

STORMS AND FLOODS.

Destruction Wrought at Various Points in the South.

HELENA, ARK., March 30.—A tornado of unusual velocity swept through this section last evening, doing considerable damage. In this city quite a number of buildings were blown down and turned over. The Atlantic Beer Garden was blown over on the roof of a one-story frame house adjoining, crushing through the roof and setting fire to it from a cooking stove. By great effort the fire was extinguished before it had time to spread. The walls of the Helena Opera House and other large buildings, remnants of the late fire, were blown to the ground. The coal fleet was swept out into the river and the distress signals of the boats added to the confusion. The county court house was unroofed and stripped of its window blinds. The glass doors and windows were smashed in like egg-shells. The direction of the tornado was from west to east. From parties who have come to the city since the tornado it is learned that west of the hills, which act as a barrier to the city, it was more violent than here, leveling houses before it. It is impossible to travel on many of the roads leading from the city west and northwest, except on foot, owing to the trees blown across them. No serious damage to life was done that can be learned. Owing to the losses being scattered it is impossible to estimate them.

NORTH CAROLINA DOTS.

News Notes Gathered at Raleigh from Various Points.

[Telegram to the Richmond Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., March 31.—Mrs. Mary Bayard Clarke died at her home, at Newbern, early this morning, of paralysis. Her age was fifty-eight. She was a relative of the Pollock, Devereux, and Bayard families. Her father was the late Thomas Pollock Devereux, of this city. She was the best-known female writer in the State, and very prominent in the South. She collected fugitive poems by North Carolina women and published them. Just before the war she was engaged in literary work here, at Richmond, and at Chicago. Her writings were characterized by grace and her poems were melodious. Her husband, Colonel William J. Clarke, an efficient officer in the Mexican war and the late war, died two months ago. Governor Scales today pardoned John McLarty, a negro who at the last term of Union county Court was convicted of larceny and sent to the penitentiary. He is dying of consumption, and the Governor's pardon restores him to his family for but a few weeks at most.

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PRACTICAL TO THE LAST.

A Negro on the Scaffold Takes Up a Collection for Funeral Expenses.

GADSDEN, Texas, April 1.—At Martin at noon yesterday Wash. Washington, colored, was executed in the presence of 5,000 persons, for the murder of Will Durden a year ago. The condemned man confessed his guilt on the scaffold, and said it was right that he should be hanged. He stated that he was instigated to the crime by Ephraim Durden, his half-brother. Durden was immediately arrested, on the strength of Washington's confession. Washington exhibited great nerve. He rode on his coffin from the jail to the scaffold. After admitting his large audience of colored people to avoid the pitfalls which brought him to the scaffold, he said he wanted his body to be buried in an adjoining county. He passed his hat around for contributions to defray the expenses of transporting his body. He gathered \$22, for which he heartily thanked the donors. He took his place on the scaffold, the noose was adjusted and in a moment his neck was broken.

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FLOODS IN EAST TENNESSEE.

CHATTANOOGA, March 30.—Unprecedented rains have fallen in this section for the past forty-eight hours, the total rainfall varying from eight to ten inches throughout the Upper Tennessee water shed. At 8 p. m. the river here marked 55 feet and is rising at the rate of ten inches per hour. Advances from above indicate that the rise will reach 45 feet and may go to 50 feet. No passenger or freight trains on any of the eight railroads have left the city or arrived since last night, and there is no prospect of traffic being resumed to-morrow. On the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Road heavy washouts and slides have occurred between here and London, Tenn., and heavy slides on the Georgia division of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia.

On the Cincinnati Southern a small bridge at Rock Creek has been carried away. The tracks of the Nashville and Chattanooga, Alabama Great Southern, and Memphis and Charleston Railroads, at the foot of Lookout Mountain, are undermined by torrents of water and the bridges in the vicinity of the mountain are in danger. An engine on the Alabama Great Southern Railway ran into a landslide and was precipitated down an embankment. No one was seriously hurt.

On the Western and Atlantic Road a culvert was washed out near Grayville, and a slide occurred at the mouth of the tunnel near Tunnel Hill. No damage of consequence can be done here unless the river rises over forty-eight feet.

A dispatch from Rockwood, Tenn., says that 200 feet of railroad track washed out, and the coke ovens of the Roane Iron Company are badly damaged. At Emory Gap, Emory Run marks seventy feet, and the bridge of the Cincinnati Southern Road is in danger. At Dayton, Tenn., the back waters are inundating the town, and many are driven from their homes. At Rising Fawn, Ga., water flooded the coal mines and one miner was drowned. The Rising Fawn furnaces were compelled to shut down, and a coal famine is apprehended at Dayton and Rockwood unless traffic is speedily resumed, and the same is probable here, which will compel the largest iron plants to shut down.

THE FLOOD IN NORTH GEORGIA.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 30.—A special to the Constitution from North Georgia and Alabama show heavy losses from freshets. It has rained continuously since last Sunday evening, and at midnight to-night is pouring in torrents. The rainfall in Atlanta has already been over ten inches.

Rivers are flooded and great loss of property is reported. Every railroad leading out of Atlanta has suspended traffic. Many bridges are down, and it is thought others will fall to-night. The Rome and Carrollton Narrow Gauge Road is almost washed away. The Western and Atlantic Road has loaded its bridges with freight cars. The East Tennessee is terribly washed and the Atlanta and West Point is greatly damaged. The long bridge across the Chattahoochee at West Point is reeling and it is believed it will fall to-night. Telegraphic communication is cut off from West Point and Rome and throughout north Georgia. Merchants and residents in the low places have moved to the second stories and the towns are several feet under water. It is estimated that the damage will amount to two million dollars, and it may be more.

ONE FUNERAL MAKES MANY.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 30.—A special to the Advertiser states that a cyclone swept across a portion of Bullock County, about fifty miles east of here to-day, and in its path struck a negro church in which a funeral was going on. The church was blown down and four persons were killed and ten badly injured.

THE FLOOD IN THE CHATTAHOOCHEE.

COLUMBUS, Ga., March 30.—Rain here to-day has been incessant. The Chattahoochee River is higher than ever before known and fears are entertained that the bridge will be carried away. Four steamboats are water-bound and fears of a crash from drift and floating bridges are apprehended. Low-country farms are damaged many thousand dollars. The river is still rising six inches per hour.

FOUR MEN AND ONE WOMAN DROWNED.

RALEIGH, March 31.—Night before last three men—William Cook, Frank Ramsey, Mich Buckner, and one woman, Anna Jenkins, while attempting to cross Tuckaseegee river in a boat near Charlotte, Swain county, were drowned, and their bodies have not yet been recovered or even heard of. The men had been drinking, and were too drunk to properly manage the boat, which capsized and threw all into the water. A large party of excited citizens have been searching in vain for the bodies. The search will be kept up until all are recovered. The men are well-known residents of that section.

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