

Sheriff Atkins, of Boone County, Na., has been shot and killed by a band of outlaws and robbers.

One of the heaviest rain storms ever known in Texas visited Dallas on Sunday night, submerging the country for miles.

A waterspout burst over Hutchin's Station, Central Railway. Farm Implements, fences and crops were destroyed. Not a building remains.

At Nashville, during a fight over a game of marbles, Jack Shelby fatally shot Jack Sheegog. Both are 13 years of age.

At Danielsville, Conn., in a row in a bar room, Thos. Wood, colored, cut Morris Oliver with a razor. Wood took refuge in a cellar, and when found an hour later was dead.

At Ellettsville, Ill., one man was killed and three wounded by an explosion of dynamite at the stone works.

George Fuller and Henry Roberts, at Eastman, Ga., have confessed that while playing cards in February last they killed Edward Curry, put the body into a hollow stump and burned it. The crime was committed because they failed to win Curry's money.

A terrible cyclone struck Jamestown, O., on Sunday. Two-thirds of the town is completely ruined. Seven persons were killed. Several persons were badly wounded. Hundreds of people are turned out of their homes. The cyclone destroyed or damaged thirty houses at Alexanderville and Carrollton. Half a mile of the track of the Toledo and Cincinnati Railroad was torn up and blown away. The forests were levelled.

FIRES.—At Fall River, Mass., Sagamore Mills No. 1 caught fire just after the help had left. Supposed incendiary origin. The mill was entirely destroyed. Loss \$600,000.—At New York, a six-storey building, occupied by J. P. Thomas, cabinet maker, and the Scoville Manufacturing Company, here, was burned. Loss \$30,000.—The American Oak Leather Tannery, at Cincinnati, was burned on the 24th with 45,000 hides. Loss \$400,000. Four hundred people are thrown out of employment.—On the same day John Gheghaa's bindery and Deifenbar's moulding factory at New York were injured by fire to the extent of \$30,000.—At West Salem, O., twelve business places and two dwellings were burned.—Baker, Sloo & Co.'s wholesale saddlery was burned at New Orleans. Loss \$50,000.—At Portland, Me., the steamer Falmouth was burned. Loss \$100,000. Some men who slept aboard were burned to death.—At Glen's Falls, N.Y., the Union Hall, Little Opera House, Glen's Falls Opera House and block and the Presbyterian Church were all destroyed by fire. Loss \$200,000. Twelve business places were burned, thirty sufferers.—The Poor House in Van Buren County, Mich., has been burned. Fifteen or sixteen of the inmates lost their lives. Loss \$100,000.—At a fire in Filmore, Allegan County, Mich., six buildings, including a flouring mill, were burned. A woman was burned to death in trying to rescue her children from the flames.—Arbuckle Bros.' coffee mills in Brooklyn, N. Y., were gutted by fire. Loss between \$100,000 and \$150,000.—Terrible forest fires are still raging in Northern Michigan. Much property is being destroyed.—The forest along the line of the Leigh Valley Railroad from Newport to White Haven, a distance of fifteen miles, has been on fire for a few days past, destroying a vast amount of yellow pine, chestnut, and oak timber.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

In the shipyards of the Tyne the depression in shipbuilding has thrown close upon 10,000 out of employment at Tyneside alone. At Sunderland, too, it is estimated the depression has laid 10,000 men idle.

The budget was introduced in the Imperial House of Commons on the 24th. The national debt is said to be lower now than since 1811 and the interest lower than since 1805. The debt was reduced in 1883 by eight and a half millions.

A Madrid despatch says the Government claims to have further information of a revolutionary movement in the provinces. Several officers and civilians at Barcelona have been arrested.

By the breaking of a bridge near Duidadreal, in Spain, a train of passenger cars was precipitated into the river.

Thirty-eight corpses have been recovered from the wreck at Cinadid. The railway track lies in the river; 50 soldiers are missing.

A construction train on the Mexican Central Railroad was

wrecked Tuesday morning at Ottera. Two American employees were killed and ten wounded.

A terrible fire raged at Panama from 11 o'clock Sunday night to 4 o'clock Monday morning. No water was available. The market and two blocks of houses were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

EGYPT.—The English Government has sent invitations for a conference regarding Egyptian affairs to all the powers which signed the treaty of Berlin. France accepts the proposed conference in principle, but stipulates that it shall not be confined to the discussion of the financial situation. Public opinion is still running in the direction of a Gordon relief expedition. It is believed, however, that direct Government intervention will render subscriptions unnecessary. The Khedive has notified the British Government that because of the indecisive nature of the English policy in Egypt, which has long been one of intolerable annoyance, and has now become absolutely dangerous, the Egyptians have made up their minds that England really means to remain in Egypt permanently and thoroughly Anglicize the country. A telegram from Berber says it is impossible to communicate with General Gordon. The whole country is in rebellion.

Campaign Songs.

GOD BLESS OUR CAUSE.

REV. JOHN A. MCMILLAN.

God bless our sacred cause !
We plead for righteous laws,
Our homes to shield.
Our land has suffered long,
From an accursed wrong,
Whose roots are deep and strong ;
Nor do they yield.

We plead ! but all in vain ;
The people's deep-felt pain,
Finds no redress.
This deadly Upas tree
Spreads out, despite our plea,
And plants its rootlets free ;
To our distress.

Ten thousand woman groan ;
A million children moan,
In woeful want !
The curse that blights their years,
Is watered by their tears,
And gives them naught but jeers,
And hellish taunt.

The men we've placed in trust—
Who should be true and just—
Our laws to make,
Do, at their party's word,
Deny our plea, unheard ;
Nor by our prayers are stirred,
Its power to break.

Now let the people come,
And vote for God and home,
And temperance laws !
We'll be no more deceived,
Our land *must* be retrieved,
And from this curse relieved !
God bless our cause !

—Patriot.