

RIDGEWAY, Ill., April 4.—It is estimated this morning that 500 lives were lost in the flood at Shawneetown, Ill., last evening. The disaster came at 6 p. m., when a majority of the people were eating supper. The break in the levee occurred one mile above town and was within ten minutes more than half a mile wide. A stream of water twelve to twenty feet deep, carrying half the current of the flood, raised the Ohio river and descended on the unsuspecting people in a great rush like a tidal wave. There was no warning. Houses on the outskirts were lifted and rolled over and over. Most of them were torn into splinters and their inhabitants drowned. Nearer the center of the town brick structures stopped the on-rush of water a few minutes, about one-third of the dwellings were lifted from their foundations and floated into the river. The horror was added to by a fire in a large house that started down the stream with the others. People on roofs were already in the danger of being thrown off by collisions, but the floating fire brand set fire to one house after another, and the unfortunate occupants were compelled to trust themselves to the swirling water on pieces of wood to avoid the more terrible death by fire. By means of rafts and swimming in cold water seventy or eighty people were transferred from garret windows and roofs the flat top of the Gallatin County bank and court house which are of brick. It was hoped these would withstand the pressure, but when the single courier who roed for help to Cypress Junction left Shawneetown, only those two buildings showed above the broad sheet of flood in the lower part of the town, and it was doubtful if they would not collapse. Nearly 1,000 inhabitants managed to make their way to the high hills back of town or to houses in a higher section of the village.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 4.—Louisville and Nashville trainmen bring the report that the family of Sheriff Galloway was completely wiped out by the flood at Shawneetown. Mayor Caney now estimates the loss of life at 100. The levee broke without warning, catching people like rats in a trap. The entire town is submerged from ten to twenty feet. People are huddled at the Riverside hotel, court house and school house, two story buildings. Evansville provision boats arrived this morning and the people shouted "God bless Evansville and her mayor." A partial list of the dead is as follows: Colonel Collicott and wife, Mrs. Ed Flake and three children, Paul Phaken, Mrs. Galloway and two children, C. Rhinehart, Mary McAllister, Allen McAllister, Annie Rhinehart, Grandmother Holly, Mrs. McLane and Mrs. Matilda Greer.

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., April 4.—Following are names of additional people drowned at Shawneetown: Mrs. Greer; William Thompson and family; Chas. Creighton and family; Mary Welch and family; Mary McAllister. Telephone information places the number of drowned at 150. Junction City reports the following drowned: Wash Callcott; Pearl Callcott; Mrs. Ed Flake; Paul Phaler and family; Mrs. C. S. Galloway and two children; Anna Sarah Reinhardt; Mrs. Tanley; Mrs. McCloise.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 4.—Gov. Tanner has issued a proclamation calling for aid for the Shawneetown sufferers.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 4.—Mayor Garney of Shawneetown, appealed today to Congress for aid for the destitute people of his stricken city. It is said the town is absolutely destroyed and there is not enough food in town for one meal. He says 300 people are drowned. This city sent two steamboat loads of provisions last night, that should reach Shawneetown this morning. All telegraph and telephone wires to Shawneetown are down.

MARKETS.

Chicago Stock.

CHICAGO, April 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 20,000; weak to 10c. lower, beefs, \$3.00@3.25; cows and heifers, \$2.25@3.40; Texas steers, \$3.60@4.85; stockers and feeders, \$3.75@4.70.
Sheep.—Receipts, 21,000; steady.

Kansas City Stock.

KANSAS CITY, April 4.—Cattle—Receipts 4,000; Texas steers, \$3.50@4.00; Texas cows, \$3.30@3.40; native steers, \$3.50@3.60; native cows and heifers, \$1.50@1.60; stockers and feeders, \$3.50@3.60; bulls, \$2.75@4.25.
Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; steady; lambs, \$4.00@5.65; muttons, \$3.75@4.70.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Lead, \$3.50. Copper, 11 1/2.

Chicago Grain.

CHICAGO, April 4.—Wheat—May, \$1.05 1/2; July, 85 1/2 @ 3/4.
Corn.—April, 29 1/2; July, 30 1/2.
Oats.—April, 25 1/2; July, 23 1/2.

Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Money on call nominally, at 3/64 per cent; Prime mercantile paper, 5/8%
Silver, 55 1/2.
Lead, \$3.50; Copper, 11 1/2.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations has arrived a definite conclusion as to the resolution it will recommend. Senator Davis has prepared a report to accompany the resolutions. It will deal with the situation in vigorous language, and it is understood much will be made in it of the "Maine" disaster. The report will be in the nature of an address to the country in justification of the resolutions to be reported by the Committee. The committee expects to report on the same day the President's message is received and members of the committee still look for a message that will recommend both recognition and a declaration favorable to intervention.

NEW YORK, April 4.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: Consul General Lee has been instructed to turn the American consulate over to British Consul Goldin and has already made the necessary arrangements with Goldin to do so. This is a mere precaution in case Lee has to leave suddenly. He is simply setting his house in order.

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs met at 10 o'clock. Gillett, of Massachusetts, Republican, said the committee would take no action today. The committee ordered the doors locked. It is believed the session is stormy.

Every member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House was pledged to secrecy before the committee adjourned. One Republican member said, "We did nothing."
The committee will meet again tomorrow.

The carpenters of Chicago began a strike, today, with 5,000 members, which will interfere with the employment of 50,000 people of other trades. The strike is against a clause in the agreement with the employers, binding the men not to work for any one not a member of the Carpenters and Builders' Association.

There are at least 300 "street artists" in London earning a living at drawing pictures on the pavement and collecting pennies from the crowds that gather.

A bar of lead cooled to about 300 degrees below zero, according to an experiment of M. Piastet, gives out when struck a pure musical tone.

A BIG COMBINE.

With a state charter for which it recently paid a fee of \$24,000, the American Steel & Wire company which, under the designation of the "wire trust," promises to become as well known as the Standard Oil and similar gigantic combines, will begin operations today. What the immediate effect on prices will be is a matter with which the promoters of the trust alone are acquainted. An idea of the enormous financial strength of the new trust may be gained from the statement that it is capitalized at a sum nearly equal to the combined capital of the American Biscuit, American Straw Board, and Diamond Match companies.

The company will have a producing capacity of 700,000 to 800,000 tons annually of nails and wire rods, which is nearly eighty per cent of the total product of the United States. Fourteen plants will be operated as follows: One at Salem, Ohio; three at Cleveland; one at St. Louis; two at Joliet, Ill.; two at DeKalb, Ill.; one at Allentown, Pa.; one at Beaver Falls, Pa.; one at Pittsburgh; one at Findlay, O.; one at Anderson, Ind. In addition, the company will maintain distributing depots at San Francisco, Portland, New Orleans, Denver, St. Paul, Louisville, Chicago, Cleveland, Pittsburg, New York, Montreal, Omaha, and London, England. It is estimated that fully 25,000 names will be on the company's pay-rolls.

The Queen of England is showing the advances of old age, to which the wisest and best must succumb, by her manifest leaning to spiritualism. She has recently shown this to a degree causing mingled annoyance and anxiety to the other members of the royal family. The fact is that the good old lady is suffering from the infirmities of age, and should gracefully retire from the throne, giving the Prince of Wales a chance, before he too becomes an aged inadequate.

The public library at St. Petersburg possesses a fine smoking room.

The King of Italy has never visited the Pope.

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Sufferers should take instant advantage of his generous proposition.

Please tell the Doctor that you saw this in the Stock Grower and Farmer, Las Vegas, N. M.

A Piece of Parchment.

When unwritten on, is not more colorless than the cadaverous countenances of those unfortunate persons whom we are accustomed to call "confirmed invalids." What a misnomer! implying, too, despair, a giving up for lost! As long as the vivifying power of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters can be felt, and that is possible so long as there is no absolute collapse of the faculties, fresh vitality can be infused into wasted feeble frames; color and flesh can be brought back to wasted, pallid cheeks with this grand sheet anchor of the debilitated and the sickly. It is a tonic of the greatest potency and utmost purity, and a remedy for and preventive of dyspepsia, biliousness, malarious, rheumatic, nervous and kidney complaints. Appetite and sleep are greatly aided by it; it counteracts the effects of undue fatigue, or excitement, and nullifies the often perilous consequences of exposure in inclement weather or damp clothing.

Nearly all lions are "left-handed." A famous explorer says that when one desires to strike a fierce blow the animal always uses the left paw.

On the Yukon, at a distance of from 700 to 800 miles from the sea, there are many points where the river is 20 miles wide.

As far as calculations can decide, the temperature of comets is believed to be 2,000 times fiercer than that of red-hot iron.

The remains of a Roman military hospital have recently been found near Zurich.

The cathedral of Rouen boasts a clock which has kept time for 500 years.

RATES TO CITY OF MEXICO.

LAS VEGAS, N. M., March 9, 1896.—Round trip rates to City of Mexico from Las Vegas, \$66.70. Going limit, sixty days, with final return limit of six months from date of sale.

RATES TO PHOENIX.

Tourist rates to Phoenix, Ariz., and return from Las Vegas, \$48.50. Limits, fifteen days, in each direction with final limit of six months.

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PROPOSALS FOR FRESH BEEF AND MUTTON.

Office Chief Commissary, Denver, Colo., March 1, 1896. Seal-d proposals in triplicate will be received by Commissaries at following posts, until 11 a. m., standard mountain time, March 31, 1896, and then opened, for furnishing and delivered in bulk, the Fresh Beef and Mutton, from the block, required at these posts by the Subsistence Department, U. S. Army, during fiscal year commencing July 1, 1895: Forts Apache, Grant, Huachuca, and Whipple Barracks, Ariz.; Bayard, and Wiegate, N. M.; Logan, Colo.; Douglas, and Du Chesse, Utah. Fresh beef shall be good in quality and condition, fit for immediate use, and from fore and hind quarter meats proportionally, including all best cuts thereof. Fresh mutton shall be of good, fat and marketable quality, from wethers over one and under three years old. Beef and mutton to be dressed and trimmed and delivered as prescribed in circular of instructions. Proposals will be also received stating price at which bidder will deliver fresh beef or mutton of character described above stated, and to be delivered of temperature not greater than 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Preference given to articles of domestic production, cost and quality being equal. Government reserves right to reject any or all bids, or parts thereof, and to waive any informalities therein. Instructions furnished on application to Commissaries of above named posts, or to W. L. Alexander, Major C. S. 51 44

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