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A more delightful time could not be selected, as early in September is the most attractive season of the year for parties to visit Niagara Falls and the East, time will be spent in Toronto, during the Great Canadian Fair, and also during the opening of the theatrical season in New York, Philadelphia and Washington. Those interested should write to the undersigned at once for detailed information, illustrated booklets, and the first applications get the lower berths.

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THE CAROLINAS VISITED BY DISASTROUS FLOODS.

The Piedmont Section Experiences the Highest Waters Ever Known—Many Bridges Washed Away, Railroad Falls Caves and Traffic is Almost Entirely Blocked—In South Carolina Several Lives Were Lost and Cotton Mills Destroyed—Mail Service Greatly Hampered and Telegraph and Telephone Connections Badly Damaged—Crops Suffer to Large Extent.

Millions of dollars lost in bridges, buildings and crops; several lives lost in various parts of the country and great delays in railroad transportation, in mail deliveries and extreme difficulty in obtaining telegraph and telephone communication are the main features of the most serious flood that has, so far as records are known, visited the South Atlantic States. Especially has the Piedmont section of North and South Carolina suffered and it will be days yet before anything like an accurate estimate of the total losses can be made. Following scattered and intermittent rains last week, a steady downpour of rain prevailed generally over this section from Sunday until yesterday. In Gaston county the South Fork river and Long creek, the two largest streams, have been out of their banks and higher than they have been within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. The rural mail carriers have been greatly hampered in carrying their routes and in some instances were cut off entirely.

BRIDGES WASHED AWAY.

Perhaps the most disastrous calamity was the washing away of a hundred-foot span of the vehicle toll bridge at Camden, S. C., carrying with it twenty-five people who were on the bridge watching the raging Wateree. Yesterday all of the twenty-five had been accounted for as safe except two white men and three negroes. Whether they were drowned or washed down the river and got out alive is not known, though the probabilities are that they lost their lives. The loss here was \$15,000. Several trestles of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad on the Columbia division were washed away and others were rendered dangerous to such an extent that trains could not cross over them. A passenger train from Savannah to Columbia had a narrow escape near Columbia yesterday morning. The benches of the wooden approaches to the steel bridge at this point sagged and the rails spread. The cars careened dangerously on the bridge and it was with great difficulty that the cars were finally gotten off the bridge.

FACTORIES DESTROYED.

Concerning the damage in and around Greenville, S. C., yesterday's Charlotte Observer says: At Reedy river factory, ten miles from Greenville, water is standing three feet deep in the second floor and the machine shop and other out-buildings have been washed away. Taylor's Mill, on the Enoree, near Clark Springs, was destroyed yesterday afternoon. Two cottages and a store at the foot of North Main street in Greenville have been swept away by Reedy river. The big plant of the Markley Hardware and Manufacturing Company, at Greenville, the oldest carriage factory in the South, has been seriously damaged. It lies just north of the Main street bridge and is partly built over the water. Water is standing five feet deep in the Camperdown Mill, just below the Main street bridge at Greenville. Water is up to the second floor of the Enoree Cotton Mills in Laurens county.

Both the Morris quarry, near Oconee, and the Ross quarry at Cayce, both in the suburbs of Columbia, will sustain serious damage. The Morris quarry is one vast lake. The dams and dikes have been obliterated, tools and machinery are under water and the power house has caved into the water. It will cost a great deal to pump out the water and more probably to remove the mud with which the workings will be covered. The dikes at the Ross quarry have held so far but they are giving way now and will go under the increased state of water that is here. This quarry has tremendous contracts on hand, among them one to furnish the stone for the great jetties being built by the government at Fernandina, Fla.

Perhaps the railroads have suffered more from the flood than anybody Tuesday a washout between Greenville, S. C., and Greens, S. C., blocked traffic between Charlotte and Atlanta, no trains being able to go through. No attempt has been made to keep schedules. Only one or two mails reached Gastonia Wednesday and none Wednesday night. Yesterday morning's mail from the North on No. 39 was quite heavy be-

cause of the accumulation. The probabilities are that it will be some days yet, even with good weather, before regular schedules can be maintained on this division of the Southern.

Wednesday the north-bound C. & N.-W. passenger got no farther than Harden, though yesterday it was able to make the trip through to Le noir. South of Gastonia no difficulty has been experienced. It will doubtless be several weeks before trains can be run through to Edgemont as the track is washed out in several places along Wilson's creek below Mortimer.

"Gaston county," remarked an observant citizen yesterday, "has fared pretty well during these disastrous times, though the loss in the matter of damages to crops has been quite heavy. No bridges have been washed away and no lives have been lost. The heaviest losers, of course, have been the farmers along the river. Bottom land corn has suffered heavily and cotton also considerably damaged. As compared with some other sections, however, Gaston has fared well."

As stated in Tuesday's Gazette much apprehension was felt as to the safety of the dam and power plant at Spencer Mountain from which Gastonia gets its light and power. The power plant was flooded Monday and has been out of operation since that time. The city, however, has not suffered on this score, as the Spencer Mountain Company has an arrangement whereby they can at any time connect up with the Southern Power Company.

Some damage has resulted to the roads in the county and to some of the streets in town. In a few places the dirt side of the macadam roads has been pretty badly washed but no serious damage has been reported.

A telephone message Wednesday night was to the effect that the Holland covered bridge over Long creek below Dallas had suffered considerably from the floods. It was not washed away but one end was loose and swinging, rendering it of course, impassable.

Wednesday many people from Gastonia, Lowell and from the country went to McAdenville to see the South Fork river, which was to use an ordinary expression, "on a rampage." About noon Wednesday the water was lapping the floor of the bridge which is some fifteen feet perhaps above the usual water level. The torrents of water rolling over the dam made a sight worth going to see. On Tuesday and Tuesday night, according to the statement of McAdenville people who were on the scene, many logs and great quantities of debris came down the stream. It was the general opinion that, had the water gotten 12 or 18 inches higher the bridge would have been unsafe. Its piers, however, are built of heavy masonry. Water rose into some of the mill houses below the mill and the families occupying the same were forced to move out. All day Wednesday there was a crowd around the bridge and the vicinity of the dam. So far as could be learned no one now living had ever seen the South Fork at this place so high.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury, as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists. Price, 75c. per bottle.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Obadiah Gardner, the Democratic candidate for Governor of Maine, offers to retire in six months after election if he does not keep his promise to enforce all the laws.

CANDIDATES EXPENSES.

Some Interesting Items Returned by Cansler, of Tirzah, Yorkville Enquirer, 25th.

In accordance with the law, the various candidates for State offices submitted statements of campaign expenses with the secretary of state yesterday. Governor Ansel's total expenses amounted to \$186.93. Various others gave their expenses as follows: O. B. Martin, \$624; W. W. Lumpkin, \$345.25; George Johnstone, 296.55; E. D. Smith, \$501.25; John Gary Evans, \$877.12; John P. Grace, \$600.85; R. G. Rhett, \$5,601.04; Cole L. Blease, \$826; James Cansler, \$221.25; J. A. Summersett, \$730; B. L. Caughman, \$508.60; H. W. Richardson, \$602.40; J. C. Boyd, \$482.50; H. T. Thompson, \$410.90; E. C. Elmore, \$261.40; S. R. Mellichamp, \$439.64; J. E. Swearingin, \$518.22; D. E. Finley, \$217. The statement of Cansler, of Tirzah, for railroad commissioner, is the most interesting. It is also made out in the candidates own handwriting and is fully itemized. Mr. Cansler two years ago included one bath in his statement of expenses, and was grieved considerably by The Anderson Daily Mail. This year he has nine baths, at twenty-five cents a bath, and specifies that three of them were full length baths and six were half or tub baths. He also includes every shoe shine and shave for which he paid during the campaign and twenty-five cents for having his pants pressed on one occasion. He gave one dollar to the blind.

Chance to be a Soldier.

Charlotte Observer. Shelby, Aug. 26.—Congressman E. Y. Webb will soon appoint a cadet to the United States Military Academy and he desires any young men in the district who wish to compete for this appointment to notify him at once. If there is more than one applicant he will hold a competitive examination. The applicants must not be under 17 or over 22 years of age at the date of admission to the military academy and not less than 5 feet 4 inches in height at the age of 17 or less than 5 feet 5 inches in height at the age of 18 and upward.

Mr. Webb will appoint two alternates so that if the principal fails the alternates will receive consideration for the appointment. Mr. Webb's appointee must report at Columbus Barracks, O., for examination on the second Tuesday in January, 1909, and if he passes successfully the examination, he will be admitted into the academy on the first day of March, 1909.

Handbook Nearly Ready.

The statement is made from State Democratic headquarters that the Democratic handbook, for the impending campaign will be ready for distribution throughout the State early next week and that it will contain about 200 pages, treating comprehensively the issues of the campaign as they apply in this State.

Gifford Pinchot, who is believed to be slated for a cabinet position in the event of Taft's election, is chief forester of the department of agriculture and one of the leaders in the movement for the conservation of the nation's natural resources. In 1892 he began the first systematic work in the United States, at Baltimore, N. C.

Prison records show that more female prisoners have previous records against them than males.

GOOD NEWS.

Many Gastonia Readers Have Heard It and Profited Thereby.

"Good news travels fast," and the thousands of bad back sufferers in Gastonia are glad to learn that prompt relief is within their reach. Many a lame, weak and aching back is bad no more, thanks to Doan's Kidney Pills. Our citizens are telling the good news of their experience with the Old Quaker Remedy. Here is an example worth reading:

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Ice Cream Supper.

The Sunday School of the Franklin Avenue Methodist church will give an ice cream supper at the church to-night, beginning at seven o'clock. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the church.

Body Taken to High Point.

Mrs. Rosa Fields died Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at her home on West Air Line street after an illness of some time, death resulting from tuberculosis. She was 28 years of age and is survived by her husband who accompanied the body on No. 12 Wednesday to High Point for burial. Mr. and Mrs. Fields moved to Gastonia from High Point several years ago.

Principal for Central School.

A meeting of the city board of school commissioners was held at the office of Mr. R. P. Rankin Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. All the members were present except Chairman C. B. Armstrong and Secretary J. R. Rankin. The only business of importance transacted was the election of a principal for the Central school. Prof. J. B. Warren, of Durham, was chosen for this position. This is the first year the Central school has had a principal and the innovation is rendered necessary by reason of the continued growth of the city school system.

Highest in 97 Years.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Rhyne and child were among yesterday's business visitors in Gastonia and paid The Gazette office a pleasant visit. Mr. Rhyne lives near Philadelphia church on the Vestal Ford road, some three miles north of Dallas. He reported that water was ten inches deep on the floor of Philadelphia church, something not known within the memory of the oldest inhabitant of that section of the county. According to information handed down this is the highest water in that section since 1811, ninety-seven years ago. In that year water was up high enough for canoes to go through the windows. Mr. Rhyne also stated that on Wednesday the water lacked only 14 inches of touching the bed of Vestal Ford bridge.

Answer to Problem.

The honor of returning the first correct solution to the mathematical puzzle contained in our Kings Mountain letter last issue goes to Mr. M. L. Mauney, of this city. Mr. Mauney's school days were over quite a while ago, but he has never lost his liking for difficult mathematical problems and on Wednesday he brought us his solution of the above mentioned problem. The problem read: A father gave each of his three daughters a basket of eggs, requiring that each should sell them at the same price per dozen and the same price for each extra egg over an even dozen and bring back the same amount. To the first he gave 85 eggs, to the second 50 and to the third 15. The solution is as follows: The price at which they sold them was one cent per dozen and 3 cents each for extras. The first girl received 7 cents for seven dozen eggs and 3 cents for the extra one, making 10 cents; the second received 4 cents for four dozen and 6 cents for two extras, making 10 cents; and the third received 1 cent for one dozen and 9 cents for three extra ones, making 10 cents. So they all sold their eggs at the same price and brought back the same amount of money, 10 cents each, and received the beautiful present.

Ansel's Majority 15,000.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 26.—Owing to flood conditions, reports of yesterday's Democratic primary have been delayed. On the face of present returns it appears that Governor Ansel has been nominated for re-election over C. L. Blease by no less than 15,000 votes.

For United States Senator the race was very close between E. D. Smith, J. G. Evans and R. G. Rhett. It seems likely that Smith and Evans will have to go before a second primary. In the contested congressional districts Aiken, Patterson and Finley appear to have won. Ellerbe and Hodges will have a second primary to settle their contest.

Notice of Sale.

On Saturday, September 12th, 1908, I will sell at public auction for cash at the residence of the late William McIntosh, deceased, at Lucia, Gaston county, N. C., the following personal property, to wit: 1 mare, 1 one-horse wagon, buggy and harness, wind mill, corn sheller, 40 gallon kettle, farming tools, household and kitchen furniture and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Julius P. Hager,
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Gastonia, N. C.

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In some of the Austrian schools elocution is taught to a certain extent by the use of the phonograph, through which the pupils are made familiar with the famous speeches of history.

The horses of Iceland are shod with sheep's horns.

The cow tree of Venezuela is a natural dairy. Its sap is very similar to milk and is used as such by the natives.

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