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A HOPEFUL FEELING.

Breadstuffs Active and Higher and Provision Staples Advancing.

Special telegrams to Bradstreet's emphasize the favorable crop reports of the past fortnight, and while indicating no special revival in general trade, except in sugar, show that the feeling in business circles at larger cities is more hopeful, owing to the improved crop outlook and renewed buying at some points in the interior. The distributive movement has slackened in some lines at Kansas City, Burlington, Iowa, San Francisco and Galveston, At most other points the situation is practically unchanged. At Chicago, Omaha, Minneapolis and St. Paul there are signs of an early expansion of the demand in tributary regions,

The New York steek market continued strong in the early part of the week, but declined a little later on realization of profits and owing to the absence of further buying power, the public baving failed to enter the market to any extent. Bonds are strong and advancing, with a good investment demand. Money at New York is a shale less easy. Call loans, however, are 1 and 134 per cent. Foreign exchange is casier on offerings of exchange bills and extron futures.

The excitement in the sugar market continues, raws at New York being 1-8 to 1-16 cent, and refined 1/2 to 3/4 cent higher. The rush for the former by refiners and for the latter by jobbers and others has been very heavy. Stocks of raw in hands of domestic importers are 67,000 tons less than one year ago, and crop decreases in the West Indies (not including Cut a, where the crop is also short) and the Phillippine Islands aggregregate a deficiency of 76,000 tons. As part of the Phillippine stock has been diverted to the Pacific coast the shortage so far as the Atlantic coast is concerned equals 100,000

In sharp contrast to the remarkable activity and buoyancy in sugar, the movements in coffee, on and off the option list, have been on a restricted scale, indicating renewed and unmistakably hesitancy on the part of buyers whether for investment or jobbing and distributing purposes.

The breadstuffs market has been active, with sales of 1,200,000 bushels of wheat for export at New York alone-the most active week's business in over a month. Wheat closes 2 cents higher, corn 2 1-2 and oats 1 cent higher. At New York lard is 29 points higher, but at St. Louis lard only of leading provision staples did not advance. Hogs have been selling at the highest point of the year at Kansas City, and are tending upward in other markets.

The reports of business fa'lures number 141 in the United States this week, against 152 last week and 152 this week last year. Canada has 18 this week, against 27 last week he total of failures in the United Statessince nuary 1 to data is 5,004, against 5,541 in

DEATH IN THE RAPIDS.

Six Lambermen Drewned in a Northwestern River.

Nine men left the camp of the Eau Claire Lumber Company, to begin their day's work. They took a hoat fort-five miles west of Calgarry, on the Pow river, and began descending the series of rapids.

When they came to a portage, they carried the boat half a mile, and attempted to cross the Kanansi Aspids a short distance above a chute five of six feet in height. The boat got within three feet of the shore, when the men attempted to stop her by throwing a line around a stump on the bank. They failed, the boat became unmanageable and swung around in the current, acquiring such momentum that before anything could be done she shot over the falls like an arrow.

In the leap over the first chute the boats shipped only a little water, and the second fall was passed without shipping any more. The men were absolutely helpless and unable to reach the shore, for the boat fairly spun in the water. She kept in the center of the rapids until near the third fall. Then one of the men jumped out of her and attempted to reach the shore. The boat shot over the third fall and landed plump upon a jagged rock that barely showed itself above the water. Two of the men managed to grasp the smashed boat, and the other six were swept under by the rush of waters and never seen again. The wrecked boat, with the two men clinging to it, was picked up four miles further down the river. The man who jumped from the boat before she went over the falls reached the shore in an exhausted condition.

EXPIRED IN AGONY.

Two Deaths From Hydrophobia at

Chicago-A Terrible Scene. Two deaths from hydrophobia occurred in

The first case was Elsie Kelly, a three-year old girl, who was bitten by a small dog a few days ago. She suffered greatly, but her death was rendered comparatively painless by the free use of morphine.

The other case was that of Daniel Morairity, a laboring man, bitten nine months ago, who died at the County Hospital, after suffering terrible agony. When the convulsions first seized him the veins on his neck stood out like whip cords. The eyes became dilated and bulged out in an abnormal way. The frame of the great muscular fellow assumed rigidity, and the muscles contracted until it would seem that they would burst the skin. The expression on the face was frightful. with dilated pupils and blood besmeared halls, the eyes stood out and rolled about in the wildest way. Strong men held him and, watching every movement, gua: de i against

his continuous snapping. The man seemed possessed of the strength of a Hercules, and it was only by the most strenuous efforts that he was restrained from doing injury to his attendants. Finally he fell back exhausted, gasped once or twice and a more violent convulsion ca ne oa. In the midst of this he articulated an almost inaudible 'Good bye,' the muscles relapsed and he

MATRIMONIAL DIFFICULTIES

OF KING MILAN AND QUEEN NATALIE.

Why the Crown Prince of Servia was Taken From His Mother and Restored to His Father.

Recent European dispatches have devoted much space to the troubles of the beautiful Queen Natalie, divorced wife of King Milan, of Servia. A London cablegram gives an insight into the political features of the trouble between the royal pair. An interesting sketch of the career of King Milan and Queen

Natalic are also given in the cablegram. We quote as follows:

The case of Queen Natalic, of Servia, has furnished a very emotional topic to the European press, and unstinted abuse is poured out on Bismarck for tearing the course Ferres is greater his mother; arms and young Prince from his mother's arms and exiling the helpless woman from Germany. There is no doubt that King Milan in private life is a polished villain, deserving any amount of hard luck, and quite unit to be intrusted with the education of his twelveyear-old boy, but there is no especial reason for abusing Hismarck. His business is to look after the interests of Germany and her allies, and he cannot afford to be influenced by the particular wees of any one woman, no matter



KING MILAN. how deserving. Besides, Queen Natalie did interfere in politics, and schemed to have Russian influence predominant in Servia. If the Russians can they will make Servia Rus-sian, but Austria will do all she can to keep the little country independent, as a buffer between her and Russia. So King Milan wisely keeps in with Austria. Austria wants the coming King of Servia to follow in his father's footsteps, and so Germany, to oblige Austria, has turned the Prince over to

his papa, Queen Natalie has asked the Emperor of Austria for permission to reside in Vienna, but Franz Josef has replied unfavorably, recommending her to take up her abode in Belgium or England. Both the German and the Austrian governments treat her as a dangerous political intriguante, and do not care to have her within the circles which



QUEEN NATALIE. King Milan was educated at Paris. He succeeded Prince Michael on the Ser-throne in 1868 at the age of fourteen. 1873, shortly before the war with Turkey. Milan visited Russia. At the city of Kishineff, Southern Russia, Milan was received with great honors. The Governor gave a public reception which was attended by the public reception which was attended by the entire nobility of the province, and it was on that occasion that Milan was presented to Natalie, who was young charming, highly accomplished, and the only daughter of a rich nobleman, Colonel Koshko. Milan needed money and the good will of the Russians and he was a constant. needed money and the good will of the Russians, and he saw at once that he could gain both by wedding Natalie. The marriage of the young couple was one of the greatest social events in that provincial town. The Czar, his courtiers, and the entire nobility of Russia took a deep interest in the welfare of the pair, and the presents that came pouring upon them from all parts of the Czar's country were estimated at twenty million rubles. In Natalie's company Milan visited rubles. In Natalie's company Milan visited all the principal cities of Russia and was met with boundless enthusiasm everywhere. Soon after Milan's return to Belgrade the war against Turkey commenced. The Russians took a deep interest in it. Thousands of young Russian students enlisted in the Ser-vian army. Russian officers volunteered to vian army. Russian officers volunteered to fight in the Servian ranks, and in every Russian town and village money was collected for the Servian treasury. Natalie was adored by the subjects of her husband. She becam the heroine of Servia. After the Russian-Turkish war Servia was considerably en-larged. Milan fell victim to the ambit on of becoming a King. At the Russian court he met with no success. The Czar opposed his aspirations for a kingly title. Milan turned to Austria. He was given to make the court of the way of th aspirations for a kingly title. Mhan turned to Austria. He was given to understand that he would be allowed to enjoy that title if he became Austria's ally. He accepted these conditions, and in 1882 he proclaimed himse f King.
From that time dates Natalie's matrimo

nial misery. Mi'an constantly kept his eye on Vienna, while Natalie was leaning toward Russia. Milan wanted to educate his heir after the Austrian fashion, while Natalie insisted on his being a Russian Colonel. While Milan was making flying visits to Vienna and waiting at the lobbies of Austria's royalty for audiences with Emperer Franz Josef, Natalie was taking trips to Russia and was meeting with enthusiastic reception

erywhere. Finally they separated. Milan surrounded himself with gypsy girls and ballet dancers and tegan to include in most scandalous de baucheries. Natalie livet quietly at Bel grade. In 1884 a revolution broke out in Servia. It was suppressed. The rebe's were captured and nine'y-six of them were sentenced to death. Natalie laid aside her womanly pride and visited her husband, the King. She begged him for mercy for the

prisoners,
"Will you consent to live here and be the
chamber-woman of Mile. Nanon;" asked the Mile. Nanon was an ex-bal et dancer. The

Queen was horrified. She left her husband in disgust. Fifty-six o' the prisoners were shot. In 1885 Natalie exerted all means to prevent the war with Bulgaria. The war took place. Milan assumed command of the Servian army. While Prince Alexander of Battenberg was pushing his forces forward. Servian army. While Prince Alexander of Battenberg was pushing his forces forward with relentless energy, Milan was indulging in wild orgies at his beadquarters. He was ignominously beaten and driven out of Bulgaria.

Milan attempted to prevail upon Natalie to consent voluntarily to a divorce, he saw that his efforts were fruitless he A Chicago barber claims to have made \$131,40 as the results of his own labor during convention week.

To involve the Queen in some scandal. Having failed in this he began to systematically persecute her. She was treated as a prisoner. Her palace was kept constantly under the surveillance of gendarmes. Natalie could not

go out, nor receive callers. Her allowances were limited. She could not even complain. In 1887 Natalie secretly left Servia, taking with her her son, the Crown Prince Alexander. She went to Russia and spent several months on the southern coast of Crimea, where an unsuccessful attempt was made by agents of King Milan to abduct her son. From Crimea she went to Italy, and from Italy to Wiesbaden. The German police showed themselves obliging to Milan. They wrested the young Prince out of the hards of his loving mother, and turned him over to his cruel and dissipated father. The baiels of his loving mother, and turned him over to his cruel and dissipated father. The Crown Prince is twelve years old. He was named by Natalie, after Czar Alexander II. of Russia. He will never succeed his father, as Russia is anxiously waiting for an opportunity to overthrow the Obrenovich dynasty and place Prince Peter Kara-George on the Constant of the Peter Kara-George on the Servian throne

FATAL EXPLOSION.

Six Men Scalded to Death On a Towbont.

One of the most frightful accidents which has occurred among Pittsburgh boats to k place on the towboat Conroy, owned by Thomas Fawcett & Sons, while she was at Westport, 26 miles above Louisville.

A steam pipe burst and six mon were scalded to death. The following is a list of the victims :

Wm . Page, English, about 28 years old: residence unknown,

Wm. Carrigan, Irish, 16 years old; residence Soho, Pittsburgh. Robert Jones, about 35 years old, married;

residence Jacks Run, Pa, Wm. Bigley, 42 years old, married; residence Allegheny City, Pa.

Chas, Luster, 59 years of age; residence Jacks Run. Pa. George McCann, 24 years old; residence

Pittsburgh. Wm. Kelley, about 35 years old; residence

unknown Patrick Kelly was scalded, but not fatally.

and all the rest of the crew escaped. When the boat reached Westport, 25 mi'es up, everything, according to the first mate's story, was running smoothly. He took a walk tack to the cabin and found all quiet. He stopped and talked to his friend, George McCann, who was lying on a lower terth near the door. The latter half rose in his bed, and remarked: "I'd soon be home with my family." Then he lay down and went to sleep. The mate returned to the pilot house and was conversing with Captain Reno, the pilot. They were then two miles above Westport. Suddenly there was a terrific explosion. The whole boat became enveloped in steam, and the machinery stopped. The captain, who was asleep, hurdressed, called his men, and preparations to land. The yawl made was lowered, a line taken on, and the bost was towed ashore and made fast to a tree. Then the Captain proceeded to the after cabin where the explosion occurred.

Wm. Page lay near the door, deat, the blood rushing from his mouth and ears, and the flesh scalded off his body.

Wm. Harrigan was in his berth, Hisdeath must have been instantaneous, for he lay in the same position as when he retired. Robert Jones was on the floor, and barely

alive. He was borribly burned and lived but fifteen minutes. He died with his wife's name on his lips.

Wm. Bigley was still alive when found, but died in ten minutes.

Charles Luster was found outside of the cable, lying on his face. He w. " hot dead, and told them that he had run out there as soon as he could recover from the shock of the explosion. He was almost baked, his skin was parched, and little jets of blood stood out from the pores of his body. In two hours he was dead. George McCann lay dead in exactly the

same position he was in when the first mate left him, but half an hour before, William Kelley was pulled out from under his bunk and was alive, but he was also ter-

rib v burned. Charles Chambers, the other man who slept in the cabin, was blown out of the door, and had a miraculous escape.

The officers of the boat can give no explanation of the accident and claim the machinery was inspected last February, and was then in excellent condition.

FARMERS FIGHTING FIRE.

Great Destruction of Timber, Crops and Farm Buildings in New York.

The unusually dry weather that has prevailed throughout Northern New York for the past six weeks, besides ruining the hay crop, has resulted in a large loss to farmers and others by fire. In some places standing timber, hay, grain, tatoes, fences and farm buildings have been destroyed in spite of the desperate efforts of the inhabitants to save them. The losses so far have been heaviest in Lewis county. On the Texas road there is scarcely a farmer who has not lost wood or bark, a field of grain or hay, or many rods of fence. The farmers fought the fire a whole day. Sixty thousand feet of logs piled near Voodrire's saw mill, in the town of Creyhan, were burned and it was only by the greatest efforts that the mill was sived. In the B-ar Town district, Lewis county, over 2,000 acres of land have been burned over, and thousands of feet of first-class spruce, hemlock and pine logs, hundreds of cords of wood ready for the market, and some of the best cedar lands have been destroyed.

Fires have also done much damage in the towns of Champion, Leroy, Wilna and Philadelphia, in Jefferson county. The other day nearly every man, woman and child in the village of Great Bend was engaged for a good portion of the day fighting firs to save the place from destruction.

Extensive fires which cannot be controlled. are raging in the vicinity of Lake Bonaparte, and all along the borders of the Big Woods from Javville south. Nothing but a heavy rain will stay the ravages of the flames, and unless it comes soon immense damage will te done. The losses so far can hard y be estimated but they will amount to many thousavds of dollars.

Forty Victims Avenged.

At Jasper, Ark., the notorious desperado, Wash Middleton, was killed by an officer while resisting arrest. Middleton has been a mortal terror to Southwestern Missouri and Northwestern Arkanas for several years. He was a border scout during the war and is said to have killed 40 men during his career. He also belonged to the 'Bald Knobber' and 'Uplander' organizations; was a bloody outlaw generally, and the people are rejoiced at his taking off.

SENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

GLEANED FROM ALL SOURCES.

The Main Facts Related Withous Unnecessary Words.

Amos Kenneson, a workman employed in a tone quarry at Eiforts station, near Newcomeratown, Ohio, was instantly killed by a huge mass of earth caving in on him while at work. A companion named Belcher was also very badly injured.

county, Ohio, fell under the knives of a mowing machine, and was cut in such a horrible manuer that death resulted in a short A cloud-burst, or water-spout, near Purcell station, on the river Duchee, Indiana

The four-year-old son of Resin Brown, a

farmer living near New Garden, Stark

was followed by a remarkably heavy rain. The railroad tracks and surrounding country were covered with two feet of water. The farmers of Crawford county, Ill., have resolved not to raise any wheat, barley or rye for the next three years in an effort to exterminate the chinch bug. The farm rs

will exert their influence to this end with farmers in adjacent counties. John Bowman Cummings, an engineer, committed suicide in New York. In March, 1886, he was sentenced to imprisonment for abducting his sister-in-law, Miss Alice Weisse,

of Middleport, O. The passenger railway employes of Philadelphia tave passed resolutions indorsing a demand for ten hours' work and appointing a committee of each of the roads to see all the men and secure their promise to join is the

A volcanic eruption has occurred at Makmats, in Japan, by which 400 persons were killed and 1,000 injured.

Benjamin Benneton, wife and child, of Cocalico, Pa., visited Henry Bennetch, of Heisdelburg township, Berks county, on Tuesday. The child fell into the well and was drowned. When the mother heard of it she was in the barn and fell down the hay-mow. She was seriously injured.

The North German Lloyd steamship Fulda, which has arrived from Bremen, ran down an unknown fishing schooner on the banks of New Foundland. A dense fog prevailed at the time, and the schoones disappeared astern almost immediately after the collision. Boats put out in search of her, but as she was not found it is feare I that she was lost, with all hands,

The Western Iron Association is dissolved. The conference committee of the association met at the association rooms in Pittsburgh. and after a long sitting came to the conclusion that it was better to dissolve. The several firms which had vowe I allegiance to the association, and who agreed with the other members to stand out against the Amalgamated scale breaking faith and signing, caused the fatal disruption of the organization.

A sad catastrophe is reported from Lake Minnetonka, Minn., where four young men, whose names were not reported, were drowned while vachting. At Wheeling, Thomas Kelly and Harry

Christy, convic ed recently of the murder of Police Officer Gleun, were sentenced to imprisonment for tife. The great Esu Claire Lumber Company,

with headquarters at St. Louis, announced

its retirement from business, having sold its \$4,000,000 plant to the lumber trust. Michael Mack, a fourteen-year-old boy under arrest for burglary, escape I from the

St. Louis police and jumped into the Mississippi river, swimming two miles and a half before he was captured. Patrick Kelly, the sullor in custody at New

York for the murder of two shipmates at sea, confessed his crime and requested to be hanged as soon as possible.

A large sewer pipe factory is being erected

at East Palestine, O. Owen Sheeky has been appointed postmaster at Rankin station, Baltimore and Obio Railroa L.

Flossie, the two-year-o'd daughter of John Montgomery, fell into a cistern at Alliance, O., on Saturday and was drowne l. The miners in the Huntingdon district are

said to be in a starving condition, and unless there is a compromise soon an outbreak is feared. At New York Mrs. Mary V. Yznaga, a leader in the ultra fashionable circles of the

fornia divorce from Fernando Yznaga, was married to Wm. G. Tiff my. In New York City Harry Rogers, an 18year-old tough, stabbed and killed a com-

metropolis, and who recently secure i a Cali-

panion, Wm. Dunn, 17 yea sold. Near Livermore, Ky., the bodies of two unknown men were found in Buck creek strapped together and with their skulls

cloven with some s' arp instrument. At Brooklyn Marcus Tallman, aged 14 years, became eugulfed in a quicksand while bathing and was smothered to death.

The Marine Hospital Bureau is informed that Asiatic cholera is epidemic in Hong Kong.

Rev. E. P. Roe, the novelist, suddenly expired at his home at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson Thursday night from neuralgia of the heart. The Senate confirmed the nomination of Hugh W. Wier, of Pittsburgh, Pa., to be

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Idaho.

In Nebraska City, Nebraska, during a drunken row at a German gathering Charles Hoffmeister had his skull crushed, and Jack Young and John Hart were shot and severely wounded.

At Clear Lake, Iowa, Mrs. Jessie McKinney shot and fatally wounded J. F. Suilivan, of Forest City, who with two other men, was prowling about her residence and refused to leave when d scovered.

A dispatch from Waly Halfa says that three boats loafe! with native fugitives who left that place during the attack of the Dervishes on the 30th inst., sank in the river, and that 159 persons were drowned.

There is great negligence and inefficiency in enforcing the anti-Chinese act in San Francisco. For the first six months of this year 10,000 coolies arrived from China and Japan, while only 3,000 returne I. Last month the arrivals from China and Japan were 4,200, the largest number received in any one month since the Restriction Act went into effect, six years ago.

The French Chamber of Deputies refused to abolish dueling.

There has been a decided turn for the bet-ter in the case of Hon. Samuel J. Randall, and there is now ground for hope that he will specially recover.

The Independent Labor Party of the Unite 1 States, through its gran I Council, has declared in favor of the election of Harrison and Morton.

The work of the bailiffs engaged in making evictions at Kilrush, County Clare, is being obstructed by the people, who have destroy ed all the bridges between Kilrush and Kilkee and taken other measures to delay the progress of the evictors. The chapel bells are being tolled to warn the people of the approach of the officers. The plan of compaign has been adopted by the tenants on the Murphy estates at Tralee, County Kerry.

\$45,000 BOGUS MONEY.

Two Counterfeiters Captured in Pittsburgh.

A young man named Graham, who boards at No. 184 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, went to City Hall and inquired for the decrectives. Officer Coulson w s on duty. Graham then told Coulson that he had his suspicions about a couple of well-dressed young men, about 25 years of age, who were boarding where he was, and had been there but a short time; that a gray-bourded farmer was with them. and it looked as if they were trying to play

the boodle game on him. Coulson telephoned to the Central stat'on for Sergeant Styx to meet him on Smithfield street, corner Dismond Alley, and started at once for the locality determined to arrest the whole party and prove his suspicions afterward. The two officers burried down to No. 184 Fourth avenue and met the two young men in the hall just coming out.

He took hold of the first one, took the gripack from him and handed his prisoner over to officer Styx. Waiking back to the room on the ground floor the second man called Coulson by name and said he knew so and so, and added: "Here is all I have got, take it and cut me loo e. Here is a thousand dollars, take it and let me go."

"Let us see your money," said Coulson, whereupon the young man pulled out two packages of tweaty dollar bills, five hundred in each package. Coulson rammed them in his pocket, and the counterfeiter then said. "let go my arm." Coulson replied: "If you try to run I will kill you," and he took a firmer grip on his arm and lifted the heavy satchel out of his hand,

The old man followed along and the whole party were locked up in the Central Station. The large satchel when examine 1 at the Central Station contained \$35,000 of handsimely executed counterfeit money, and there was over \$10,000 in the small one.

ARMING THE CRUISERS.

Progress of the Guns and Carriages for the New Vessels of War.

At the Washington Navy Yard the ordnance officials report very gratifying progress on the guns for the new vesse's of war. There are now thirty-five six-inch breach-loading riff s under way, and some of these are well advanced toward completion. Fourteen are complete in all their parts, and will probably reach the proving grounds within a few

The two six-inch guns for the Chicago are practically finished. The last one is being sighted. One ten-inch gun is ready except the breach-plug, and that is in a forward state. One ten-inch gun has already been completed, and is now at the proving grounds awaiting the arrival of some spec al grades of powder before being subjected to the statutory test. The third ten-inch gua is within three months of completion.

The work upon gun carriages is also being actively pushed. Of the twenty six-inch central pivot carrieges for the new ships, six will be ready by September 1; the remainder are in process of construction. Two of the tour eight-inch curriages for the Chicago are nearly finishe!, one is promised August 1 and the other a month later. The other two are

in advanced stag '. Sufficient six-ine's and eight-inch projectiles are on hand to supply the first three ships, including the Chicago, All for the Boston are ready for delivery. The turrett mounts for ten-inch guns and mounts for Hotchkiss rapid fire and machine guns are in a very satisfactory state. The entire working force of the yard now comprises 555 men. Over 200 men are employed on the new gun shops, work upon which is progressing satisfactorily, since the trouble with the quicksan i in the shrinking pits has been overcome.

WHISKY OR BLOOD.

How the Local Option Law is Enforced in Kentucky,

There is a bitter fight in progress over the whisky question at Harlan Court House, Ky., which bids fair to end in bloodshed. County Judge Lewis believes that a great da! of whisky is being sold in the town in spite of the local prohibition law. Several grocerymen were tried a few days a o on the charge, but no proof was projucid. Their arrest angered the accused, and as Judge Lewis rode out of town that evening he barely esca sed being shot by John H. Barley, one of them. Lewis rode back into town and assembling the oppone its of the traffic proceeded to search the stores of John M. Blair, M. E. Howard and others suspected. They found liquor in several a si rolle i the barres into the streets and emptied the contents on the ground. Tals was done under a guard of twe ity min with Winchesters. The other day the whisky mer allied and the two factions ercounterel in the street. A hundred shots were fired, but nobody was killed. Five men were carried off badly wounded, however.

The Wall Collapsed.

Disastrous results followed an attempt to pull down an old building owned by the Germania Singing Society, at Chicago, the members of which desired to erect a more pretentious structure. While the work of demolition was going on one of the walls facing North Clark street and Grant Place collapsed, and a number of persons were caught by the falling mass. The contractor in charge, Chas. Wickler, was killed outright, and a la borer suffered a similar fate. The other victims were taken out alive. Some were severe'y injur.d.

WRECK AN RUIN.

WILD SCENES O TERROR.

The City of Wheeling et whelmed By a Cloud-Bu,

The rain storm which burst er the city of Wheeling and the surround, country at six o'clock Wednesday evening is the most disastrous ever known, far stassing the grea; storm of ten days ago. 1 one hour and ten minutes six inches of wa- fell, accompanied by dashes of bail. T floods ret sulting swept down the narrow illers of he runs and small streams debouing from he hills and emptying into the O sheith irresistible force and the damage to reporty and the loss of life are appalling.

In the Caldwell's run district, justatside the city limits, half a dozm dwellin were swept away and 12 people were drened. the victims being Thomas Howley, witand four children, and Mrs. Stenzel, two-hildren, two nieces, Misses Annie and lice Wangard, of Miltonsburg, Onio, and shn Hohman, who attimpted to rescue the your

At Bogg's Run ex-Sheriff Henry Kap was drowned on his way home, as was also German family of five, whose names are no obtainable at present.

Along the valley of Wheeling creek from five to 15 miles out the loss is reported terrible, but all communication is cut off. The United Press report says: About 10 o'clock, while a number of people were standing on one of the bridges of the Baltimore

and Ohio spanning Whesling creek, watching the swift flow of the waters bearing wrecked shantles and debris of all kinds, the tructure suddenly gave way, precipitating all who were standing on it into the flood. The number of people who were on the bridge is not known, the estimates varying from 20 to 30. Eight persons were rescued at a distance of a mile from the point where the bridge was located, and it is feared that from 10 to 20 persons have perished.

At Caldwell's run, in the lower end of the city, four dwellings were swept away by the flood and eleven persons drowned. A young man named Homan, the wife and four children of Thomas Howley, three members of the family of John Stenzell, a dairyman, and two visitors at his house, are among those believed to be drowned, and it is feared there are more to be included in the number. Much damage is reported from the Wheeling Creek Coal Works, mady dwellings in the creek bottom having been flooded from their foundations, and only saved by colliding with the

boundary fence. Myron W. Hubbard, of the firm of Hubbard & Paull, wholesale grocers, is supposed to have been drowned, as he was on the wrecked Baltimore and Ohio bridge when it fell, No street cars are running on account of bridges in the city having gone out spanning Caldwell's run.

The Valley of Wheeling Creek is full of ghastly sights. For miles the shores are dotted here and there with the bodies of human beings, horse, farm annimals and household pets, and the wreckage of houses and outbuildings.

At Triadelphia the damage was especially great. Search resulted in the discovery of a number of bodies of those who lived at Triadelphia. Most of them were found among the drift which collected at Elm Grove, so

distance below. William Gaston, aged sixty years, a wealthy and prominent man, who owned the famous "Gaston Orchard," was drowned, as

was his wife. The body of Charles Caul Bell, sged fifty, was found among some driftword. Mrs. Jane Fay, wife Moses Fay and her two daughters, Alice and Belle, both of whom were grown up, were found dead near Elm Grove. The bodies of two brothers named Gorman, both young men, were recovered in a memow, where they had been hurled by the furious waters. All these people lived at Triade'phia. At noon the best estimate by conservative people of the number of lives lost is twenty-five,

and the less to property \$150,000. The names of the persons drowned at Caldwell's Run are; Wife and four children of Thomas Howly; Mrs. Stenzel, a widow, her son Herman, aged 20, a daughter, two nieces, Anna and Alice Wingard, of Miltonsturg, Ohio, who were visiting, and a hire! girl, name unknown; John Holman, while attemptto rescue the Stenzel family, was also drowns ed. As yet but two bodies have been recovered, those of Mrs, Stenzel and Alica Win-

DELUGE IN OHIO.

St. Clairsville, Ohio, and vicinity were visite I by a most terrific thunder storm, violent winds, and a rainfall that eclipsed the average waterspout. Grain fields were laid waste, shocked wheat was swept away and the growing corn is not to be seen. The Bellaire & St. Clairsville and the St. Clairsville & Northern Railroads are almost entirely washed out. The incoming train on the B. & O. was stranded at Echo, and the trainmen and passengers as lest they could escaped with their lives, the water, filled with drift, running to the headlight of the engine. Sev-

CROPS IN EASTERN OHIO.

eral narrow escapes are reported.

Not So Much Damaged as Was Expected-A Bountiful Harvest Ahead.

Inquiry of farmers in Eastern Ohio elicits

the information that the crops are not in such a demoralized condition as was anticipated from the drought in the spring and the cons'ant rains since July 1. In Columbians, Curroll and the upper end of Jefferson county the effect of the drought is not very noticeable but in Belment, Harrison and the lower end of Jefferson county, the ground was so badly perched that it has not wholly recovered under the recent warm rains. Hay is light, and the crop of grass, timothy and clover will be very short Wheat is only moderate, though much heavier than anticipated. Of oats a more than average crop will be barvested, Corn never looked better at this season, the stalk being high and sturdy and the ears giving indications of being full and sound. Along the river, however, and up the sma'l streams the corn was bally damaged by the recess high waters. The early crop of potatoes is very short, but those planted late promise to materialize very heavy. Upon the whole the farmers of Eastern Ohio have every rep son to hope for a bountiful barvest.