OOD WATERS FLOW INTO THE GULF

HE NEAREST ESTIMATE PLACES DEATHS AT ABOUT ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY.

HE PROPERTY LOSS $10,000,000

e Rescue and Relief Committees Are Now Able to Epedite Their Work, and Things Now Look Brighter.

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The crest of the flood has now passthrough the bottoms of the Colo- o and Brazos rivers out into the f.

The great aftermath problem of s record-breaking flood that now es the citizen is the feeding and thing of the hundreds upon hun- ds of people left in the devastated ntry.

Given good weather, railroad traf- through the flooded valleys of uth-Central Texas ought to be re- ablished within about ten days, within four days to a week after water has subsided and the rivers e returned to their beds. That is judgment of railroad men who e out of the flooded district Sun- night.

With millions of tons of overflow ters pouring their muddy torrent the Gulf of Mexico, the flood ge in the upper Brazos and Colo- do valleys are being steadily low- ed, as much as two feet in twenty- r hours at some points, less at hers. And as the vast tide sinks h by inch stretches of twisted rail- d track are emerging to the eye ng the higher ground. Already tion gangs are working from the rth and south toward the centers the desolated country, driving piles ere bridges have been washed out, aightening tracks that have been ped over, ripraping at culverts and lasting everywhere.

So far as known, no large railroad dges have gone out, and this fact l count more than any other for ly resumption of rail traffic on the nta Fe, Southern Pacific and Katy. As the great flood shrinks and the d shows its wrinkled face once re the seal of death is on it. Here there in fence angles and thickets rpses are massed, ghastly remind- of the folly of people who were ned to flee and took no heed, and others who, hastening out of the floodgates, were overtaken and llowed up by the remorseless tides this savage inland sea.

But if the shadow of death hovers e the waters, out of their cold em- rs emerges serene the figure of urage, and the light of its presence in the sodden valleys. Tragedy is t utterly desolate when high hero- n goes along, and the story of the od of 1913 is no less emblazoned th deeds of self-sacrifice than en- bmed with suffering and bereave- nt.

After doing more than $7,500,000 mage, by some estimated as high as 5,000,000, and taking about 190 hu- n lives, the last of the Texas floods at an end. The Colorado river, a rible rival of the Brazos, has been wing into the gulf and stricken ies and towns in its wake are be- ning rehabilitation, while thou- nds of homeless persons are being ed for. The same conditions, but ere, prevail in the Brazos valley w Marlin and above the present od zone. Some towns in the valley e unable to care for the great num- r of persons saved from the flood. plied railroad service to and from me of these towns makes the situa- n more pressing.

Adjutant General Hutchings, who Rosenberg from Sealy, report- the governor that conditions rapidly returning to normal. At achie, Governor Colquitt was to think that the estimate 000,000 flood loss is an exag- n. He declared that liberal ributions from Texas people were ficient to compose the situation that no more funds from the erican Red Cross Society would be ded. The losses from the flood, re- ked the governor, fell mostly on shoulders of the railroads.

It is known, however, that the State hit rather heavily. The total on State farms in South Texas h estimated at $500,000. Losse political subdivisions—borne ties and cities—is large, due to destruction or depreciation of , and the carrying away of ges. Farmers have lost compara- ly little in crops, as most of the wing already had been done— their property losses are consider-

All convicts on the State farms in th Texas have been taken to Ar-

The problem of relieving the suf- ng of those who have been forced of their homes, penniless and ost clothing, is the most press- one in the flooded areas. Many re cut off from rail communi- and as their food supplies be- ed, face the danger of In some places water sup- ly is meager and this adds an- ship. Nearly all the towns there are large numbers of e in need of tents for the shelter, of clothing, bedding

History of Former Brazos Floods.

Some history preserved and handed down by early settlers referring to Brazos overflows dating back to the early part of the Nineteenth century is here given:

These traditional overfloks appeared to recur every ten years, a fact that would seem to indicate the possibility of their regularity having been affected subsequently by acts of civilization, such, for instance, as the clearing of large timber tracts and the clearing of underbrush.

Observers of these changes in the supposed early periodical recurrences of the floods are inclined to believe that scientific causes may be found for them that may in the future make it possible to predict them with comparative accuracy, and if not actually prevent overflows, put the inhabitants in readiness to get out of the way.

The only plausible solution, it seems, of the overflow problem at present is an extension of the diking system begun in the upper portions of the stream some years ago and of more recent years attempted in a more systematic and scientific way in some of the lower counties.

The earliest traditional Brazos river flood is said to have occurred in 1833. Of this the only detail that seems to have been remembered is that it entailed an immense amount of suffering and hardship to early settlers inhabiting the upper portions of the stream.

It was followed in 1843 by a second and in 1852 by a third. Little seems to be known, except the fact that it was said to have covered an immense area, damaging stock and other property and occasioning loss of life and hardships by the tying up of highways. All that is known of that flood, in spite of the fact that it occurred within the memory of men now living, are a few verbal accounts told by old settlers.

Two succeeding periods then seem to have passed either without a flood or so slight rises as not to have been recalled and the next was that of 1885. This date seems to indicate that the regularity had been broken or that the period was a few months more than ten years. This flood is said to have entirely surpassed the previous flood in extent and property losses in the upper part of the basin. The lower Brazos valley was still so sparsely settled, comparatively, that that fact may have accounted for the small damage done in the regions closer to the gulf.

All floods of which there is any record at all, except the one just past, was exceeded by that of June and July, 1899. This flood, like that of 1908, was in reality a double rise, the crests following each other in close succession. It was preceded by a period of unusual drouth, a condition that would ordinarily be supposed to leave the ground in condition to absorb a large amount of the rainfall.

The flood stage at Hempstead on this occasion was 50 feet, or three feet lower than that just past. It was also higher at Kopperl, Waco and other points where records were kept. There were then no government river gauges, but the water lines left by the rise were subsequently compared to gauges established by the government in 1903 and later.

It is estimated that the flood covered an area, out of the banks of the stream of more than 2,000 square miles, caused the death of 40 persons known to have been drowned and resulted in losses of cattle, corn and cotton amounting to $7,412,543. The exact acreage covered has been estimated at 1,383,350 according to government records.

The cotton losses were estimated at 226,950 bales, carried off by th stream. The corn loss was esti at 4,366,000 bushels. Th more greatly affected were Falls, Robertson, Brazo Grimes, Washington, W Fort Bend and Brazori

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Individuals began to bu ments near Downsville, under the supervision o in 1911. The same time le attempted on the Henderson Milam County.

Considerable survey and p nary work was done under the tion of Arthur Stiles, appointed the government for that work, following the appropriation of $50,000 made by the State legislature in 1909. This amount was supplemented by $50,000 from the Federal government the same year. A survey of the Brazos was begun from Sealy to Waco.

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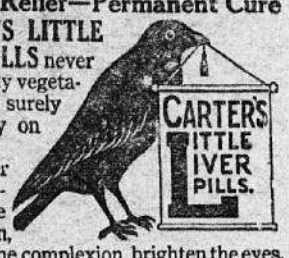

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BAD TETTER ON HANDS

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Red Seals and Christmas Gifts.

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MINDS IN COMPLETE ACCORD

For Once, at Least, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Found Themselves in Absolute Harmony.

"We are united in this movement," said Thomas M. Reed, a Denver physiologist, apropos of a fight against the drug habit.

"Yes, a single thought possesses us. and in that respect we're like Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

"At 3 a. m. of a bitter cold morning Mrs. Smith in her thin nightgown was pacing the floor with her colic-tormented babe in her arms. The babe's squawks of pain were terrible, yet they were easily drowned by the ear-splitting roars of young Smith, Jr., who tossed about his crib with a toothache.

"Mr. Smith, shivering in his pajamas, bent over the washstand, trying to prepare a cotton filling for his son and a mustard plaster for his babe, when his wife's voice, scarcely audible above the uproar, reached him.

"'John,' she said, 'if seven years ago, I could have looked forward and beheld this scene, do you know what I'd have done?'

"'Yes, love,' Smith answered. You'd have done just what I wish I'd done.'"

Household and Mental Order.

Froebel, "father of child-study," said that "inward clearness proceeds from outward order," and there is truth enough in the observation to give food for thought to the careless, untidy mother and father. Froebel's saying was connected, no doubt, with his insistence that the child's play and work materials in the kindergarten should be taken out in perfect order and so returned at the close of the exercises, and Dr. Montessori, the Italian educationist, whose method is working a change in the teaching of children, requires the same thing in her "Houses of Childhood." There must indeed be a potent influence in an orderly, punctual, wisely-administered household, and there is no question that children brought up in such an atmosphere do show clearness in their mental processes. Fortunately this is an influence which is independent of riches or poverty and so can be exerted by any mother.

Not for Ten Cents.

During Robert Edeson's last visit in the south he had occasion to spend the Sabbath with an acquaintance who owned a big plantation near Port Gibson, Miss.

Some time in the afternoon a large gathering of negroes appeared on the banks of a stream that skirted the farm, attracted by a baptism. Mr. Edeson, calling to a black boy who was looking on, said:

"Isaac, I'll give you a dime if you will be baptized this afternoon."

For fully three minutes the darkey looked at Mr. Edeson, then he answered:

"No, suh; you cain't git me to fool wif the Lord for ten cents."

Thought "Katy" Was a New Dance.

"Two traveling men on an M. K. & T. train," says the Parsons Sun, "were talking of their trips and a young fellow sitting across the aisle caught snatches of their conversation. His curiosity got the better of him and he bent forward and addressed the man in the seat ahead of him: 'Say, hear those ginks talking over there? I've done the "Texas Tommy," "The Tango," "The Hesitation Waltz," and some others, but when it comes to "doing the Katy," I pass. What kind of a wiggle is it, anyway?'"—Kansas City Star.

Cows and Grass.

Two Washington youngsters were visiting their father's country place in Virginia, when one of them observed:

"Marie, I don't see how cows can eat grass. Do you?"

Marie gave the question appropriate consideration, and then replied:

"I suppose it's like this: When the cows are young the mother cow keeps saying to her children: 'If you don't eat grass you shan't have any pie?'"

One of the Seven.

"Will you tell me why your servant has three alarm clocks on the table by his bed? Is he as sleepy as all that?"

"All that and then some. You see, he sets one clock for five o'clock, another for six o'clock, and the third for seven o'clock. At eight o'clock I get up and drag him out of bed myself."—New York Evening Post.

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SEEMED LIKE RUBBING IT IN

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Algernon was a "free-lance" journalist, and at the moment could have done with considerably less freedom —and more money. In fact, he was beginning to realize that a regular salary had its advantages.

So was Algernon's wife.

A somewhat gloomy silence was broken by the letter carrier's knock, and restraining any undignified haste, Algernon went to the box. It contained a foolscap envelope, which is not the kind that editors drop checks into.

"Shades of the poets!" quoth Algernon. "This is really more than I can bear!"

"What is it, dear?" piped his wife.

"What is it? Why, I sent this editor two stories and the heartless fellow has returned three!"

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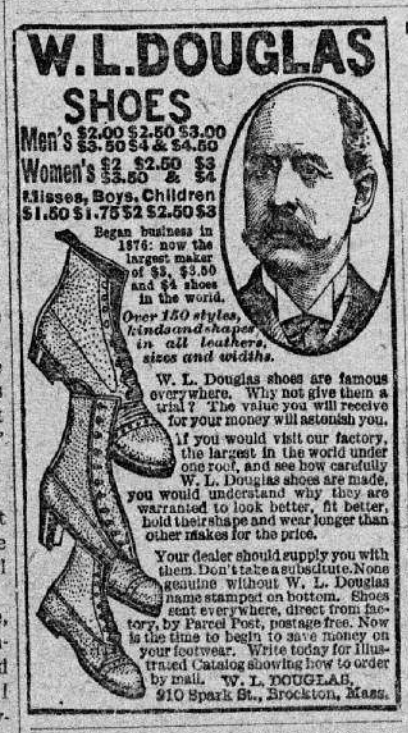

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