

VICTIMS OF STORM KING

Tornado in Birmingham, Ala., Leaves a Broad Trail of Death and Destruction in Its Path

QUARTER OF A HUNDRED KNOWN DEAD

Everything in a Space of 150 Feet Wide Reduced to Splinters

Long List of Injured.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 25.—Shortly before 10 o'clock this morning a fearful tornado, traveling in an easterly direction, swept over the southern part of this city. The number of killed is tonight estimated at twenty-five, of whom five are known.

The destruction of property is placed at a quarter of a million. Eighteen bodies had been recovered up to 7 p. m., and scores of injured had been removed to the hospital.

KNOWN CASUALTIES.

Following is the list of identified dead and known injured: The dead: DR. G. C. CHAPMAN, MRS. ROBERT J. LOWE, INFANT CHILD OF MRS. LOWE, LITTLE DAUGHTER OF B. B. HUDSON.

MADE A CLEAN SWEEP.

East of the church, directly in the tornado's path, in a negro settlement, much havoc was wrought among the frail shacks, seven of which were swept away. A number of small houses were leveled between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets.

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PEACE OFFER TO BOERS NOT TO BE REPEATED

LONDON, March 25.—The colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, when asked in the house of commons today if it was possible to change the offer of peace terms to the Boers, said the negotiations were closed and there was no intention of reopening them.

M. DE WITTE TO BE CZAR'S CHANCELLOR

MASTERFUL RUSSIAN LIKELY TO RULE THE EMPIRE'S INTERNAL AND FOREIGN POLICY ALIKE.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 25.—In diplomatic circles here it is regarded as probable that S. M. de Witte, the finance minister, will be named imperial chancellor within a few years. They also believe the czar will first bestow princely rank upon him.

ANSWER IS MADE PUBLIC

SENATE CHANGES IN THE CONVENTION ARE HELD UNFAIR TO ENGLAND. NEUTRALITY OF THE CANAL Not Sufficiently Guaranteed by the Document as Altered—His Majesty's Government Adheres to Clayton-Bulwer Treaty.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

SHOW THE BOERS STILL HAVE AMBITION. LONDON, March 25.—The official casualty list issued last evening indicates a number of active operations during the failure of the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and Gen. Botha.

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MEDALS FOR SAILORS.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES BRAVERY OF YANKEE TARS. WASHINGTON, March 25.—Through M. D. Lanessan, the minister of marine of the French republic, the navy department has just requested two beautiful silver medals for diplomatic award to P. Auserer and Patrick Mullen, sailors on the United States battleship Kentucky.

BLOCKADED BY SNOW.

UNION PACIFIC TRAINS STALLED IN BRITAIN. OMAHA, Neb., March 25.—Contrary to reports that a few snow-bound overland trains at Ogallala, Neb., had been released, special telegrams from that city this afternoon say the trains are still at Long Pine. The Rock Island train from Denver to avoid snow banks ran east via part of the Kansas City, St. Joseph line of the Union Pacific.

MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BULLETIN OF IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE DAY

Weather Forecast for St. Paul: Fair; Northerly Winds. 1—Victims of Storm King. Britain's Formal Refusal. China Appeals to England.

WEATHER FOR TODAY.

Minnesota and Wisconsin—Fair Tuesday, light to fresh northerly winds; Wednesday fair, warmer.

OCEAN LINERS.

Liverpool—Arrived: Tauric, New York, Rhyndak, Philadelphia. 2—Marseilles—Arrived: Bolivia, New York for Leghorn, Naples, etc.

AROUND THE HOTELS.

At the Clarendon—J. P. Killam, P. J. Lindquist, Fargo; C. V. Johnson, Red Wing; Orris Oliver, Minneapolis; A. Saeli, Rochester; J. Hagen, Northfield.

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