

TWO GREAT SPEECHES.

Senator Voorhees and Judge Morton of Kentucky Before the Phil Thompson Jury.

The recent great speech delivered by Senator Voorhees of Indiana in the Johnson murder case at Greenville, Tenn., was very similar to his efforts in defense of Congressman Phil Thompson, tried at Harrodsburg, Ky., some years ago, for the killing of Walter Davis for the alleged seduction of defendant's wife. The two cases were almost identical, although the provocation for Johnson to commit homicide was much greater than in the Thompson-Davis tragedy. Senator Voorhees was followed at the conclusion of his vindication of Thompson by Judge J. R. Morton, now circuit judge of the Lexington (Ky.) district, in a speech, which, for elegance of diction, force of illustration and argument, has probably never been excelled in this country. Mr. Morton represented the prosecution—the wife and children, and friends of the slain—while the Tall Sycamore's plea was in behalf of the slayer. Senator Voorhees dwelt at some length on the sanctity of home and the inviolate nature of the domestic relations. He quoted holy writ to show that the adulterer must die, and concluded with a touchingly beautiful peroration in which he declared that Phil Thompson, by shooting Walter Davis, not only maintained his honor and that of his family, but pursued the proper course and represented the highest type of Christian civilization. The address of the eloquent Hoosier statesman made a profound impression upon the judge, jury, and crowded court-room, and when he heard the hum of admiration was seated on all sides. Then Judge J. R. Morton stood before the court. He was an insignificant looking limb of the law when contrasted with Voorhees. He began very calmly with a little anecdote, and as he proceeded with the story so impressive and appropriate to the case the reporters, of whom the writer was one, laid down their pencils in utter wonderment: the crowd listened with breathless attention, and the silence was so painful that everyone might almost hear his own heart throb. That illustration was a whole speech in itself, pronounced greater and more convincing to intelligent Christian men than all the skillful word-paintings of Senator Voorhees. It has often been a matter of regret that Judge Morton's prefatory anecdote was not published at the time. It has never been in type, but it is indelibly stamped upon the minds of those who heard it. The story was about as follows:

"Gentlemen of the jury: The learned lawyer and statesman from Indiana who has just addressed you has said with much vehemence that Phil Thompson in shooting Walter Davis vindicated his manhood, maintained the sanctity of his domestic life, and represents the highest type of Christian civilization. How can I better indicate my disapproval of such conclusions than by a story taken from real life? The hero of the story was indeed a hero; lived in New Orleans. He was an eminent lawyer and statesman. Among his richest blessings were a wife and three lovely children. In an evil hour his wife listened to the siren voice of a man other than her husband. He called about her his hellish meshes. She became a victim of his lust, and abandoned husband, children, all, to flee with her betrayer. The wronged husband did not follow the destroyer of his happiness and shoot him down like a dog. His home was blighted by the cruel scandal, but he bore his wrong like a Christian. Soon the erring wife was deserted by the villain who had ruined her, and on bent knees she sought her husband. He would not allow her to contaminate his pure life once more, but he kindly agreed to provide for her in a suitable retreat. His friends were no longer one of contentment and happiness. To blot out as far as possible the memory of the awful wrong, he sold all his property, with his children sailed for England, and is to-day the greatest lawyer in the English nation—that man was Judah P. Benjamin. Every year a liberal sum of money goes to the support of his wife, for no matter how badly she has acted, no matter how much reproach she has brought upon herself and those she loved, yet the husband never forgot that once she was his pure, loving, devoted wife, and was the mother of his children. Now, gentlemen of the jury, I appeal to you which of these two men, Phil Thompson or Judah P. Benjamin, typifies the highest Christian civilization?" It was with difficulty that the applause which greeted Mr. Morton's vivid simile could be suppressed. The rest of his speech, and, indeed, all the speeches, seemed tame and without flavor.

How Pale You Are!

Is frequently the exclamation of one lady to another. The fact is not a pleasant one to have mention, but still the fact may be a kindly one, for it tells the one addressed to thinking, appraises her of the fact that she is not in good health, and leads her to seek a reason therefor. A doctor is almost always attendant upon the first stages of consumption. The system is enfeebled, and the blood is impoverished. Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" will act as a tonic upon the system, will enrich the impoverished blood, and restore roses to the cheek.

SIGNAL OFFICE REPORT.

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The belt of normal rainfall passes through North Carolina to East Tennessee, thence northward to Central Ohio, thence northward to Southeastern Dakota, thence southward to Colorado and down the Rio Grande valley, south and east of this belt the rainfall has been in excess of the normal, except in Arkansas, where it is deficient. The greatest excess occurs in Southeastern Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi, being at Galveston, 19.8 inches; New Orleans, 9.3 inches; Vicksburg, 5.3 inches; Mobile, 4.2 inches; Shreveport, 2.4 inches. Another area of very great excess has covered Northern Florida and Georgia, being at Jacksonville, 12.4 inches; Savannah, 6.8 inches; Atlanta, 5.8 inches. Still another over the lower Ohio valley, Missouri and Eastern Kansas, being 6.3 inches at St. Louis; 4.1 inches at Leavenworth; 3.4 inches at Cincinnati; 2.4 inches at Dodge City.

Remarkably heavy rainfalls occurred at Galveston on the 4th and 5th, when nearly eight inches of water fell, and nearly eight inches on the 21st, the precipitation being in that period 15.4 inches. At Jacksonville a precipitation of over ten inches occurred from the 29th to the 31st; and at Lamar, Mo., 6.25 inches on

the 7th. An excess also exists in Western New York, and one of 2.1 inches in the Sacramento river valley; elsewhere in California the rainfall has been normal. The greatest deficiency has been in Northern Michigan and Wisconsin, being from three to four inches, while in the Middle Atlantic states it has been from two to three inches, and over Southern New England and in Northern Ohio from one to two inches.

The zone of normal temperature passes through Central Minnesota southward to Colorado, thence southward to the Texas coast; it also skirts the South Atlantic and east Gulf coast. North and east of this belt the temperature has been below the normal, except in Arkansas, where there has been a slight excess. The greatest deficiency, six degrees, occurs in New York. A departure below the normal of about four degrees exists in New England, the middle Atlantic states, and the upper Ohio valley. In Tennessee, the upper Mississippi valley, and the upper lake region the deficiency is from two to three degrees. On the Pacific coast, in the Rocky mountain region, and the Northwest an excess of from two to four degrees above the mean temperature has occurred.

During the month of September ten low barometric areas and ten high barometric areas have appeared within the United States and Canada. Five of these low or cyclonic areas developed unusual energy. The first occurred on the 2d near Lake Superior; the second during the 7th, 8th and 9th, passing from Kansas to New England. Incident to this cyclone occurred unusually severe gales on the lakes with much damage to shipping, and tornadoes in Ohio, which destroyed about a million dollars' worth of property, with the loss of six lives at Washington Court House, Ohio, on the 8th. Severe hurricanes occurred at the same time in Michigan, Indiana, and in Ohio. At many of these places there were torrential rains, and the North-west on the 7th, passing from Kansas to Minnesota. The other two energetic cyclones originated, respectively, in the west, on the 18th and in Manitoba on the 21st, developing unusual force and uniting over New England and the Gulf of Mexico.

The weather conditions in the Gulf states have been governed by the cyclonic disturbance in the Gulf of Mexico, which left on the 21st, and which caused excessive rains, especially on the Texas coast, and by another which hovered over the east Gulf from the 24th to the month's end, causing heavy rains in Florida and on the east Gulf coast, resulting in washouts. These abnormal rainfalls damaged the sugar, tobacco, and cotton crops to a very great extent.

The characteristic movement of the anti-cyclonic areas has been from the North Pacific or the northwest down the Missouri valley, then eastward to the Atlantic coast, then dividing, one portion moving over Maine and Nova Scotia, the other south to the Middle Atlantic coast, these divided areas hovering as permanent highs from the Carolinas to Nova Scotia. During the first part of the month this phenomenon occurred three successive times at intervals of five days, and was again repeated on the 24th, the movements and energy being almost identical.

A cool wave accompanied the high area of the 5th, advancing southward in an elongated oval extending from New England to Northern Texas. The most decided cool wave commenced moving from the Northwest on the 22d, extending from Lake Superior to Colorado, advancing southward to the Gulf and Atlantic coasts, disappearing on the 27th, another came from the Middle Atlantic coast and moved eastward over the Rocky mountain region and over the Missouri valley, there disappearing on the 27th; another slight cool wave overspread Dakota and the upper lake region during the 29th and 30th.

Frosts occurred in the Northwest from September 1 to 6, doing great damage in Michigan and Wisconsin on the 4th and 5th. On the 2d light frosts visited New England, and on the 23d the Ohio valley, New York and northward. On the 24th an extensive frost area overspread the Ohio valley and the Atlantic states north of North Carolina, including New England.

Snow fell during the 25th in New York state, Massachusetts, Vermont, and light drizzles of snow occurred as far south as Maryland.

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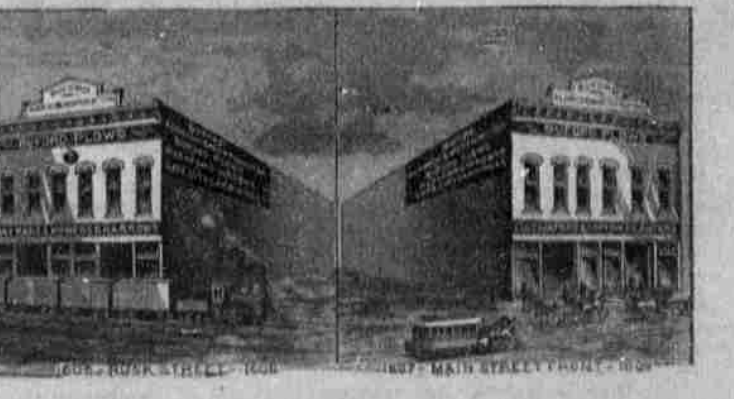
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