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TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.

Home and Contents Burned.—Owner Dies from Shock.

About four o'clock Sunday afternoon the home of J. A. Bardell, living eight miles northeast of Welsh was discovered to be on fire, and although the members of the family made strenuous efforts to save the contents of the house, the fire was under such headway when discovered that it was impossible to save anything, except the piano and a few things of lesser value. During the fire, Mr. Bardell who was subject to spells of heart trouble, became so excited and exhausted from heat and overexertion that he had one of these attacks and expired within a few minutes. After having endeavored to save some portion of the property and finding his efforts futile, Mr. Bardell sat down on the well curb to rest after a few moments he was seen to have fallen forward. Those present rushed to his assistance but he was beyond all earthly help.

Deceased, John Albert Bardell, was born in Canada, April 10, 1837. At an early age he, with his parents, moved to Freeport, Illinois, where he made his home for many years. In 1867 he married Miss Mary Hart, from which union there were two children born, a son, Frank, who now lives near Jennings, and a daughter, who is now Mrs. Clarence Miller, and together with her husband, were living with Mr. and Mrs. Bardell when the catastrophe occurred.

Deceased and family moved to this section about two years ago and they had resided on the farm which they had purchased from Mr. A. Reeve, since. Recently they had decided to return to the north and had a part of their furniture sold, and arrangements made for the trip.

The funeral services were conducted at the home of neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan, by Rev. Carruth. Interment was made Tuesday afternoon in the Welsh cemetery. The many friends of the family, both in their immediate neighborhood and in Welsh, extend their sympathy to them in this, their

Rice in Field Not So Badly Damaged as Feared.

Rice in the field is not so badly damaged in this immediate vicinity as it was feared it would be, and not nearly so much as in adjacent localities, where the drainage is not so good as it is here. In talking with a number of the farmers, the general verdict seems to be that if we could have a week or ten days of good weather, the rice now in the shock would be threshed out and be in pretty fair condition.

In a recent interview, H. E. Heald, one of the prominent planters and rice men of this section, said that he had about 100 acres which he was going to begin threshing Wednesday morning. He said his ground was well drained and that he had been out and opened up the shocks on about 20 acres and found the rice in good shape.

W. B. Gabbert, another of the leading planters of this section, is threshing this week and reports that while his rice is not as good as it would have been, had it not been for the recent heavy rains, he is threshing out a fine grade of rice. Reports from around Roanoke and vicinity indicate that there is but very little rice left in the shock, the farmers there being well before-hand, either have their rice sold or in the warehouse awaiting for the market to open. To the west of here, the rice is in a worse condition. In some of the lower fields the water is up to the bands and in some places even higher.

Seed oats at Jones Bros

The secretary of the Texas rice growers' association, estimates the possible rice crop of Texas this year at 2,004,767 sacks. Of this 1,363,995 sacks were safely harvested on Nov. 1, leaving 638,775 sacks still in the field. The heavy rains since that date have undoubtedly lowered the latter total, so that the entire Texas crop must be less than 2,000,000 sacks, and all the experts agree that the Texas crop is larger than the Louisiana crop. Delancey Evans must expect the rest of the 5,388,000 sacks to come from Arkansas.—Lake Charles American.

The Rice Situation from a Prominent Miller's Point of View.

In an interview with F. D. Calkins, manager of the Gulf Mill of this city, Wednesday Morning, relative to the rice situation, he said: "The market is dull, and I fear will continue so for some time, owing to the present financial stringency." When asked if he expected to continue running through the season, he replied that he hoped to be able to do so. He said they were running twelve hours a day and milling from 600 to 700 sacks per day. They are selling the clean rice practically as fast as it is milled so that they have no considerable stock on hand. They are buying from 600 to 800 sacks per day, aiming only to keep a supply on hand sufficiently large to keep the mill moving. While there is no real market for rice at the present time, Mr. Calkins says they are paying from \$2.50 to \$3.40 per barrel, which brings the price up to near \$4 per sack. It is his idea that it is better for all concerned, to keep the mill moving, even at a very small profit, and keep the money coming into the country than to wait for better times to come.

Under existing conditions, it takes from three to six weeks for a mill to realize on a consignment of rice, so it is necessarily a slow proposition for the mills, except those having a very large bank account. When asked if he would advise farmers to sell their rice now or wait for higher prices, he replied that he would not advise one way or the other, but that he considered \$3 to \$3.25 for rice from the machine, better than bearing the shrinkage and waiting for higher prices, with the possibility of having to take less.

To Rice Farmers

and all who are interested in deep well irrigation: I wish to state to all who are contemplating buying the Menger Self Contained Pump Apparatus for use the coming season that I am now prepared to furnish said apparatus in any number, and that headquarters will be at the Armstrong Machine and Well Works Company, where all orders will receive prompt attention.

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SPLENDID TEMPERANCE RALLY SUNDAY NIGHT.

Packed House Listened to an Astonishing Array of Facts and Figures on the Liquor and Prohibition Movement.

Before seven o'clock, the hour set for the meeting had arrived, Sunday night, the Baptist church, the largest edifice of its kind in the city, was filled to overflowing with an eager throng of people anxious to hear what progress is being made in this most vital of all questions now before the American people.

The splendid audience that came out to hear this question discussed, is but another evidence of the magnitude of the reform movement that is sweeping over this nation at the present time.

The speakers of the evening were all home talent and their addresses, shorn of all oratorical glitter and rhetorical ambiguity, were filled with the strong meat of facts that could not be successfully refuted, and carried conviction to the hearts of the most skeptical.

Rev. Ellis, the first speaker of the evening, in endeavoring to present the magnitude of the liquor traffic, said that the mind of man was incapable of grasping the stupendous array of figures necessary to express the magnitude of this business in dollars and cents. He also showed that it permeated all classes from the highest to the lowest, sending out its grasping tentacles into every phase of our national existence.

Rev. Ellis was followed by Dr. Cooper, who presented a strong paper upon the effect of prohibition upon the wage earner. He said that the highest ideal of happiness he could think of was a home where husband, wife and children dwelt in peace and harmony, being well fed, well clothed and well housed, with a little laid by for the traditional rainy day. This, he said, was an ideal condition, and that although we may never attain to it, prohibition tends toward it just as the saloon tends toward the opposite.

Rev. Crain, the next speaker on the floor, said that the complete carrying out of the prohibition movement would bring about a condition in the social and moral affairs of the country, closely akin to the millennium.

Hon. Lee E. Robinson delivered the concluding address of the evening, his theme being, "What is being done." Mr. Robinson presented an array of facts that would astonish even the most hopeful. He stated that there are now six dry states and eighteen states in which more than half the territory is dry, while in all the remainder, except eight states, there is more or less dry territory. He further showed that more than 30,000,000 people are now living in dry territory within the confines of the United States. He further showed that there had been more progress in the prohibition movement in the past five years than there had been in the preceding half century. He furthermore gave a very encouraging account of the attitude of the courts and the press on the subject.

Other speakers were booked for the evening, but time forbade their appearance.

The various addresses were interspersed with songs by the choir and congregation. Rev. Welch read the scripture lesson and Rev. Carruth offered the closing prayer. F. D. Calkins, president of the Anti-Saloon League, of this place, was chairman of the evening.

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New Interest in Welsh Oil Field.

Since it has become generally known that C. E. Smith of Port Arthur, who is sinking a deep well in the Welsh field, has the utmost confidence in the belief that the Welsh field is underlain by the same formation as is the Jennings and Anse La Butte fields, a new interest is being felt in regard to the field.

They are down about 1,800 feet and have set a hundred foot screen and are bailing the well as we go to press. While they are now in an excellent oil formation, if they do not strike a strong flow of oil, it is Mr. Smith's intention to go much deeper, believing that he will ultimately strike a basin.

Outside parties are also becoming interested in the field. A party of gentlemen from Mississippi were in Welsh this week, and while they made no statement as to their intentions, they purchased through the real estate

firm of Robinson & Carr, a nice block of oil land at a fancy price. Other outsiders were also looking up conditions with possible intentions to buy.

Contractor Hubbard Sustains Broken Arm

D. H. Hubbard, the contractor who was completing the Clark canal sustained a very serious and painful injury Tuesday morning, occasioned by falling of the horse upon which he was riding into town. Mr. Hubbard was riding at a moderate gallop, when, as he was coming up Adams street, he tumbled and fell. In the fall the pomel of the saddle caught the rider's left arm, breaking both the bones midway between the elbow and the wrist. Dr. Cooper reduced the fracture and Mr. Hubbard returned to the plant later in the day.

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