



Disasters, Accidents and Fatalities.

Galva, a town in Henry county, Ill., was wrecked by a cyclone. Several persons are known to be killed, and many buildings were destroyed.

At Chicago the steamer Viola with a party of 97 ladies and gentlemen from the Northwestern university is reported lost with all on board.

A Chicago and Grand Trunk locomotive exploded one mile east of Clineax, Mich., fatally injuring Engineer Wood, Fireman Smith and Brakeman Parker, all residents of Battle Creek, Mich.

What remained of the village of Rockdale, near Dubuque, Ia., since the disaster of 1876, was wiped out by a storm Friday evening. No lives were lost.

Riotous miners have stopped operations at the Minnesota mines, at Tower, Minn., and the shafts are filling with water. Twenty-one trains are tied up.

While two men were fighting in a yard in Chicago, four women went on a high porch to see what was going on. The porch fell, and three of the women were fatally injured.

Edward W. Gould, a member of the New York stock exchange, and conspicuous in Wall street, was killed Saturday while participating in the amateur Wild west show given by the Staten Island Athletic club.

The accident occurred in the presence of his family and a thousand of his friends.

Capital, Labor and Industrial.
Two hundred employees of the John Porter Company, firebrick manufacturers of New Cumberland, W. Va., went out on a strike for an advance from \$1.35 to \$1.50 a day.

One thousand dockers at Bilbao, Spain have struck for an increase of wages. The police, fearing disturbances, have arrested three agitators. Six hundred workmen in the Malaspina and Oligaran mines have struck.

The International Typographical Union in session at Philadelphia repealed the 59-hour law by a majority of 1 to 48 votes, it being found impossible to enforce its provisions uniformly.

The Columbia rolling mill at Columbia, Pa., has shut down for an indefinite period. About 200 men are thrown out of work.

The Eclipse Bicycle Works, of Indianapolis, will be removed to Beaver Falls, Pa., and capitalized at \$150,000. Employment will be given to 250 hands.

Convention News.
At Lansing, Mich., at the People's party convention a resolution was passed against fusion, and Captain R. S. Osborn was nominated for Secretary of State.

The Kansas People's party convention at Wichita nominated candidates for the state ticket and W. A. Harris for congressman-at-large, a victory for the fusionists. A woman suffrage plank was adopted, and Mrs. M. E. Lease of Wichita was elected one of the delegates-at-large to the Omaha convention.

As soon as the convention met Levi Dumbald, chairman of the People's central committee, made a plea for money to conduct the coming campaign. "I am for free silver," he shouted a delegate from the Seventh district, and threw on the platform a silver dollar. The action was contagious, and money was raised on the stage by spectators and delegates, over \$3,000 being realized.

Fires.
At Cleveland, O., the cooper shop of the Standard Oil Company, Loss, \$50,000.

At Jamestown, N. Y., the Pearl Furniture Company's factory. Loss, \$30,000; insurance, \$11,000.

At Rich Hill, Mo., five large business houses, the losses aggregating \$40,000.

At Elizabethport, N. J., a large store and six frame buildings.

At Jamestown, N. Y., the Pearl Furniture Company's factory. Loss, \$30,000; insurance, \$11,000.

At Elizabeth, N. J., damage of \$90,000 resulted from the burning of a business block.

At Alexandria, La., a square of buildings including the bank and hotel were burned. Loss, \$75,000; insurance unknown.

Two spans of the Northern Pacific bridge over Clark's Fork river, Idaho, burned. This is the largest bridge on the Northern Pacific. It is thought the fire caught from a passenger locomotive.

Washington News.
Mr. E. S. Lacey, controller of the currency, has resigned.

The sundry civil appropriation bill as it passed the House appropriated \$90,000 for the enforcement of the Chinese exclusion act. Mr. Felton yesterday in the Senate proposed an amendment increasing the amount to \$120,000.

The House committee on military affairs has taken favorable action on the Senate bill to furnish the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association with specimens of arms, accoutrements, etc., used by the armies in the battle of Gettysburg.

Mr. Chauncey M. Depew left here Sunday for New York. Mr. Depew dined with the President Saturday and there were rumors that he had been offered the vacant cabinet portfolio, but he refused to talk about the matter.

Political.
The conference committees of the divided Louisiana Democrats have reached a mutually satisfactory agreement for the sending of a single delegation unminstricked to Chicago. The Foster faction has been recognized as the head of the party in the State. Uninstructed delegates-at-large to the Chicago convention were elected.

The returns, which are practically complete, in the election held in the Ninth Texas congressional district (Mill's old district), show that Antony (Dem.) has a majority of \$511 over Barber (Third party.)

Personal.

The Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage and Mrs. Talmage sailed from New York City for Liverpool. Dr. Talmage will be absent until about the middle of September. He will visit St. Petersburg and Moscow, and will assist in the distribution of the stores that have been contributed for the relief of the famine-stricken people of Russia.

In New York City there was an increase in the death rate Wednesday due to the excessive heat. Tuesday there were 77 deaths, and Wednesday 100 were recorded.

Mortality.
Emmons Blaine, son of ex-Secretary James G. Blaine, died at his residence in Chicago, Saturday morning. Mr. Blaine had been ill several days. His death was the result of blood poisoning, originating in a disorder of the bowels.

Emmons Blaine at the time of his death was Vice President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and had until quite recently resided at Baltimore, coming to Chicago to take charge of the western interests of the company. His wedding to Miss Anita McCormick, daughter of the great reaper manufacturer, was a social event of the first magnitude. They have had only one child, who was at the bedside when the father died. Before becoming connected with the Baltimore and Ohio he served in less conspicuous places than the vice presidency. Mr. Blaine was at different times in the service of the West Virginia Central, the Chicago and Northwestern and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe.

Criminals and Penitents.
Judge J. B. Morgan, an Ex-Congressman, was killed at Memphis by Henry Foster, a lawyer, during a political quarrel.

The stage from Valley Springs to San Andreas, Cal., was stopped on the Road near North Branch Friday by one masked highwayman. The bandit got one treasure box, but missed the most valuable booty.

The Weather.
Thursday was the hottest day of the season in Pittsburg, 92 degrees was the highest official record, but many of the thermometers along the streets marked over 100 degrees.

A cloud burst deluged Chatsworth, Ill. Small structures were leveled to the ground.

Congressional Nominations.
Congressman John G. Otis, of the Fourth Kansas district, was defeated for nomination by F. V. Wharton, who was a Democrat before he joined the Farmers' Alliance.

Crops.
Wheat harvesting is in full blast in Southern Kansas. The quality is excellent, and in the extreme western counties the yield is reported to be simply magnificent.

The wheat yield in France will be vastly superior to that of 1891, but barley and oats have suffered severely.

Financial and Commercial.
The Lancaster (Pa.) and Aurora (Ill.) watch factories have been consolidated and the machinery of the latter will be transferred to Lancaster. The new company will have a capital of \$500,000.

Judicial.
The Michigan Supreme Court to-day rendered a decision sustaining the constitutionality of the Miner Electoral law.

Miscellaneous.
Otto Prager, the young newspaper reporter who left San Antonio on April 3 for the City of Mexico on a bicycle, succeeded after a hazardous journey through the desert of Coahuila and the Sierra Mojada Mountains in reaching Durango May 16. On May 19 he set out for Matlan, on the Pacific coast, 300 miles distant, since which time no tidings of him have been received. Great uneasiness is felt for safety.

Ed. Alson, a Norwegian hardware merchant of Northfield, Minn., for twenty years, died of old-fashioned leprosy. The corpse was a most horrible sight, the flesh dropping off his body. The Alsons have all died in the month of June.

The body of William Westling was recovered from the wreck of the Newport, Ky., bridge disaster. This makes twenty-six dead. John Phillips, one of the wounded, is thought to be dying. One man, William Barton, is still missing and is doubtless in the wreck. The evidence adduced before the coroner's jury indicates that the Bairds were careless in driving the piles.

BEYOND OUR BORDERS.
Eleven persons took shelter from a storm by the side wall of a church at Pradolungo, Spain. The wall collapsed and injured all of them.

England's appropriation to the World's Fair was increased to \$20,000 to-day, by a vote of the House of Commons.

The Pope has enjoined Archbishop Vaughan, of Westminster, England, to avoid mixing up in party strife and especially not to oppose Irish national aspirations.

Saint Teresa, of Guayamas, Mexico, has been sentenced to be shot for witchcraft.

Earl Anrcrain, aid of the Earl of Jersey, was accidentally shot while out with a hunting party. He died soon afterward.

Official reports as to the Russian harvest prospects show that the general outlook is much worse than it was in the early summer of 1891.

The collapse of two factories in Barcelona, Spain, killed eight men.

Four soldiers at Magdeburg, Germany, were killed by the bursting of a shell.

Jacob Schnitzer, otherwise Emin Pasha, according to dispatches received at Berlin, is not dead as reported recently.

Mount Vesuvius, now in eruption, has thrown up lava that has formed itself into a bridge across a valley.

The formation, glowing with heat, presents a magnificent spectacle at night.

A bull fight at Linares, Spain, was broken up by dissatisfied spectators, who invaded the arena. Then the mob got all the bull fight they wanted, for the enraged beasts charged upon them, tossed and injured many of them, and killed one man outright. The mob pelted the mayor, and when he called out the troops the soldiers refused to obey. The Mayor fled to safety in the barracks, the rioters close at his heels.

ACTOS, QUEBEC.—The latest estimates of the loss by the recent storm in this township place it at \$50,000, which falls chiefly on the poor farmers. Three children were killed and eight adults injured, some fatally. The devastation by the storm extended over six miles. The farm houses were entirely wrecked, and about 60 families are homeless.

SCORES OF LIVES LOST.

HURLED TO DEATH BY THE BREAKING OF A FALSE BRIDGE.

A Frightful Accident Between Covington and Newport, Ky., 40 People Killed. A Terrible Cyclone Kills Many Children and Adults.

CINCINNATI, O., June 16.—Yesterday morning, the false work of the new bridge being built over the Licking river, between Covington and Newport, fell, carrying down with it 90 men. The first estimate of the number of lives lost was 30, but later reports make the total number 88. Among them were Andrew and Albert Baird, the contractors. The construction of the bridge was begun early last fall, and will be used for foot passengers and street railway traffic. The piers have been completed, and the work of fixing the heavy pieces of iron in place had begun.

Not a stick of the false work, from pier to pier, remained, and the river was filled with timbers and iron work, with scores of men struggling for life.

Following is the list of dead, injured and missing, so far as known up to midnight.

LIST OF THE DEAD.
C. D. Champol Semple, of Boston; Thomas Lamb, an unknown, about 40 years old; J. R. Roby, Radford, Va.; Elmer Barber, Cincinnati; William Aloy, Ohio; C. W. Pfafenbach, Wheeling; Richard Gorman, Dolphin, Pa.; John Adams, Cincinnati; Frank Adams, Cincinnati; Robert Baird, Newport; Andrew Baird, Pittsburg; Charles Gresham, Covington; Edward Sullivan, Newport; James Johnson, Havdell, de Grace, Md.; Dennis Harlow, Parkersburg; E. A. Nolan, Erie, Pa.; Charles Stall, Ironton, O.; Charles Tyre, Mitchell, Ind.; William Barton, Pennington, Ky.; Patrick Murray, Greenbrier, W. Va.

The number of killed will probably reach 40.

LIST OF THE INJURED.
Daniel Binkley, Hill Station, O.; Bruce Thomas, Indianapolis; J. C. Arling, Newport, Ky.; a German nicknamed "Skyhook," name unknown; Charles H. Wilkerson, Louisville, Ky.; Benjamin Arnold, Nicholasville, Ky.; John J. Murray, Newport; William Thomas, Xenia, O.; John Phillips, Newport; John L. Loring, Covington; Henry Kramer, Newport; Daniel Binkley, Newport; S. H. Heil, Thomas Krause.

THE MISSING.
Martin Luther, Lagrange, Ky.; Frank Mure, Newport; George Burge, Covington; N. W. Burton, Winchester, Ky.; William W. Slins, Newport; Frederic Brant, Cincinnati; Richard M. Johnson, Newport.

A big portion of the false work was submerged, and with it were the unfortunate workmen. The scene was a horrible one. In a minute a deluge of water, with the shrieks of the injured and dying.

Those who could free themselves from the tangled network of timber, struggled to the shore, and many were unable to get ashore. One after another gave up the desperate and uneven struggle and sank into the muddy water. Though the banks were crowded with onlookers, they could do but little.

One unknown man was taken out on the Covington side. He was found wedged in a crack in the bridge, and was so badly chopped off before he could be taken out. All the dead bodies as they were taken out presented terrible pictures. The bones were crushed and splintered, and in many instances forced through the flesh, presenting a sickening sight.

The terrible calamity is due directly to the recent heavy rains. The river was fully 70 feet high, and the false work 60 feet. Two men were at work on the top cord of the false work when the crash came. The water, which was 10 feet deep, had few scratches. They were J. P. Lynch, colored, and Bruce Conas. Lynch fell through the bridge, and landed on top of it. Conas fell into the water, and was so badly injured, escaped with a few bruises.

All the men employed were insured. You see the contractors, Baird Brothers, had insured the lives of their employees in the Employers' Insurance Company. The company agrees to protect the contractors against all damage claims. I think the average amount paid for such a policy is \$10,000, but cannot say positively.

Baird Brothers had been very successful bridge builders. There were four of them and they were at work on the bridge when it fell. They had just completed the great cantilever bridge at Memphis, which is the largest bridge in the world. They had never before met with such a disastrous accident. The property loss is \$10,000.

Fourteen dead bodies have been taken out of the Newport side and eight from the Covington side of the river. There was great difficulty in ascertaining the exact number of the victims. The report varied from 15 to 100. Superintendent Sullivan says there were 73 men at work on the bridge when the crash came. Those who escaped were at work on the upstream side of the work, which is to the south. They fell with the wreck, but fortunately fell on top of it. Those on the down stream side fell into the water, and were killed and injured. It is certain that those who cannot be found are lying at the bottom of the Licking river.

It is thought that in addition to the workmen caught in the wreck were a number of spectators, who were watching the men at work. The accident is supposed to be due to the heavy weight of the iron floor supports, the false work not being strong enough.

WIPED OFF THE EARTH.
A Montreal Summer Resort Destroyed by a Cyclone. Many School Children and Grown People Killed.

ST. ROSE, QUEBEC, June 16.—The pretty little village of St. Rose, a fashionable summer resort near Montreal was entirely obliterated by a cyclone yesterday afternoon. Houses were carried away, trees were torn from their roots and horses and cattle literally carried away and deposited in fields hundreds of feet away. The village school was totally demolished, and of the 25 young scholars, two were dead and when found so shortly afterward, 12 are so badly injured that they will die, and the remainder are more or less injured.

Those dead are: Ernest Ouimet, aged 7; Julia Jolly, aged 6, and Stanley Daubier, aged 8. Those known to be fatally injured are: Ernestine Ouimet, Edward Ouimet, Edward Gascon, Amelie Cadex. The damage done to the farming country was enormous. The farm buildings of John Thomas and Alpheus Kilmington were destroyed and the number five in number, of the late Mrs. Therese, the public school building, in which there were 40 children, was blown down and two of the scholars killed and about 15 of the other children were very heavy, both to crops and manufacturing interests. At Union two children were killed.

Germans Whipped by Africans.
ZANZIBAR, June 20.—A report has been received here that a German force commanded by Baron Bulow and consisting of five Europeans and 150 Soudanese natives, with one gun, was severely defeated on the 10th inst. in the Mushi territory, near Kilimanjaro. One European and 100 of the Soudanese were killed. Baron Bulow and another European were among the wounded.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

MONDAY.—In the Senate the pension appropriation bill, with amendments, was reported back from the Committee on Appropriations and placed on the calendar. It carries a total of \$146,737,350, which is an increase of \$11,912,284 over the House bill, and \$27,200 less than the estimates. The bill as reported, exceeds that of last year by \$11,922,065. The principal increase over the House bill is \$11,907,634, for army and navy pensions. The bill introduced by Mr. Peffer on the 28th of May, "to increase the currency and provide for its circulation, to reduce the rate of interest, and to establish a Bureau of Loans," was taken from the table and Mr. Peffer addressed the Senate in advocacy of it. The Senate then adjourned until to-morrow.

In the House, by unanimous consent, the following bills were passed: To admit Indian children to citizenship at the age of 21 years, provided that they have had 10 years' industrial training; to authorize the Washington Scheutzen Verein to erect a statue to Baron von Steuben in one of the public reservations in Washington. After action upon some District of Columbia measures, the House went into committee of the whole. Mr. Creary, of Kentucky, in the chair on the Fort Leavenworth reservation, with the first reading of the bill, the committee rose, without further action. In the consideration of a morning hour a Senate bill was passed with an amendment, authorizing the entry of the lands chiefly valuable for building stone, under the placer mining law. Also, the bill to protect settlement on the same section of agricultural public land before survey thereof. Also, to establish a division line between the lands of the United States and the Pittsburg, E. Wayne and Chicago Railway Company, near Bellevue, Pa. A bill granting to the State of Kansas, in trust, the Fort Leavenworth reservation, for the purpose of a soldiers' home on the cottage plan, gave rise to opposition, and without disposing of it the House adjourned.

TUESDAY.—No business of any consequence was transacted in the Senate of house to-day on account of the death of Congressman Stackhouse. Both houses adjourned until to-morrow, out of respect to his memory.

WEDNESDAY.—In the Senate the silver bill was read and no action was taken and the Senate adjourned.

The House passed the Fortification Appropriation bill without a division. The measure appropriates \$2,412,376 or \$1,302,427 less than was appropriated by the last Congress. Authority is given to make contracts for certain works, involving a further expenditure of \$1,374,900. The bill reducing the duty on tin plate, term plate and tanners tin to ten cents a pound after October 1, 1892, and removing all duty thereon after October 1, 1893, occupied the remainder of the day.

THURSDAY.—The House went into a committee of the whole on the tin plate bill. No action was taken when adjournment occurred.

In the Senate Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, called up the free coinage bill and spoke on it. Discussion was continued until adjournment.

FRIDAY.—Both houses of Congress adjourned until Monday, after a brief session covering only routine business.

SAD DROWNING ACCIDENTS.
Five Children and Two Men Drowned Near Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Pa., June 18.—Five children were drowned at Neville Island, on the Ohio river, eight miles from Pittsburg, Friday afternoon, by the turning of a wheel. From the joy of their happy young existence the five were snatched by the muddy waters of the Ohio and plunged into the abyss of death without a moment's warning.

In the twinkling of an eye the sound of their sweet, childish prattle gave way to the roaring of the waters, which seized and choked them. The names of the children drowned are: Paul Pittock, 3 years old; Ruffo Pittock, 9 years old; Maggie Pittock, 12 years old; Ada Pittock, 14 years old; Ethna Richardson, 11 years old.

The children had taken a buggy from Mr. Pittock's barn yard to the river's edge. They played in the buggy, and in romping started the buggy, and before they could get out it had plunged into the river. It is feared the mother of the Pittock children will lose her reason.

Israel Solomon, a young mill worker, living at Linden station, was drowned while bathing in the Monongahela river, near his home.

Thomas Windle, a machinist residing in Allegheny, a man of 45 years, was drowned in the Ohio river at the foot of Island avenue while bathing with a number of friends.

Within the past two months, since the opening of the bathing season, Coroner McCreel has been called upon to dispose of the bodies of 27 different persons, principally children, who have lost their lives by accidental drowning. This does not include the startling number reported yesterday, which brings the total to 31.

CHICAGO'S BIG TORNADO.
Eight Lives Lost in It. A Boat-Load of Students Safe.

CHICAGO, June 14.—A tornado raged in this city this afternoon. The rainfall was terrific. The full force of the wind struck the southwest corner of the Home Insurance building occupied by the Union National bank and blew in three large plate glass windows. J. J. P. Odell, President of the bank, was struck on the thigh by a fragment of glass and severely cut.

The great canvass canopy over the wigwam, in which will be held the National Democratic Convention next week, was torn to tatters and so utterly ruined that the contractors determined to use instead a timber roof.

CHICAGO, June 15.—The tornado here yesterday was more destructive than at first reported. Eight lives were lost and many people injured. It will take hundreds of thousands of dollars to repair the damage.

The steamer Joliet, with the graduating class of the Northwestern University, which was supposed to have been lost with all on board, arrived here early this morning.

An authentic list of the killed follows: Emma Klima, daughter of Frank and Maggie Klima; William Lossa, John Leil, Charles I. Roberts, Harvey Stewart and three unknown men.

Congressman E. T. Stackhouse, Dean of the University of the South Carolina district, died at his residence here early this morning of heart disease. His son heard him breathing heavily and called to him, but he did not respond, and before anything could be done he was dead. Mr. Stackhouse was born in Marion county, South Carolina in 1824. He served in the Confederate army and became a colonel. He afterward became prominent in agricultural pursuits, was President of the State Farmers' Alliance, was a member of the Legislature, and was elected to the Fifty-second Congress as a Democrat.

DISASTERS DOUBLING UP.

TWO MORE STORM HORRORS IN THE WEST.

A Tornado Tears Through Minnesota, Wrecking Several Towns and Killing Scores of Persons.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 18.—Dispatches from Mankato, Minn., say that one of the worst disasters that ever visited Southern Minnesota occurred Friday. The terrible funnel-shaped tornado again stalked abroad over the land and laid waste scores of happy homes and sent 40 or 50 souls to eternity. The extent of the country swept by this awful visitation was greater than ever before known in the history of the State, and fortunate, indeed, if it is that no town or village lay in its destructive course.

Starting near Jackson, on the Southern Minnesota division of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, funnel-shaped clouds swept eastward and passed four miles south of Mankato, and then took a broad circle to the south and passed away south of Wells.

About 5:30 a circling black cloud was seen rapidly advancing and demolishing everything in its course. It struck a district school house, in which were the teacher and 15 scholars. The building was demolished and the teacher and 15 scholars killed.

At Easton three buildings were destroyed and several people injured. Linden was visited and many houses were torn from their foundations. One family, consisting of a man, his wife and child, were killed, and others injured. The storm passed on eastward, destroying farmhouses, barns, and in fact everything in its path. Four miles south of Mankato Lake five farmhouses and other buildings were caught in the storm and utterly demolished. Four people were killed here.

Many heart-rending scenes occurred during the night. The log house of a Bohemian family, near Minnesota Lake, was blown entirely away, not one log remaining. The family of a man, wife and six children spent the night miserably in the open air without shelter. They huddled together upon a heap of straw, and with a piece of sheet tried to ward off the cold wind and never-ceasing rain that chilled them to the bone.

Superintendent Earling is in receipt of the following telegram, dated at La Crosse coming via Mankato:

Train No. 21, on the Mankato line found obstruction on the track about four miles south of Mankato Lake, with two houses blown down and the ground covered with mud and debris. They cleared the track, and picked up the wounded and took them to Mankato Lake.

Another reads:

Train No. 211 is tied up at Minnesota Lake, and No. 212 at Mankato. Number 21 found a snow fence, timber and other material on the track, and several people killed in the neighborhood. Many were injured.

LATER REPORTS.
At Spring Valley damage aggregating \$50,000 was done. Large, heavy clouds came up in the west, gathering thick and dark, without warning the heavens broke loose with constant lightning and heavy peals of thunder. The rain came down in torrents, Spring Valley Creek was quickly swelled to its utmost. Then the bursting of a heavy cloud about nine o'clock made the little stream a raging torrent, raising it to five or six feet above the highest mark it ever reached, carrying everything in the way before it.

The first damage done was that of lifting the house occupied by a Mr. McDugan, and carrying it down against the iron bridge, demolishing everything in it, and Mrs. McDugan herself was not rescued until the following morning.

The following is a partial list of the killed in the vicinity of Wells: Alfred Frederick, John Brown, Mrs. John Brown, Andrew Petrus, Mrs. John Lantick, Herman Brown, daughter of Andrew Melchert, John Iverson and three children; child in the family of Andrew Lightenberg; child of John Bell, child of Mary Ann and Sten.

Many dead and injured in the Polish settlement six miles of Wells, can not be enumerated.

Albert Lea special gives the following list of the dead in Freeborn county: Andrew Hansen, Michael Iverson and three small children; M. Shequin and family; E. S. Carver and family; Andrew Paulson; Mrs. Christopherson and child.

Unknown man, drowned between Hartland and Richland.

OFF THE EARTH.
At Hartland five people were killed and many wounded. When the center of the cyclone approached Winnebago City, it seemed as though that village was fated and the greatest consternation prevailed there for a few minutes. The river seemed to divide the tornado, and one-half turned westerly and one-half northeasterly. The southern funnel swept around south of Wells and circled in to the east.

FIFTY KILLED IN ONE PLACE.
Ten are reported killed in the neighborhood of Mapleton, and 20 injured. The northern half of the cyclone was the more destructive. It passed northeasterly about four miles south of Minnesota Lake, and a building in its path was left standing, while many people were killed or wounded. The country devastated is one of the most prosperous sections of the State, and the houses were thickly dotted over the prairies. Scores of those houses were destroyed, and it is estimated the loss of life will foot up to from 50 to 60.

Wherever a building was destroyed, it was so totally and utterly demolished that not a vestige of it is left. At one place where the cyclone struck, eight houses in succession were destroyed, and at another the place was so completely washed off the face of the earth that no trace of it or its occupants could be found, though search was made.

Four miles north of Wells the storm raged in unrestrained fury. At Anthony Malcher's, the wife and a little girl were killed, and after the storm the wife was found in the grove clinging to a tree with one hand and hanging to the little girl with the other. In a pasture a few rods from the house were a dead cattle. Here the trees were literally crushed into the ground, and how the woman and child escaped death is a marvel.

The devastated territory was to-day covered with a flood of water, and through the deep mud, on horseback and in wagons, hundreds of people searched for some trace of their homes, some wind-tossed souvenir of their lost possessions, or for the faces of missing friends. It may be two or three days before the full sum of the disaster is known.

LIGHTNING KILLS THREE PERSONS IN CHICAGO.
During a thunder storm that passed over Chicago on Thursday lightning struck the Grant monument in Lincoln park, in the corridors of which nearly 60 people had sought shelter. Three were killed and two seriously injured. All of the others, with the exception of three, were thrown violently to the stone floor of the monument and received some severe shocks. The monument was but slightly damaged. The killed are: Lewis Meyer, Mrs. Shelby, unknown. The injured are Harry Phillips and Mrs. Maggie Olsen, both of Chicago.

A Victory for Oleo Dealers.
PHILADELPHIA, June 20.—In two cases stated for opinion Judge Biddle decided in favor of the defendants, who were charged with selling oleomargarine in violation of the State law, on the grounds that where such sales take place it must be proved that the oleomargarine was sold as an article of food.

A PENNSYLVANIA TOWN FIRE SWEEP.

Nearly all of the Business Portion Destroyed. No Lives Lost.

CHICORA, Pa., June 14.—About 11:30 o'clock to-night fire broke out at the lower end of Slippery street, near the depot. About 100 buildings were burned, including the Butler Bank building and Westernman, Bros. The water supply gave out entirely. Chicora has a population of about 1,500, and has been the trade center of many oil operators.

A list of business people burned out is as follows: Wingle's restaurant, McGinley's restaurant and confectionary, Mrs. Harris millinery; Boss grocery; H. C. Litzinger, grocery; H. H. Amey, billiard parlor; Furrucker's meat market; Stroebel, barber; Bowen, grocery; S. Frankle, dry goods; E. F. Hays, hardware; Beech's bakery; post-office; Taylor, barber and cigars; United pipe line office; Butler county bank building; Aiding's shoe store; James Gogan, oyster saloon; B. F. Westernman, gents furnishing goods; Mrs. Rosh, millinery; and Glass, grocery; Frazier's news depot.

Citizens called on United pipe line station for assistance, and succeeded in getting water from their pumps an hour and a half later, but the fire had gained such headway that water seemed almost useless. Buildings were torn down by the hook and ladder company, and several blown up by dynamite. This with the standard supply of water succeeded in stopping the fire. A number of houses were partially destroyed by fire and water.

The fire was gotten under control at Westernman Bros' store, it being iron finished. Many small dwellings at rear of the street were entirely destroyed, and many families are homeless. It is not thought any lives were lost.

CONDITION OF BUSINESS.
Excellent Reports of Trade From All Sections of the Country.