

THE RIGHT LEVEE SPIRIT. Disastrous as they may be, the recent breaks have at least convinced the people of the Delta that their only safety from overflow in the future lies in the increased height of the levees.

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discussing the all-important questions of larger and better levees, and how to get them. After the river subsides within its banks and a sense of security prevails, public interest in levees will subside also, and any article on levees will be read with a yawn, if read at all.

The break at Offutt's argues nothing against the levee system, but it is attributable to some defect in the levee at that particular spot. The fact that only one break has occurred in all of the three hundred miles of levee, though the water has been up for nearly two months, refutes any argument or theory against the efficacy of levees.

These holes sometimes run under the public road from six to twenty-seven inches beneath the surface. As the water rises and fills the cavity in the levee the earth becomes saturated and sponges or caves in and is carried off through the holes made by the crayfish into the side ditch, and this continuing for a number of years makes the "cistern" in the levee, which sooner or later will collapse and a break occur.

Chloron Plantation, March 23. Editor Bolivar County Democrat: You should advocate through the columns of your valuable paper (and solicit the aid of every paper in Bolivar County) an early meeting of the Levee Board and urge the people in mass to attend the meeting, and back the Board in taking immediate steps toward building our levees of such dimensions that will defy over five feet more water than this mighty flood now starting us in the face.

It was in the day when, seeking popularity, Otto von Bismarck was eager to exhibit himself on all great occasions. There was a grand ball at the City Hall, where were gathered many society people. There Bismarck met his tailor, who was swollen with pride in his position of tailor to the Chancellor. "It is a fine feat," said Bismarck to him. "The society is a little mixed, my Prince." "Really, my dear friend, but you certainly could not expect that there would be only tailors here."—Chicago News.

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Now while the river is up and breaks are occurring, and the public mind is centered on the levees, is the time for

THE SKIPWITH CREVASSE. (Mayersville Spectator.) Had the crevasse its origin on the river front instead of being in the suburban parts, few if any of the residents would have escaped with their lives. The only hope for safety was to mount the levee and many ladies and gentlemen struggled to reach them with the swelling torrent, on arriving, up to their shoulders. The warehouse of W. S. Lachs & Co., was destroyed by fire and several residences swept away. At an astonishing speed, the muddy water is spreading over the vast improved and cultivated lands and forests of our planters, many of whom would have been at the expiration of another week through with their planting. It is no longer a question of suspense as to whether they will escape the ravages of an overflow; the handwriting is on the wall, and for a time at least nine-tenths of the county will be covered with water. All are now able to see in their mind's eye the bad results to follow as sure as the night the day. Stock and worldly accumulations that can be transported are now being hurried to the front by those who had not taken precautionary steps; this town has anything but a pleasant appearance and before many hours the mercenary waters which are now upon us, will be everywhere; it is reckoned that the greatest depth the waters will attain in the town, will be one foot and not more than two at best, and the dwellings, many of them being neat with broad verandas, embowered in foliage, vines and flowers, and surrounded with sweetest fragrance, will be damaged very little.

Between this place and the crevasse the water presents to a person with kindly feelings and better thought a terrible sight which might well be terrible in the future if substantial aid and speedy relief does not come. At every step the colored laborer, his family and his all are found, almost destitute arrayed in faded garments that have seen their best days, and afford them but little comfort and no protection from the howling March winds; for shelter they have nothing but the canopy of heaven and the night dews in plenty must weep as they fall. We are sorry for this, and they are deserving of help and encouragement; during the period when our town was thought doomed to destruction they readily responded to our appeal for assistance from far and wide, no matter how dark the night or blinding the rain, at the risk of their lives, and for us to fold our arms and do nothing to assist them to keep the wolf from their fold, would show that we are ungrateful and do not deserve the name of men. Let not this be said of those who have always used strong influence to keep colored people away from this county, and if possible make farming here a failure. The cry of distress will soon be heard if we are dilatory and we should not delay. Tents are needed and if they are not forthcoming many will die from exposure; food will soon be needed and if not provided suffering untold will be the consequence. We doubt not that relief will come, and that all that can be done will be done to stop the break which is increasing in width and depth hourly and is now 600 feet.

The Louisville Storm. Louisville, March 29.—Although a pall of mourning hangs over the city deeper than Louisville ever felt before, still the excitement of grief has passed away and a cool sense of the situation relieves it of much of its horror. Ninety-five bodies have been recovered up to this writing, and it is not believed that more than thirty more people have been lost. The ruins of Falls City Hall, where most of the deaths occurred, have now nearly been cleared away, and the opinion is very strong that but few more bodies will be found there. Most of the little girls who were at the dancing school, and whose remains were supposed to be under the wrecked walls, are now believed to have left before the crash or crawled out with but slight injuries. A story confirmative of this opinion is found in the fact that there are so few inquiries now at these ruins for lost ones.

The damage to property is not a fourth of the estimates made immediately succeeding the tempest. But the life and property was not confined to the city of Louisville. At Salem, Ky., 23 persons were killed, at Eddyville several and many wounded. At Shelbyville and many other points death and destruction marked its path. The same track was left after crossing the Ohio River.

Louisville, Ky., March 29.—The Masonic Committee has wired the following to Leander Burdick, Grand Master at Toledo, O.: From what we can gather, there are about 400 houses destroyed. Three hundred persons are injured, but still alive, of whom 20 per cent will probably die from their injuries. One hundred and twenty-five are now dead. The citizens seem desirous of caring for their own dead and injured. Only one lodgeroom was destroyed, but no lives were lost. As far as known only one Mason was injured, and he not dangerously.

LEVI C. GOODALE, Deputy Master. JACOB H. BROWN, WELLS, G. R. SEAY, CHARLES H. FISK. PURE CROCKERY. McNEIL STATION, March 27, '90. EDITOR TIMES: Dr. Humphreys attempts to prove by Clialbone's history that I am wrong as to the word Ita Bena. Greenwood and Letore's Indian name was "Itte-oke-Chunka," in English hard hickory wood. Clialbone spells the word wrong by the Indians, as Ita is the word for wood. It is possible that the Governor, like myself, being an ardent supporter of William Henry Harrison for the Presidency, and as it was about the year 1818 that he named his plantation on Lake Itte Bena, intended to give the name Log Cabin or Ita Bena, for it means Ita and nothing else, to his place; miss-spelling by one letter. For the Doctor's benefit, I will say that I was a great deal with the Indians in my young days and while not claiming to understand the language perfectly, I never heard an Indian use the word Ita in any sense whatever, and their reply to the query as to its meaning was, that there is no such word in their language.

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PUBLIC LAWS. AN ACT to amend section 1610 Revised Code of 1880. Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, That section 1610 of the Revised Code of 1880, be amended by adding in the 5th line after the words "of a board of supervisors" the words, "or any notary public duly qualified and commissioned."

AN ACT to punish persons who shall entice servants and employes away from their employers. Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, If any one shall willfully entice, seduce, entice away, knowingly employ, or induce a laborer or renter who is contracted with another for a specified time, to leave his employer or the leased premises, before the expiration of his or her contract, without the consent of employer, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than \$25.00 nor more than one hundred dollars; in addition to such fine he shall be liable to the employer or landlord in double the amount of damages which he or she may sustain by reason of such contract.

AN ACT to require the Board of Mississippi Levee Commissioners and the Board of Levee Commissioners of the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta to refund to the parties property entitled thereto, certain Levee funds improperly paid into the treasuries of said Boards, and for other purposes. Whereas, By law, all taxes collected from lands subject to what was known as the Liquidating Levee tax, after the payment of the debts to liquidate, which said tax was levied, have been paid in equal parts into the treasuries of said Boards of Commissioners aforesaid.

Section 1. The Board of Mississippi Levee Commissioners, and the Board of Levee Commissioners of the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta District, shall be authorized and they are hereby required, in equal parts each one-half to allow and repay to purchasers of lands from the said Liquidating Levee Board or from the State all sums and amounts that they have paid through the Auditor of Public Accounts as liquidating levee taxes, on all lands purchased by them where the titles which they secured by such purchases have failed by reason of the payment of taxes before the date of sale, or where the lands sold for taxes were at the time of the Chickasaw School lands or otherwise not subject by law to sale at the time of sale for taxes, State, county or levee; provided, however, that any such purchaser applying to said boards for a refunding of any sums so paid out by him as liquidating levee taxes as aforesaid shall make satisfactory proof of the liability of said boards to refund said taxes under the terms of this act. And said purchasers, on the failure of either of the boards to make allowance for the sums due them under the facts stated above, shall have the right to proceed by suit or other legal process against either or one of said boards as the case may be to enforce the collection and payment of the same.

Section 2. This act shall take effect from its passage. Approved February 22, 1890. AN ACT to amend an Act entitled an Act to incorporate the Board of Levee Commissioners for the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta, and for other purposes, approved February 23, 1884, approved March 16, 1886. Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, That section twenty-three of the above act be and the same be hereby amended by striking out the words "the first Monday in September" in 83rd and 84th lines and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September."

Section 2. That any clerk of the board of supervisors of any county in said Levee District, who shall fail or refuse to furnish the president of the board of supervisors the data which section 23 of said act requires them to furnish, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each offense. Section 3. That if upon the day fixed by law for the meeting of the Equalizers a quorum shall not be present, those present may adjourn from day to day, or to a day certain. Approved February 24, 1890.

DISTINGUISHED MEN. Governor John Ireland, of Texas; Simon P. Augus, of Arkansas; S. D. McKenry, Governor of Louisiana; E. B. Turner, Judge U. S. Court; Ex-Gov. Hubbard, Minister to Japan; Marion Martin, Ex-Lieut. Governor of Texas; W. R. Miller, Ex-Governor of Arkansas; E. A. Perry, Governor of Florida; W. D. Bloxham, Ex-Governor of Florida; John B. Gordon, Governor of Georgia; Alex. Gregg, Bishop of the Episcopal Church and Chancellor of the University of the South; and hundreds of other distinguished men of the United States in all professions and every department of science have had their sight restored by the use of Hawke's Crystallized Lenses. All eyes fitted and fit guaranteed by Dr. N. C. Skinner, Druggist, Greenville, Miss. Fine and Complicated Watches repaired. Satisfaction guaranteed, at Oct. 19-1f. FRANK BINDER'S.

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