For Thirty-Six Hours It Has Been Impossible to Establish Com- munication.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 30.—A special from Jacksonville, Fla., to the Constitution says:

The West Indian hurricane which entered Florida at Cedar Keys yesterday morning and swept through the southern part in a northeasterly direction left death and destruction in its path. Owing to the prostration of telegraph wires and delay to trains, due to washouts, only meager reports have been received, and yet, meager as these reports are, they show that over twenty towns and villages have been wrecked and forty or fifty persons have been killed, while probably thrice as many more received wounds more or less serious. About 4 o'clock in the morning the hurricane, which had been churning the sea, left the water and swooped down upon Cedar Keys, a town of 1500 inhabitants. Thirty-six hours have elapsed since the storm struck Cedar Keys, but not one word has been received directly from that

place as to the damage done or the number of lives lost. No persons have been able to reach there, because the tracks are covered with heavy timber.

The only report from Cedar Keys comes by way of Gainesville, fifty miles northeast of the place, and is to the effect that Cedar Keys has been swept away and many persons killed and injured.

This report reached Gainesville by courier from Williston, which is twenty miles north of Cedar Keys. The report is hardly exaggerated, as Cedar Keys was directly in the path of the hurricane and received its full force as it leaped raging from the gulf.

After demolishing Cedar Keys the storm, moving in a northeasterly direction, struck Williston, a village of 400 inhabitants. At that place eleven houses were wrecked, one person was killed and fifteen injured.

Near Williston is a large turpentine farm on which many State convicts are employed. Twenty of these convicts were huddled in a cabin across which the storm blew a great tree, crushing six of the inmates.

Leaving Levy County* the hurricane dashed across Alachua, one of the most populous counties in the State, where a number of persons were killed and many more severely injured.

At Fort White, in Columbia County, it is reported that six persons were killed, but the report has not been confirmed. From Columbia County the hurricane dashed across Duval, its edge striking Jacksonville, but doing little damage and causing no loss of life.

In Nassau County, however, just north of Jacksonville, the hurricane seemed to gather additional force and did awful work.

At Boulgong, the schoolhouse, in which were over thirty children, was wrecked and five children killed. Miss Ada Stewart, the teacher, escaped with a broken arm. Lillia Raines, a 12-year-old girl, ran from the schoolhouse just before it collapsed and hastened to her home. As she entered the house it was wrecked and the child was killed. Harry Johnson, who was with her, was also killed and Mrs. Raynes was fatally injured.

At Hilliards the schoolhouse was wrecked and four children were killed.

At Kings Ferry, on the St. Marys River, Andy Johnson, Moses Adler, Simon Henderson, Mary Jones and her child, all negroes, were killed.

Mrs. Fisher was nursing a sick child and the infant died as the house collapsed. The mother escaped.

Two schooners, loading lumber at King's Ferry, were blown from their moorings, and landed in a marsh, three of the sailors being killed.

From Nassau county the hurricane passed into Georgia, destroying a logging

settlement in Camden County, just across the line, killing four people.

Folkston, Ga., near the Florida line, was also struck, the schoolhouse being wrecked and four children killed. It is impossible to accurately estimate the property loss of Florida, but conservative men say it will exceed \$2,000,000.

At Lacrosse fifteen buildings were destroyed. Rev. W. A. Barr, Mrs. F. F. McIntosh and her baby are reported killed. Near there four laborers, who were in a cabin at the turpentine farm, were crushed by falling trees. Newberry, in West Alachua, is totally wrecked.

C. J. Eastlin, Mrs. Nancy Oimstead and David Jones were killed. At High Springs, Melissa Harden, Jane Morris and Sallie Nobles, colored women, are reported to have been killed.

At this place a number of people took refuge in a boxcar which was in the path of the cyclone. It was blown along the track and then off a distance of fifty feet, and every person in it was badly injured. Steve Mason and George Johnson have since died.

At Grady, a small place, twelve houses were blown down. A woman was killed, but a babe at her breast was unhurt, although it had been carried some distance by the force of the wind.

At Lake Butler, Bradford County, C. H. Harker, Mrs. J. M. Futch and her infant were fatally hurt. Many buildings were blown down. At this place the wind blew the tops of two cars off and killed a negro named Henry Mullin.

On Judge Richard's turpentine farm four convicts were killed by falling trees. In Baker County four towns were almost totally destroyed. They are McClenny, Sanderson, Glen St. Mary and Otustee.

No one was killed outright in these towns, but many were injured, among whom were Mrs. C. S. Richardson, James McAlpin and North Webster, all of whom will die.

At Live Oak the destruction is complete, but no loss of life is reported.

ELEVEN DEATHS AT SAVANNAH.

Reports From Surrounding Sections Will Swell the Toll.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 30.—The fatalities by yesterday's storm so far foot up eleven. The body of Captain Charles E. Murray, of the ill-fated tug Robert Turner, which was blown ashore in the Savannah River, was found to-day. It was brought to the city by a rescue tug. Later the body of one of the deckhands was picked up by the United States revenue steamer Tybee, which has been on relief duty since the storm subsided.

James McClure, a passenger on the Turner, and two deckhands are still missing. Fanny Jackson (colored), who was

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WHITE-CATOR YOKE IS THRUST ASIDE

Democrats of Los Angeles Will Not Be Whipped Into Line.

REFUSE TO BE TRADED.

State Committee Again Asked to Demand the Senator's Resignation.

HIS PAST RECORD REVIEWED.

The Combine Formed to Capture Two Senators Is Bitterly Denounced.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE CALL,
328 South Broadway,
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 30.

Alva Udell, secretary of the provisional committee for the reorganization of the Los Angeles Democracy, has addressed the following letter to the Democratic State Central Committee:

To the Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee:—In a recent letter I advised you that the provisional committee for the reorganization of the Los Angeles Democracy had resolved that the State Committee, of which you are chairman, be respectfully requested by appropriate action to call for the resignation of Stephen M. White as United States Senator, to the end that a Democratic Governor may appoint a worthy Democrat to fill the vacancy thus created. We again insist upon such action by your committee. If godlessness consists in being incontinent then Stephen M. White is godless indeed. He was a member of the Congressional District Convention that recently nominated H. W. Patton as a candidate for Congress in this district. After the convention had elected 30 ballots in a tie vote for two other candidates, Mr. Patton was named as a means of dissolving the deadlock. When his name was mentioned his opponents in the convention suggested Charles A. Barlow as the most available candidate. It was then that Mr. White said before his conferees a true word picture of his socialistic ambition.

In measured language the Senator denounced Barlow in the most vehement terms; yet this same Stephen M. White, wholly disregarding his duty as a Democrat, if he be one, and unmindful of the obligation he owes to the Democracy, has since brought Mr. Barlow before a county convention of the late Democratic party of this county, and insisted that it was the duty of all good Democrats in this district to support Mr. Barlow for Charles A. Barlow, notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Barlow did not profess to be a Democrat.

The Senator to one set of delegates substantially declared that Barlow is unworthy of confidence, and then, in less than thirty days, presents Mr. Barlow to another set of delegates, saying in substance that Barlow is good enough for sincere Democrats to vote for.

As Barlow is the fawning protégé of T. V. Cator, whose henchmen demand that White support the socialistic nominee, the Senator takes his political medicine, says it is the best that can be had, and declares that Barlow is his candidate for Congress. It, therefore, becomes painfully evident that Senator White and his henchmen are purposely aiding Cator and his faction of socialists to humiliate the Democracy, and that neither will permit anything to stand in the way of the deal by which Cator and "Out Steve" are trying to elect each other to the United States Senate.

This pair of intriguing statesmen have an obedient servant in Charles A. Barlow, who in this city has recently declared that, if elected to Congress, he would be directed by the paramount wisdom of the Senator from Los Angeles. Mr. White is professedly a Democrat, and a Cleveland cuckoo until he got the Federal offices in California. Mr. Cator is a Populist, a socialist, a nationalist, a revolutionist, or anything else to get into the United States Senate; and both hope to succeed by fusion and machine manipulation of the Populists and Democratic parties.

The greater intellect of the State, the em-

inent jurists and publicists among our distinguished men, the more profound of the towering statesmen of our commonwealth, are to be turned down, to give place and position to this pair of intriguing politicians. The Senatorial election hangs upon the throw of their loaded dice. The game is made and, without reference to the question of fitness, capability or other qualifications necessary to a proper and honorable discharge of their official duties, the socialistic candidates from Congressmen down are programmed, and their socialistic bosses boldly announce to thousands of sincere and deserving Democrats: "It is heads we win and tails you lose."

In marked contrast to Mr. White as a consistent and veracious gentleman stands the organizer of the dying People's party, the Hon. Marion Cannon, who has retired from Congress to the tranquil pursuits of private life, but who will stand by the truth though the heavens fall. Mr. Cannon writes as follows: "When in 1892 I entered San Luis Obispo County on my campaign Mr. Barlow and his friends came to me and begged me to support him or he would be defeated for the Legislature. Some of my warmest friends were against him, as they claimed he could not be trusted to vote for Stephen M. White for Senator. I assured them that Barlow would not go back on his pledges, and they went to work for him and saved his election. He afterward acknowledged to me that I had secured his election and thanked me for it. After he was elected I wrote him that as the administration was Democratic I would have very little to say about the patronage in my six counties unless White was elected. But, with White as Senator, I might have some influence in regard to the Federal appointments to be made in the Sixth District, and for this reason I urged him not to go back on White. In his answer to that letter he wanted me to give him the appointments in San Luis Obispo County, which I could not and refused to do. I will place my word against his in this matter and the acknowledged fact that my campaign in my county secured his election. This fact is further strengthened by his defeat for Sheriff in 1894 by the same influence that elected him in 1892, although the People's party in State and county greatly increased in votes at the last election."

The truth of Mr. Cannon's statement can be corroborated by a cloud of witnesses in this Congressional district. But how did Charles A. Barlow keep his pledge? Any person who will take the pains to inform himself will in the San Francisco daily newspapers of January 19, 1893, learn that on the evening of the preceding day Mr. Barlow, with a number of other Populists, did in writing declare that the means by which Stephen M. White was elected United States Senator were "false and treacherous and an outrage, humiliating and disgraceful, and an infamous wrong to over a million of voters now struggling to enact measures which alone can save the Nation from terrible evil."

In view of such an arrangement, and knowing these things, Mr. White denounced Barlow in the severest terms that ingenuity could invent. But soon another sound is heard. The Cator henchmen whistle a different tune. The other Populists, did in writing declare that the means by which Stephen M. White was elected United States Senator were "false and treacherous and an outrage, humiliating and disgraceful, and an infamous wrong to over a million of voters now struggling to enact measures which alone can save the Nation from terrible evil."

Clearly there is method manifested in the selfish, unfaithful and desperate ambition of these socialistic politicians who have surrendered Democratic principles and betrayed the Democracy into the hands of men who are sought by the masked apostles of foreign gold. It is a game of guile and humbug, in which the politician, in the name of the people, plays a notorious part. He has invariably betrayed his party, humiliated his friends and imperiled the cause of his country by bringing men to his aid who were unreliable, unworthy of confidence and venal."

ALVA UDELL,
Secretary provisional committee for reorganization Los Angeles Democracy.
Los Angeles, Sept. 29, 1896.

CHLOROFORM AND DYNAMITE

Bold Methods Employed in a Railroad Hotel Robbery.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 20.—News was received here this morning of a crime of unusual boldness committed at the little village of Walls Station, situated on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, about fourteen miles east of this city. The affair took place last Saturday night or Sunday morning, but has been kept a secret in the hope that the guilty men might be captured.

The safe in the hotel at Walls Station was blown open with dynamite and nearly \$1000 in coin was secured. Before beginning operations on the safe the burglars chloroformed the twenty or more persons in the hotel to prevent interruption.

VICTORY FOR J. D. SPRECKELS

His Position Sustained by the State Committee Yesterday.

THE AUDITORIUM TICKET RECOGNIZED.

Order Evolved Out of Chaos and Harmony Restored in the Party Ranks.

JAMES W. REA'S DENUNCIATION OF THE EXAMINER.

The Committee Warns the People Against the Conspiracy of White and Cator to Elect Themselves.

WHEREAS, it is the presumption of law that official duty has been properly performed; and whereas, it is the legal duty of the Registrar of Voters of the City and County of San Francisco to file the certificate of nomination made by the regular Republican convention of this year when tendered; and whereas, pursuant to such duty he has filed the certificate of nominations of the Republican convention held at the Auditorium and which was called by the County Committee, of which Charles Manwaring Esq. is chairman and John Jackson Esq. is secretary, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Republican State Central Committee hereafter recognize the above-mentioned Republican convention and the Republican County Committee as the regular Republican organization of the City and County of San Francisco until such time as the presumption of law aforesaid be overcome by decision of a court of competent jurisdiction.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the State Central Committee at a meeting held in its rooms in the Palace Hotel yesterday afternoon.

It is a declaration that John D. Spreckels has won the fight which he has been making for months against pretended Republicans, who have been attempting to disrupt and disorganize the party, and thereby defeat its candidates, both local and National.

The practically unanimous decision of the State Central Committee, there being only one vote against it, that of Mr. Ruff, has evolved order out of chaos.

There is but one course for loyal Republicans to pursue. As the regular Republican party of this City bowed to the decision of the National Committee regarding the Fourth Congressional District Convention and are supporting the candidacy of Thomas B. O'Brien for Congress, so the people represented by Mr. Ruff should now acquiesce in the decision of the supreme governing body of the party, and as loyal Republicans, which they earnestly assert themselves to be, they should support the Republican party ticket.

Republicans will understand that this is purely a local controversy. It will result in bringing out every Republican voter in the City who will vote and work to carry California for McKinley.

Thomas B. O'Brien set a good example yesterday. He was around the committee-rooms telling the country delegates that the Auditorium convention was a legal body, according to right and precedent, and that its action should be sustained.

The decision of the State Central Committee is regarded on all sides as a triumph for decent politics and as the overthrow of a would-be faction, which thinks more of spoils than of party and more of office than of principle.

It is admitted that the committee could not have acted otherwise than it did. The Registrar, the highest official authority under the municipal government, had been obliged to place the nominees of the Auditorium convention on the official ballot, after advising with a score of the most eminent lawyers in the State. They all gave the opinion that the Auditorium convention was the only Republican convention and that its nominees were the regular Republican nominees.

Now that the matter has been decided not only by the Registrar, but by the State committee of the party, nothing remains to be done except for all Republicans to get behind the ticket and work loyally for its success.

The Citizens' Committee and the representatives of the State Committee met in the headquarters at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, Irving B. Dudley of San Diego in the chair. The following were present: Citizens' Committee—A. Scott,

Horse Davis, P. N. Lillenthal, M. H. Hecht, Louis Sloss, A. L. Brown, A. Dunham, W. Baker, A. J. Ralston, F. W. Van Sicklen.

From the State Committee—Irring B. Dudley, from San Diego, Allen B. Lemmon of Santa Rosa, George Bryce of Humboldt, S. N. Anderson of Los Angeles, N. W. Boyd of Mono, Frank L. Coombs of Napa, George C. Ross of San Mateo, H. A. Averill of Santa Barbara, L. J. Duke of Santa Cruz, J. L. Reed of Lake County.

J. Alva Watt, representing the Auditorium convention, appeared before the joint committee and read the following resolutions, adopted at the meeting of the Republican County Committee on the evening before:

WHEREAS, the County Committee of the City and County of San Francisco did on the 10th day of September, 1896, issue a call for a primary election to elect delegates to a Republican municipal, legislative and judicial convention to be held on the 22d day of September, 1896, for the purpose of nominating candidates for all the county, municipal, legislative and judicial offices to be filled at the election to be held November 3, 1896; and whereas, a primary election was held in accordance with said call and delegates were elected to said convention; and whereas, the delegates so elected met in convention on the 22d day of September, 1896, at Auditorium Hall, and thereafter nominated candidates for all the offices aforesaid; and whereas, a certain certificate of the nominations so made has been regularly made and presented to the Registrar of Voters for filing; and whereas, the said Registrar of Voters, after due and careful consideration, has recognized the tickets, both municipal and legislative, and has issued the Republican ticket in and for the City and County of San Francisco, and has accordingly filed the same, and the said ticket is the Republican ticket in and for the City and County of San Francisco; and whereas, the regularity of said election, and the validity of said ticket in question at a meeting of the Republican State Central Committee this day held; and whereas, James Alva Watt appeared at said meeting as the representative of said convention and of this committee; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Republican County Committee fully indorses and approves the position assumed at said meeting by our representative, James Alva Watt.

Resolved, That we cordially invite the cooperation and assistance of the so-called "Kelly-Mahoney Municipal Convention" in their efforts for the election of the National, Congressional, judicial, municipal and legislative, and extend assurances of that recognition which all Republicans true to the party are entitled to.

Resolved, That we unanimously request the State Central Committee to sustain and uphold us in our work for the National, Congressional, judicial, municipal and legislative ticket.

Resolved, That we unanimously decline to permit our representatives to withdraw or modify the ticket nominated by the Republican convention called into existence by this committee.

Resolved, That this committee hereby pledges its earnest and unceasing efforts to sustain Major McLaughlin (chairman) and the State Central Committee to return the electoral vote of this State for McKinley and Hobart.

The foregoing resolutions were adopted at a special meeting of the Republican County Committee of the City and County of San Francisco at the committee-rooms, 850 Market street, at 8:30 o'clock, Tuesday evening, September 29, 1896, at which there were present thirty-three out of thirty-six members, and the vote for the adoption of the same was as follows: Ayes—Albert Houston, James Daly, John Browning, F. Hagenman, C. Berliner, E. E. Wallace, Charles Clear, William Smadke, R. W. Heilman, J. Ahern, James Gately, John Jackson, R. Schueter, I. H. Thompson, John E. Dare, Alonzo Davidson, J. A. Watt, T. E. McCarty, Grove P. Ayers, John L. Koster, A. Louderback, Charles Bristgenstein, Jesse E. Marks, David Short, E. J. Casey, J. M. Christen, H. N. Gray, P. J. Walsh, John Lachman, G. Beigeluppi, Philip Krausgrill, Thomas Chandley, Harry Lewis.

Noes—None.

Absent—Charles Manwaring, F. J. Conn, C. C. Clinch.

In witness whereof we, the vice-chairman and the secretary of the Republican County Committee, met at the headquarters of our committee, 29th day of September, 1896.

JOHN M. CHRISTEN, Vice-Chairman,
JOHN JACKSON, Secretary.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the State Central Committee held a session at which the report of the joint sub-committees was received.

The report of the committee was as follows:

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., September 30, 1896.

To the Honorable the Republican State Central Committee of California—GENTLEMEN: Your sub-committee appointed for the purpose of endeavoring to suggest a method of compromise between the opposing factions in the City and



THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AND ITS FOES.