

DEATH'S WHIRL!

Over One Hundred People by a Cyclone. DEATH ON ALL SIDES. MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Feb. 19—One of the correspondents of the Chicago Times is sending the following story to his own paper, and by that paper's courtesy it is duplicated by the Associated Press: At 5 o'clock this afternoon a cyclone struck this town and left it in ruins, killing 15 to 20 people; and it is feared many more than are now known to have been killed will be found among the ruins of the buildings. Fire immediately broke out all over the city among the ruins, spreading rapidly, owing to the damage done to the engines by the wind. The storm passed from the southwest and had a rotary motion. It swept down with fearful fury, striking first just south of the city hall, then carrying away the third and fourth stories of the Mt. Vernon mill. From there it swept on in a path 500 yards wide. The Methodist church fell just a few minutes before 250 people had left the Sunday-school room. The Commercial Hotel lost its third story. Next the wind struck the county court-house and rendered it a heap of ruins. By rare luck, however, the court records were saved. The crew's block, on the south side of the square, is level with the earth, and under it was found the body of John Crew, the owner of the block, formerly of Chicago. The roof and second-story of Stratton & Co's hardware store was blown away. One large two-story brick school-house did not withstand the terrible shock any better than the smallest house in the track of the cyclone. The large two-story frame house of George Ward was picked up and carried about 20 feet and left unhurt, while two brick buildings in 100 feet were left in ruins. The loss can not be estimated, but not less than a million dollars' worth of property has been destroyed by the cyclone and fire. The sky has cleared and no clouds give any intimation of the disastrous storm of a few hours ago. It is growing colder and many homeless people will suffer if the weather becomes severe. Reports are coming in from the country, and the storm seems to have swept everything for miles. The incalculable loss of life and great suffering will follow unless outside assistance is given. A meeting of business men has been held and committees appointed to care for the dead and wounded, and protect the property as much as possible. Many people who escaped with their lives have nothing besides. Many are walking the streets with no home to go to. The north side of the court house square is injured considerably, but no buildings were completely wrecked excepting Howard & Stratton's. The wounded are being cared for by the physicians in the best possible manner. The railroad shops were badly damaged and a great number of houses destroyed. The people are outdoors who lived in the track of the storm. The dead and dying are scattered throughout the city. All the doors of the remaining houses have been thrown open to the less fortunate. Three fourths of the business portion of the city is ruined financially. The public square is in the centre of the town, the court-house is in the centre of the square, the school building is in the northeast corner of the city, and all the dwellings in that portion of the city are destroyed, and the ruins of some are still burning. In all 500 buildings are destroyed and many others injured. The dead are now being gathered at the Supreme Court-house, which has been converted into a hospital for the dead and wounded. This building is also damaged, but not seriously. The latest reports show 29 dead and about 100 injured, some of whom will die before morning. Later reports say two more have died. They are Eddie Maxey and Mrs. Colonel Cooper. A number of the wounded are dying. A number of men who were struck by falling timbers, and whose names cannot be learned at present, are reported badly injured and dying. The storm was preceded by hail, but not more than five minutes elapsed until the fearful destroyer had swept over the doomed town. It came from the southwest. Buildings were wrenched and twisted, and then dashed to pieces, total wrecks. The storm passed a little south of the city hall, missed Joe Chances' house, swept away the third and fourth stories of the Mount Vernon mill, and destroyed nearly every house from the mill north for a space of about 500 yards. The Commercial Hotel lost third story. Kelley hurt in the back, knee and left foot. Telegraph Operator Allen bruised and cut about the head. Give Them A Chance! That is to say, your lungs. Also all your breathing machinery. Very wonderful machinery it is. Not only the larger air-passages, but the thousands of little tubes and cavities leading from them. 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LOCALS AND GENERAL NEWS.

ROLLED FROM THE COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE. Our roads have thawed through and travel on them is next to impossible. The seine haulers are now at work at busy as bees, try to catch a market of fish. There are many complaints of inefficiency of the commanders of oyster navy steamers. "No man can attend properly to his business who doesn't keep straight" says a temperance paper. How about the tortionist? We have no hesitation in calling a dairymaid a butter-face. Articles of her manufacture become strong enough to support almost anything in time. A poor writer ought to become an expert this winter. There are many petitions in circulation that the ink hardly dries on one before you are asked to sign another. The Postoffice at Salisbury was robbed on the night of the 14th of \$1,700. On Friday the thieves were safely housed in one of Uncle Sam's free boarding houses and the stolen goods recovered. Our Congressman the Hon. C. H. Gibson, is receiving congratulations and praise from the press and city delegates in the legislature, for his efforts in behalf of Baltimore harbor. "The laborer is worthy his hire." On Saturday last, Officer Greaves, arrested Henry Bedford and Richard Homier, colored, for fighting. They were tried before Esquire Winchester, who fine Bedford \$5 and costs \$2.87. Homier was released. An attack was made by some dredgers on the schooner Folly, last Saturday night at Sandy point. After the firing ceased it was found that sails and hull of the Folly was perforated in many places and one man killed, a captain of a dredge boat. All the signs point to inevitable war in Europe in a short time. But we will have war here before they do our Winchester oysters brought their cannon over on the Str. B. S. Ford on Tuesday, so that we may expect to hear the boom of the cannon nearer home. The secret service division of the Treasury Department has discovered that a counterfeit of the five dollar silver certificate has been put in circulation. The bill is about three sixteens of an inch too short. There are no distinctive lines in the paper. The general appearance is good and liable to deceive. A sporting man named Chas. Ribbins offers to bet \$5,000 against \$2,000 that James Albert did not walk 621 miles in the race at Madison Square Garden, and that he cannot walk 550 miles in six days. If Ribbins bet is accepted he will prove that the 621 miles were accomplished by Albert and his twin brother, who look precisely like, by walking alternately. One of our Western exchanges says that a practical revivalist requested all in the congregation who paid their debts to rise. The rising was general. After they had taken their seats a call was made for those who didn't pay their debts and one solitary individual arose, who explained that he was the editor, and could not, because the rest of the congregation were owing him; their subscriptions. Same here. Mr. R. C. Forman intending to discontinue farming, will offer at public sale on the farm where he resides, situated on the public road leading from Wye Mills to Queenstown and about two miles from the former place, on Thursday, March 8th, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. a large and valuable lot of personal property, consisting of five horses, three pairs of mules, 22 head of cattle, 3 brood sows, 37 shoats, 22 head of sheep, Champion binder, drills and a lot of farming implements generally. Also lot of household and kitchen furniture. See ad for particulars. On Thursday night last the Schir. Frolic, captured the purgy Lena Blum of Deal's Island, Capt. John White, for illegal dredging in Eastern bay. He was tried before Esquire Seth of Talbot county, who imposed a fine of \$50 and costs. This is one of the famous Cuckoo fleet. They also captured the Schir. Annie Wylie, Capt. Edward Dorsey, same offence and tried and fined the same amount by Justice Seth. Our justices are not severe enough in their fines in many of these cases. The first of the above cases is one of the cuckoo fleet that are a constant annoyance to the police force on account of their illegal traffic. The second case that of the Annie Wylie, is the third time he has been arrested for illegal dredging. In cases of second and third conviction the full penalty of the law should be enforced. Orphans' Court. This court met pursuant to adjournment. Present, John Dodd, chief justice; Edward S. Valliant and James R. Sudler, associate justices. Ordered, that the second guardian account of A. R. Weedon and Florence M. Rasin, as guardian under the act of Assembly of 1830, to Nettie Rasin and Rosa Rasin, minor daughters of Joseph O. Rasin, deceased, for the year 1887, be received, filed and recorded. Ordered, that the second and final account of Dr. Wm. Denny, acting as administrator of William Erickson, deceased, be received, filed and recorded. Ordered, that the Register of Wills, have published in each of the newspapers printed and published in Queen Anne's county, during three success weeks, the notice of this court to delinquent administrators, executors and guardians. The court adjourned to meet Tuesday next.

SHORT STOPS.

The last snow is the bed for grass seed. Any fool can farm—so long as his money and credit last. Water is often mistaken for disease among the new litters. The crop that makes the profit is the crop that beats the average. Tiling has doubled some men's farms—not broader, but twice as deep. Straight rows are more pleasing to the eye and less tiresome to the hand. The oldest resident can't remember when a great fodder crop came amiss. Jack Frost about stakes and posts making work for the man on top of them. Foresight is so much more valuable than hindsight because it is so much scarcer. Wind, rot, and a breachy animal, like the measles, always find the weakest spot. Better begin the spring with only one pair of trousers than without a grinstone. While condemning that which deserves it, don't forget to commend work well done. The man who leans upon novelties is apt to fall into a very old thing—a paper's grave. The doctor who rejoices at clean premises and good gardens loves his neighbor as himself. Work is hard to drive, but if you will put yourself ahead of it will follow without trouble. Last year's cornstalk will be a troublesome neighbor to the roots of this year's corn plants. If a much distended udder threatens garget, put the cow on dry feed and milk her before calving. Corn planted before the ground was warm, caught a cold that made it billions looking all summer. The man who scours his plow in the spring does his only hard work on the highway at that time. The heat of the disowned lamb accuses, not its dam, but an incompetent or a careless shepherd. A day gained in the spring will be of more value than the idea caught floating around the stove in the village store. Steady pulling doesn't bear on galled shoulders and chafed sides," thought the horse while the uncolled harness was beckled on. Early to plow and early to reap. The granaries all with golden grain heap. If the horses are frisky do not turn them in the lot together while they are fresh shod. They are apt to injure each other with the sharp calks. Galls are rarely seen on the horses' shoulders bathed night and morning with strong salt water, beginning a month before the spring plowing. In warm weather use sweat-pads under the collar.—American Agriculturalist for March. WINCHESTER ITEMS. The long talked of cannon arrived at Queenstown, on Tuesday last, and was hauled down here in time to fire three salutes in honor of Washington's birth day. The gun is a steel piece, mounted on wheels, 34 inches bore rifle barrels, 7 feet long, carries a 10 pound ball and is warranted to do good work at the distance of 3 miles. The entire weight is 1236 pounds. She is a little daisy. The tongmen seems proud of her and now want to join in with Kent Island for a gun for that place—as they contributed considerable towards this one. Two such guns no doubt would do much toward keeping the dredgers from our waters, or at least such a wholesale plunder of our oyster bars. The oysters taken by these boats in the last two weeks—at the lowest figure—would amount to 100,000 bushels. It is of course a great loss for our county and entirely kills the spring work of the oystermen. The merchants suffer as well. "Is a cause brought on by lawless and unprincipled men. Mr. J. B. Brown and Commander Plowman both deserve credit for the exertions they have used in trying to protect our waters. They are but two men butting against several hundred. Had it not been for the two gentlemen the dredgers would have completely broke the bars up. Give credit where credit is due, though the heavens fall. A C X. CENTREVILLE ITEMS. How is Queenstown surviving the monotony of mud and winter? Rumor reaches us that there is an effort being made to pour water upon the exhilarating spirits of your quiet little town. May the son of Inpiter protect his children. A petition from the citizens of Winchester, asking for a voting precinct, was in Centreville, and freely and cheerfully endorsed by all citizens to whom it may meet with the fullest approbation of our representatives in the Legislature. There can be no reasonable objection offered to this move, and all who oppose it should be remembered by the people of Winchester as "dog in-the-manger men." Centreville has been entertaining the remnants of a Church Hill Xmas frolic. A Mr. Johnson was tried for performing with shot the pants, of one Mr. Clough. The trial was somewhat out the usual order of thing, from the fact that counsel was employed not only to defend Johnson but counsel was also by Clough employed to defend either him or his breeches, we are at loss to say which whilst the State was not represented by any counsel whatever. The testimony closed last Wednesday, the justice adjourned holding the case subjudice. Aside from this we have not another happening to chronicle, more anon. EARTHQUAKE.

A Night Attack.

The schooner Eastern bay, while laying hove to on dredge line on Thursday night last, about 8.30, watching a fleet of dredge vessels lying at anchor in Kent point harbor, sighted a fleet of vessels coming around Kent point into Eastern bay. The captain of the Frolic supposing them to be dredgers had the Frolic put by the wind and backed down to meet them. When the first vessel was reached she was hailed from the Frolic and told that they might go on up the bay but he would find trouble, as the oysters were heavily leaded. In answer to this the dredgers held their vessels by the wind and Capt. Bryan concluded they were not going to give him any trouble. The Frolic was kept hard away and jibed to go back on the dredge line, but when about the centre of the fleet of vessels the first vessel that went about opened fire with 3 Winchester rifles on the Frolic. The fire was returned so vigorously that the soon ceased their attack. The Frolic gave chase, but finding they would reach the fleet at anchor so far ahead of them, that it would be impossible to identify the boats. The Frolic was put about and went after some sloops that fire at her while chasing the fleet. One was singled out as the one from which they shots came, she was soon overhauled, but having no positive proof that the shots came from this boat, and the captain of her declaring positively that they did not shoot of had any arms aboard, she was released. As the Frolic passed the other sloops they hailed her by declaring they did not shoot. The Frolic is still in Eastern bay and has some lead left, if the dredgers don't think so, let them try steal over that line. An eye witness. Bad for Bohemian Oats. The following may prove of interest to many persons in Queen Anne's, especially to those who have purchased notes of the Bohemian Oats Company, which is recognized as identical with the Hulless Oats Company. A special dispatch to the Philadelphia Press from Lansing, Michigan, says: The Court to-day reversed the decision of the lower court of McNamara vs. Gaggitt. In 18-5, Gaggitt purchased Bohemian Oats and gave his note A. A. Griffin, who sold the note to McNamara, Gaggitt refused to pay the note claiming that there had not been adequate consideration, and was used on it, the giving a judgement for note and interest against him. He carried the case to the Supreme Court, and that court ruled that the contract for, which the note was given was fraudulent, and therefore, not binding on the defendant. The terms of the contract are at war with public policy, says the court, and therefore null and void. This decision settles over a hundred cases now on file in the lower courts, and will result in saving the farmers from the clutches of the Bohemian Oats Company, a wild cat organized company of swindlers that have bed the farmers of Michigan of thousands of dollars. The verdict is the result of favorable comment, and there can be no more Bohemian oat contracts in Michigan: The court condemns the scheme, and will make void notes for \$50,000 in this State. READ THIS. We are bound to improve the News this year. We want to make it a family necessity and a doubly welcomed visitor in every household in our county. To do this it is very necessary to have the news from all parts of the county. Now we cannot be everywhere at once therefore we need assistance. We want some lady or gentleman at Stevensville, Winchester, Centreville, Carmichael, Church Hill, Crompton and Hope, to send us weekly the news items of their neighborhood. To any one who will do this during the present year, we will furnish all necessary stationary and stamps needed during the year, and at Christmas '88 we promise to remember them in a such generous way that they will never regret having helped us and the people of this county. Any one wishing to help us, can send us a letter at once, sign their full name and address also their non de plume under which the public shall know them. Don't be afraid you can't write for the press, give us the fact and we will finish it. Address all communications "The News," Queenstown, Md. The Corsica Bridge. The board of county commissioners advertise for sealed proposals to build a bridge across Corsica River, at Centreville Landing, between the residences of Capt. C. H. Clash and J. H. Ozmon to the land of W. T. P. Turpin. NOTICE. Is hereby given to all delinquent guardians, executors and administrators, to render accounts to the Orphans' Court on or before the first day of this office to all who are liable will be required to return accounts once in each year as directed by law. Executors and administrators will also be required to comply with the terms of the law directing settlement of estate. (Italics) Notices to be issued from this office to all who disregard this notice. The Register is instructed to cause this notice, to be published in each of the newspapers of Queen Anne's county, Md. By ORDER OF COURT. THOMAS A. BRYAN, Register of Wills. FOR RENT FOR 1888. I have for rent a four room dwelling house, and about 10 acres of land, situated on Greenwood's creek. The property is now vacant and the party renting for the year 1888, can have possession at once. For terms apply to J. M. AKER, Agt. Queenstown Md.

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