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BIRMINGHAM STRUCK BY A HURRICANE

Fifteen Persons Killed Outright and a Number Fatally Injured—Many Buildings in Ruins.

News of Death and Destruction Coming in From the Surrounding Country.

A DOZEN PERSONS REPORTED KILLED AT TRUSSVILLE

Twenty-Five Houses Demolished and Seven Killed at Irondale.

Militia Guarding the Ruins From Thieves—Mass Meeting to be Held Today to Devise Relief Measures.

Birmingham, March 25.—A terrific wind and rain-storm passed over Birmingham and vicinity about 10 o'clock this morning doing great damage, and killing and injuring many people. The entire police force, fire department and all the ambulances in the city, together with surgeons, were summoned to the scene.

The same storm swept over Irondale, seven miles east of here, and destroyed a large part of the business portion of the town. Pratt City also suffered, the public school building being unroofed and the First Methodist church having its steeple blown off. Many negro cabins were wrecked and a number of people hurt. North Birmingham and other suburbs also suffered. The wind blew a fearful gale and rain fell in enormous sheets.

Two hundred houses in this city are destroyed. The known dead so far number 15. Several are fatally injured and a score are less hurt.

Reports of deaths and destruction of property are coming in slowly from the surrounding country.

The tornado was first seen at 9:40 this morning. It had a path 150 yards wide and as it passed through the city trees were uprooted and houses blown down. A heavy rain followed the storm.

Dr. G. C. Chapman, a prominent physician, stepped into a drug store to escape the rain. The building was blown down and he was killed. Others prominent among the dead were the wife and child of Democratic State Chairman Robert J. Lowe.

The entire police and fire departments after the tornado began the work of relieving the injured. Several persons were cut out of the ruins of houses. The injured were cared for in hospitals and the houses which escaped destruction.

Tonight militia are guarding the wrecked homes from thieves.

The mayor said tonight that 15 were dead in the city proper and 150 injured, several of whom could not possibly recover. A mass meeting will be held tomorrow to devise relief plans and he did not think outside help would be necessary.

The tornado passed from here to Irondale, six miles east, where twenty-five houses are demolished. Four whites and three negroes killed there and several fatally hurt.

At Cleveland Mrs. George Hall was killed by lightning.

At Pratt City, North Birmingham, Griskey, Green Springs, Avendale, Woodlawn and Gate City the wind tore off roofs and destroyed out houses. It is impossible to hear from Weems and Trussville, a small town 15 miles east. It is reported a dozen are killed there.

Among the known dead here are the following:

Dr. G. C. Chapman, a prominent physician of this city, killed by falling debris in Mentor's store on South Twentieth street.

Mrs. Robert J. Lowe, wife of the chairman of the state democratic committee and her infant son, killed at

their residence on South Highlands. J. Alexander, merchant, killed in his store at Avenue J and Twenty-fourth street.

W. P. Dickerson, a book-keeper, killed in Mentor's store on South Twentieth street.

Three-year-old daughter of B. B. Hudson, merchant. Lizzie Glenn. Carrie Henry. Lizzie Goodloe. Mary Johnston. Carrie Hudson. Maggie Blevins. J. Myro.

Fannie Steadmir, a negro cook for B. B. Hudson.

All three last mentioned are negroes and were killed outright.

Among the fatally injured are: Mrs. R. H. Thomas, Mrs. W. H. Thomas, wife and mother of a prominent real estate agent.

The storm did its worst damage in the neighborhood of Avenue I and J from Tenth to Thirtieth streets, wrecking scores of buildings and creating terrible havoc.

This does not include the fatalities that have been reported from the outside districts around and about Birmingham.

A reporter of the Birmingham News, who went to Irondale to investigate the storm damage, telephoned at 2 o'clock this afternoon that three persons were killed at that place and ten injured. The dead are:

G. W. Gardner, white, carpenter and two children of Clarence Hunter, colored.

Half a dozen stores were blown down and there were many narrow escapes.

In Birmingham the death list stood at 15 at 8 p. m. The fifteenth dead body found was that of a child of B. B. Hudson, a well known commission merchant, who resides on Avenue I. The total number of injured is not known.

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WASHINGTON SENDS PROTEST

Brown's Removal is Surrender of Korean Throne to Russian Influence.

Minister Allen Cables the Incident Has Caused Excitement.

IS INIMICAL TO AMERICAN INTERESTS

IF CHINA SIGNS MANCHURIAN AGREEMENT TODAY UNCLE SAM WILL HAVE SOMETHING MORE TO SAY.

Washington, March 25.—Official confirmation of the dismissal from office of McLeary Brown, director general of Korean customs, was received at the state department.

The matter is regarded as important as showing Russia's growing power in Korea. Brown's dismissal is accepted as tantamount to a complete surrender of the Korean throne to Russian influence.

This government has taken cognizance of Brown's removal in a communication to the king of Korea, setting forth the reasons why the United States regard the removal as injurious to American interests. There is much American capital in the country and Brown's administration of the customs service has been very fair to American investments. His removal may, and the substitution of Russian influence will, it is believed, endanger the commercial arrangements between this country and Korea.

American official concern in the Russo-Chinese agreement regarding Manchuria now has a chance to make itself felt. In view of Russia's repeated assurances she would not make any concessions to the Manchurian government without the concurrence of other powers, this government felt it should not question her good faith in the Manchurian matter. Brown's dismissal, however, furnishes a reason for objection

EXPRESS SAFE IN RALEIGH BLOWN OPEN BY THIEVES

Terrific Explosion Broke Windows, Drew a Crowd and Frightened the Burglars Away Empty Handed.

Raleigh, N. C., March 25.—The huge safe of the Southern Express company's office here was blown open tonight shortly before 11 o'clock by safe crackers. The concussion was so great it knocked out a plate glass window and foiled the burglars in their efforts to get money and valuables. The office of the company is located on

the principal street of the city and the report of the explosion brought a large crowd to the office. The safe crackers, of whom there were three, were frightened away, although a large sum of money was within easy reach. It was the most daring attempt at robbery ever made here. Blood hounds from the penitentiary farms have been sent for.

to Russia's attempt to get the upper hand in the east and a representation will likely be made to have Russia understand that this country must be considered a party in the settlement of the question.

If tomorrow, the last day given by Russia to China for signing the Manchurian agreement, the Chinese plenipotentiaries fix their signatures, this government may call the attention of St. Petersburg to the principle put forth by Russia that one power should make no private arrangement with China without the powers consent. Radical action is expected from Japan.

TO RECOVER MURDERED MISSIONARY'S BODY

A Crime That Shows Dangerous Conditions in China.

Pekin, March 25.—Missionaries Owen and Diggs, of the London mission, started today to recover the body of Missionary Stonehouse, who was murdered Saturday while crossing a ferry in the Tungian district, 60 miles south of Peking. The perpetrators of the crime were a band of robbers implicated in the box-car movement.

The murder illustrates the dangerous condition of the surrounding country. Local officials are forbidden to use native troops to maintain order and hence they are helpless in the present case where they are not responsible. The allied powers have already divided a large part of Chih province into spheres nominally under foreign control, but the troops are not sufficient to maintain peace and protect missionaries visiting converts and securing indemnities. Stonehouse travelled without escort through a troubled section. The missionaries hold that the murder shows clearly the mistake of the powers in refusing to include in the indemnity to be demanded a list of the losses of converts. Their ministers are thus left to arrange the matter by consultation with local officials who generally are ready to meet their desires.

The people of the Tungian district have already suffered considerably from depredations of Germans and other troops and this has made it difficult for missionaries to obtain redress.

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What did the spider do when he came out of the ark? Took a fly and went home.

ENGLAND WILL NOT REOPEN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

Chamberlain's Statement in the House of Commons.

London, March 25.—Mr. Chamberlain when asked today in the house of commons 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.

SNOW BOUND TRAINS RELEASED AND MOVING

Omaha, March 25.—The Union Pacific railroad reports this morning that the four passenger trains that were snow-bound most of the day yesterday and last night in the vicinity of Ogallala, Neb., have been relieved and are making headway. Several snowplows last night cleared the tracks between North Platte and Julesburg. The storm has abated and the danger of further blockades is believed to be past.

MRS. NATION'S PROTEST TO A SALOON KEEPER

St. Louis, March 25.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, the Kansas saloon smasher, passed through here today en route to Cincinnati. While waiting for her train she visited a liquor establishment on Market street and vainly expostulated

BURNED TO DEATH IN A COLLIERY

Cornellville, Pa., March 25.—A special train composed of a box car and a fast engine brought into Cornellville today the most frightful host of groaning, blackened and unrecognizable men ever hauled into this town. These were the victims of a terrible mine explosion at the Gates mine of the Eureka Fuel company in the new Klondike coke field in this (Fayette) county. The mine has been worked only a few months, and the cause of the explosion was probably accumulated gas. Twenty-eight men went into the pit to work this morning. Of this number sixteen were injured in the explosion.

As soon after the explosion as possible a force of men was put to the rescue. A great crowd of grief-stricken wives and relatives surrounded the shaft, one by one the burned men were found, and sixteen were found to be terribly burned. Seven died soon after they were reached by the rescuers. Nine still lived and these were put into a box car. A fast engine was attached and this hospital express was rushed at full speed to Cornellville, where they were placed in the hospital.

Three or four of the injured men will probably die. All are terribly burned and some have lost their eyes. The dead miners were taken to their desolate homes.

JAPAN HAS NOT YET CALLED RUSSIA DOWN

Yokohama, March 25.—In the house of peers today the minister for foreign affairs said Japan had not communicated with Russia in regard to the Manchurian agreement. The matter of the dismissal from office of Minister McCleary Brown, director-general of Korean customs, as announced yesterday from Seoul, is reported to have been settled.

NEWSPAPER REPORTERS STRIKE

Columbus, O., March 25.—The entire local staff employed on the Press-Post went out on a strike this morning. The proprietor of the paper had been given until 9 o'clock this morning to sign the scale of the newly formed Writers' Association, but failed to do so. It is understood that the management is making an effort to settle the dispute.

DELAREY DEFEATED WITH GREAT LOSS

Many Boers Killed and Wounded and 140 Prisoners.

London, March 25.—General Buller, in a Pretoria despatch dated March 25 says: "Babington's force, including Skekilton's column, defeated DeLarey, 1,500 strong southwest of Vanderdorp, and having defeated him followed him up rapidly, with the result that the Boer rear guard was driven in and the convoy, including guns, was captured at Vaal Bank."

Kitchener gives a list of the guns captured. One hundred and forty prisoners were taken, and many Boers were taken and wounded. The British losses were slight.

SALISBURY NOT SERIOUSLY ILL.

London, March 25.—The report that Lord Salisbury is ill is somewhat exaggerated. He suffered from a slight cold in the head yesterday but is better today.

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45 inches wide, just the fabric for hat trimming, black, white, blue, and pink. Usually sold at 75c. For this sale... 39c

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