

Hurricane and Awful Deluge

Cause a Terrible Calamity at
Galveston, Texas.

The Angry Waters of the Gulf Inundate the City—Hundreds
If Not Thousands of Lives Lost—4,000 Buildings Wrecked
—One Report Says 3,000 People Perished—Other
Towns Suffer Severely—Incalculable Damage to
Railways, Bridges, Crops and Property.

Houston, Texas, Sept. 10.—A hurricane, accompanied by a heavy rain, prevailed along the Texas coast and for a hundred miles inland Saturday. Telegraph and telephone wires were down along the coast, and Galveston was cut off entirely. Communication was lost at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and no trains were operated. The last report from Galveston stated that the gulf waters were encroaching rapidly on the beach, and that the flood had extended into the residence portion of the city for several blocks.

THE PATH OF THE STORM.
Dallas, Texas, Sept. 9.—3 p.m.—Telegraphic communication with South Texas is cut off about 100 miles north of Houston. The last wire the Western Union had to Houston went down at 1:30 this morning.

The storm center is rapidly approaching Northern Texas, and its fury wreaks all telegraphic, and in its path, doing vast damage, and killing people in scattered localities. A cyclone has demolished a part of the town of Smithville, on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway.

LOSS OF LIFE.

A number of persons are reported killed. The railroad and telegraphic companies have gangs and wrecking trains out attempting to work their way south, but the fierceness of the storm makes it impossible for them to gain any headway, having to seek shelter in order to save their lives.

GALVESTON'S GREAT BRIDGES GONE.

The conditions at Galveston and Houston are undoubtedly grave. The wind was blowing 60 miles an hour. The four immense bridges, from four to six miles each in length, connecting Galveston with the mainland are either wholly or partially wrecked. The storm at Temple was severe.

A private message from San Antonio states that a serious disaster occurred at Corpus Christi, Rockport, and other coast towns, the nature of which cannot be determined.

A bulletin from Smithville at noon states that the grain elevators and other large buildings at Galveston had been washed into the bay.

All the efforts to reach Sabine Pass and Port Arthur have failed.

3,000 Lives Lost.

THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FIGURES.
New York, Sept. 9.—The World tomorrow will print the following: "Austin, Texas, Sept. 9.—Information has just reached me that about 3,000 lives have been lost at Galveston, with enormous destruction of property. No information from other points. (Signed) John D. Sayers, Governor."

SABIN PASS CITY GONE.
Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 9.—A special from Beaumont today says a report there that the City of Sabin Pass was completely destroyed by the storm.

MANY TOWNS IN RUINS.
Houston, Sept. 9.—Meagre reports are reaching here from the country between Houston and Galveston along the line of the Santa Fe Railway. The tornado was the most destructive in the history of the state. The town of Alvin is reported to be practically demolished. Hitchcock has suffered severely from the storm, while the little town of Alta Loma is reported without a house standing. The town of Pearl has lost one-half of its buildings. L. B. Carlson, the president of the Business League, of Alvin, and a prominent merchant there, reports that not a building is left standing in the town, either residence or business. Stocks of goods and house furniture are ruined, and crops are a total loss. Alvin is a town of about 1,200 inhabitants.

SEVEN KILLED.
Seven persons were killed in and near the town. They are: Mrs. Prather, killed on Santa Fe Railroad track; J. M. Johnson; Mrs. J. M. Johnson; sister of Mrs. Johnson, name not known; S. C. Lewis; John Galasspy; a boy named Iyehardson.

HUNDREDS OF CORPSES.
Dallas, Texas, Sept. 9.—The following telegram, just received from Houston by the News: "Relief train just returned. Did not get closer than six miles of Virginia Point, where the

prairie was covered with lumber, debris, planks, trunks and dead bodies. Two hundred corpses were counted from the train. A large steamer is stranded two miles this side of Virginia Point as though blown up by a tidal wave. Nothing can be seen of Galveston.

2,000 LIVES LOST.
"Two men were picked up who floated across to the mainland, who say they estimate the loss of life up to the time they left at 2,000."

The above message is addressed to Superintendent Pelton, Dallas, and comes from Mr. Vaughn, manager of the Western Union office at Houston.

WORST ON RECORD.
Houston, Texas, Sept. 9.—The storm that raged along the coast of Texas last night was the most disastrous that has ever visited this section. Every town that is reached reports one or more dead, and the property damaged is so great that there is no way of computing it accurately.

It is known that the railroad bridges across the bay at Galveston are either wrecked or are likely to be destroyed with the weight of a train.

MORE TOWNS WIPE OUT.
A train went down the Columbia Tap this morning as far as Chenango Junction. The town was greatly damaged, and the bodies of nine negroes were taken from the ruins of the houses. The train could proceed no further, and came back to Houston, leaving the fate of the people of Ingletton, Columbia, Brazos and Quintana uncertain. The small town of Brookshire, on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas was almost wiped out by the storm.

Two bodies have been brought in from Seabrooke, on Galveston Railway, and seventeen persons are missing there. Three persons were drowned at Morgan's Point, and others are missing.

THE FURY OF THE STORM.
Houston, Texas, Sept. 9.—10 p.m.—The West Indian storm, which reached the gulf coast yesterday morning, wrought awful havoc in Texas.

The first news to reach this city from the stricken city of Galveston was received tonight. James Timmins, who lived in Houston, and who is the general superintendent of the National Commerce Company, arrived here at 8 o'clock from Galveston. After remaining through the hurricane of Saturday he departed from Galveston on a schooner, and came across the bay to Morgan's Point, where he caught a train for Houston. The hurricane, Mr. Timmins said, was the worst ever known.

4,000 HOUSES DESTROYED.
The estimates made by citizens of Galveston was that 4,000 houses, most of them residences, have been destroyed, and at least 1,000 people have been drowned, killed or missing. Some business houses were also destroyed, but most of them stood, though badly damaged. The city, Mr. Timmins says, is a complete wreck, so far as he could see from the water front and from the Tremont Hotel.

WIND BLEW EIGHTY MILES AN HOUR.
Water was blown over the island by the hurricane, the wind blowing at the rate of 80 miles an hour straight from the gulf, and forcing the sea water before it in big waves. The gale was a steady one, the heart of it striking the city about 6 o'clock yesterday evening, and continuing without intermission until midnight last night, when it abated somewhat, although it continued to blow all night.

PROMINENT CITIZENS KILLED.
One house that Mr. Timmins saw destroyed was the latter's saloon and restaurant, at 2,019 Strand street, a principal street of the city. This three-story building was blown down, and nine men, prominent citizens, were killed. Among the dead are: Charles Kelner, sen., a cotton buyer for an English firm; Stanley C. Spencer, general manager of the Elder-Dempsey Steamship Line, and Richard Scott, manager for the McFadden Cotton Company, whose body is still in the ruins. Secretary Bayley, of the wharf company, and several waiters and customers saved themselves by jumping from the upper story before the crash came. It was reported that the orphan asylum and both the hospitals were destroyed.

GALVESTON ISLAND SUBMERGED.
The water extended across the island. Mr. Timmins said it was three feet deep in the rooms of the Tremont Hotel, and was six feet deep in the market square. Along the water front the damage was very great. The roofs had been blown from all the elevators, and the sheds along the wharves were either wrecked or had lost their sides

and were of no protection to the contents.

MANY VESSELS WRECKED.
Most of the small sailing craft were wrecked, and were either piled up on the wharves or floating bottom side up in the bay. There is a small steamship ashore three miles north of Pelican Island, but Mr. Timmins could not distinguish her name. She was flying a British flag. Another big vessel has been driven ashore at Virginia Point, and still another is aground at Texas City. At the south point of Houston Island an unknown ship lies in a helpless condition. The lightship that marks Galveston bar is hard and fast aground at Bolivar Point. Mr. Timmins and the men with him on the schooner rescued two sailors from the middle bay, who had been many hours in the water. These men were foreigners, and he could gain no information from them. A wreck of a vessel, which looked like a big steam tug, was observed just before the party landed. In the bay the carcasses of nearly 200 horses and mules were seen, but no human body was visible. Inland there has been much damage to the cotton crop.

HARROWING SCENES.
The scenes during the storm, Mr. Timmins said, could be described. Women and children were crowded into the Tremont Hotel, where he was seeking shelter, and all night these unfortunate were bemoaning their losses of kindred and fortune. The city of Galveston, he says, is now entirely submerged, and cut off from communication. The boats are gone, the railroads cannot be operated, and the water is so high people cannot walk out by way of the bridge across the bay, even should the bridge be standing.

PROVISIONS NEEDED—A WATER FAMINE THREATENED.

Provisions will be badly needed, as a great majority of the people lost all they had. The waterworks power house was wrecked, and a water famine threatened, as the cisterns were all ruined by the storm. Mr. Timmins regards as the most serious problem to be faced now. The city is in darkness, the electric light plant having been ruined. There is no way of estimating the property damage at present.

The Santa Fe train which left here at 7:55 Saturday night, was wrecked at a point about two miles north of Alvin. Mrs. Prather, of Houston, Texas, was killed, and several were injured.

FOUR FEET UNDER WATER.
Passengers from Port Arthur, Texas, report that four feet under water. One of the New York Dredge Company's boats was wrecked. Several lives were lost. At Morgan City considerable damage was done to the rails and bridges of the railroad by a boat being blown into it.

AT NEW ORLEANS.
New Orleans, Sept. 9.—The storm which struck New Orleans Friday evening continued its fury, with heavy downpours of rain until daylight on Saturday, prostrating telegraph and telephone wires in all directions. Only two lives are known to have been lost, but almost the entire state felt the effects of the blow.

There is an unconfirmed rumor that the hurricane raging along the gulf coast played havoc with the town of Rockport, on the lower coast, and that the great club house built by E. H. R. Green near there has been blown away, with loss of life, as there were several guests in the house.

BY CANNIBALS

Nine Members of an Expedition Were
Killed—Only Three Escaped.

Chicago, Sept. 10.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Hermosillo, Mex., says: Nine of the dozen members of the Wells expedition, which left Guyamas last June to explore Tortugas, have been slain by the cannibals on that island. The three men who escaped did so only after a fierce fight to reach one of their boats.

The Wells expedition was fitted out by Mr. Wells, of Hermosillo, to explore the island of Tortugas in the Gulf of California. The expedition left Guyamas in a sloop last June.

The Wells expedition landed on the north coast of the island in July and for three days was unmolested. The explorers erected several strong huts which they planned to use as forts in case of attack.

In the afternoon of the fourth day, when the entire party was ashore, they were attacked by the savages. So sudden was the attack that the small party was panic-stricken. The firearms were not within easy reach, and many of these were secured by the savages before the explorers had recovered from their confusion.

Wakefield Newton, in command of the expedition, gave the order to take to the boats. But only three of the men escaped. The savages barred the way to three of the four boats.

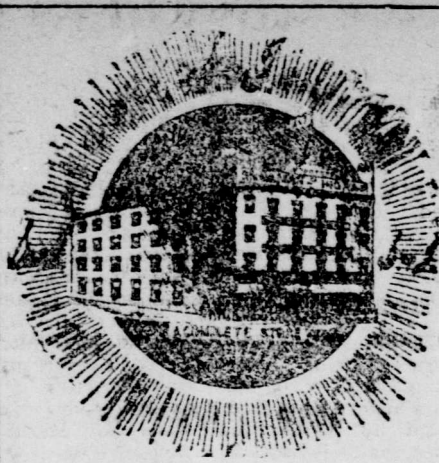
Township Councils.

DELAWARE.
Delaware township council met Aug. 15, all the members present. The revee reported he had consulted the solicitor, re the petition of H. Scott and others, and he advised no action. He also stated that he had interviewed the solicitor, re claim made by Southwood, and that he would advise the council to look into the matter. Report adopted and clerk authorized to inform the claim of Southwood, and interview Mr. Fox, the late treasurer, and report at next meeting. The committee appointed, re the right of a road to the farm of T. Scott, advised no action at present. Report approved.

The rate for the township was fixed at 3 mills on the dollar. The engineer's report, re government branch drain, stated that the work had exceeded the estimates about \$49. The clerk was instructed to take the proceedings necessary for raising the same and report at next meeting.

Franklin Leucker and Hull asked that the road work charged against them be struck off, as they had performed the work with the pathmaster for last year. Granted.

The following accounts were read and ordered paid: Nicholas Lockwood, gravel, \$17.20; M. Thornecroft, gravel, \$6.60; O. Sinker, gravel, \$19.80; C. McArthur, gravel, \$7.10; Mr. Piper, gravel, \$12.50; clerk and treasurer's salary to date, \$127.50; Hammond Bros., goods, \$4.19; J. A. Bell and others, fees re Pulford and branch drains, \$53.42; Geo. Patrick, lumber, \$3.48; Wm. Cudney, work on town hall and boiler hall,



THE WEATHER TODAY—Fine; not much change in temperature.

EARLY CLOSING.—Customers will kindly bear in mind that this store closes at 7 o'clock every Saturday evening to permit employees to enjoy a well earned rest.

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The saying "seeing it's you" doesn't sell goods any more. It was a favorite sale clincher in days gone by, even though it placed the purchaser under a compliment to the salesman, who made believe that no other person could buy at the price. He said the same thing to everybody. Times have changed. Years ago we instituted in London the one-price cash system, believing that treating all alike would be best for us and best for our customers. It has so worked out. Here you get nothing but the best value at the least possible price—and that price is cash.

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There is nothing like being ready for every occasion, and to be ready one needs to have a Black Silk Dress in the wardrobe. We believe that these prices will enable you to get a good one at a low figure.

21-inch Taffeta, the yard.....	50c	21-inch Beau de Soie, the yard.....	75c
23-inch Taffeta, the yard.....	65c and 75c	22-inch Beau de Soie, the yard.....	\$1.00 and \$1.25
23-inch Taffeta, the yard.....	85c and \$1.00	22-inch Beau de Soie, the yard.....	\$1.50
23-inch Taffeta, the yard.....	\$1.25 and \$1.50	23-inch Satin, the yard.....	49c
23-inch Taffeta, the yard.....	\$1.10	24-inch Satin, the yard.....	65c and 85c
21-inch Satin Duchesse, the yard.....	\$1.00	24-inch Satin, the yard.....	.95c
24-inch Satin Duchesse, the yard.....	\$1.35	21-inch Armure Silk, for mourning.....	\$1.25 and \$1.50

Just received, Black Taffeta, corded and hemstitched with black; Black Taffeta, corded and hemstitched with white; White Taffeta, corded and hemstitched with white—the very latest for shirt waists and very handsome—21 inches wide, at the yard..... \$1.25

Black Dress Goods

Court Serge makes one of the most serviceable suitings in medium weight that can be had, being thoroughly shrunken. It will not spot.

42-inch, at the yard..... 65c and 75c

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English Homespun, in black, is one of the most up-to-date suitings for this season. Being heavy in weight it can be worn all through the winter season with comfort.

42-inch, at the yard..... 75c

52-inch, at the yard..... \$1.00

Colored Dress Goods

50-inch homespun, beautifully finished, just the weight for autumn wear, splendid colorings, the yard..... \$1.00

50-inch Homespuns, in checks, very fine and in elegant colorings; the yard..... \$1.00

52-inch Cheviot Suitings, entirely new, beautifully finished, in gray brown and navy; the yard..... \$1.00

50-inch Homespun, in dark gray, camel hair effect, heavy twill and special, at the yard..... \$1.00

Ask to be shown those specially made Camel Hair Goods for our fine trade; invisible stripes and plain, in beautiful colorings.

Underwear Specials

This is the season to think of Underwear. Perhaps you will be led to think when we announce the arrival of a special lot of Light Weight, All Wool Vests for fall wear, in natural and white, with quarter sleeve (Health Brand), at 85c each; and the same quality with long sleeves, at \$1.00 each.

Clearing sale of Summer Cotton Vests, quarter sleeve, regular 12 1/2c Vests, now at, each..... 10c, or 3 for 25c

A few Knitted Corset Covers left of our regular 50c and 35c lines; clearing now at..... 25c and 35c

It is a profitable plan to come early after reading our announcements. We never can tell how long the lines advertised will hold out. Those who come first have best selection and are surer of getting the color, the size or style of garment desired.

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DISTRESS IN NORTHERN LABRADOR.

St. Johns, Nfld., Sept. 8.—Reports from northern Labrador reveal the existence of great distress among the fishermen, owing to the ice remaining on the coast so long. Many vessels have been crushed in the floes, losing their supplies and fishing outfits. The others are meeting with but poor success. The Labrador cod fishery is a virtual failure.

SAFE, CERTAIN, PROMPT, ECONOMIC.—These few adjectives apply with peculiar force to Dr. Thomas' Eucalyptic Oil—a standard, external and internal remedy, applied to the relief and cure of coughs, sore throat, hoarseness and all effects of the breathing organs, kidney troubles, excretions, sores, lameness and physical pain.

The thorns remain long after the rose has faded. Some people seem to enjoy depriving others of enjoyment.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The annual number of births is estimated at thirty six million, seven hundred and ninety two thousand. What a cry goes forth every year from millions of infants under the threat of infantile distress, under pain of Wild Cholera, and Distress during teething. Dr. Hammond-Hall's English Teething Syrup comforts crying children, and without opiates or dangerous drugs, dispels a brown and bloating to babies. (25 CENTS) British Chemists Company, Toronto, Canada.

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