

SIoux CITY IN TERROR.

OVERWHELMED BY A MIGHTY FLOOD.

Over Thirty People Swept to an Awful Fate by a Death-Dealing Cloudburst—Fully Three Thousand Rendered Homeless—\$4,000,000 Damage.

A Restless Torrent.

Wednesday morning the most fearful flood ever known in Iowa struck Sioux City. It was the result of a cloudburst in the valley of the Floyd River. The loss of life is appalling, but its exact extent is not yet known. Fifteen bodies have already been recovered, and it is feared the victims will be at least double that number.

Reports of the missing six fully 100 persons have not yet accounted for. Most of them are children, and it is thought that the majority of them have wandered away in their terror and are being sheltered by strangers.

The water of the flood, from the manufacturing suburb of Leeds down to the Missouri, is from one to two miles wide, a low flat, and includes the manufacturing and industrial districts of the city, the railroad yard and shops, and the houses of a large part of the population of the city. The water came down with a rush and in an hour the valley was a roaring sea from river to bluff. The river continued to rise, coming up Third and Fourth streets in the Missouri bottom and reaching across most of the business part of town.

The people were taken by surprise and some were so struck by terror as to be unable to make a move to escape. One rider in a sulky was mired by the waves as he came up Fourth street and was drowned. Many fled but half dressed. Others were unaware of the danger and their first warning was when they were snatched by the rescuers, placed in wagons and hurried to places of safety.

There were many boats, but most of them, having no boats, were powerless. Early in the day a woman was seen wading in the stream, holding a child above her head. A rescuing party went for her in a boat, but the current caught them, and the woman and child were seen to disappear under a mass of rubbish and were drowned. Nellie West and a man named Polly and three children were also drowned, and when last seen the mother was wildly waving a piece of cloth from a second-story window as the house floated away. One old lady was found sitting astride the roof of a house up to the eaves in water and was rescued.

A house containing a man, a woman, and a large family of children, was blown down the center of the stream. It struck a bridge and went under. The rescuers made for the spot and the woman was rescued after four attempts. Cheer on cheer went up from the throats of the watchers on the bank. A house with several occupants floated down, and a large made several unsuccessful attempts and finally saved all of them. One man was seen swimming ashore with a woman and a child in his back. The woman was chilled and frightened, and wept. One woman and her child gave birth to a girl baby, and both will survive the terrible day.

A rescuing crew of two men, whose names could not be learned, saved several families and finally, in order to get them out of the water, they were blown down the center of the stream. They got the family of three, a man, wife, and child, and started for the shore. The boat capsized in the middle of the stream and all five were drowned. Twenty-one bodies were seen to float down the stream, and a floating railroad in a space of two hours after the flood came. To add to the horror the rising water slacked lime in the Quail & Co. lumber yards. Pieces of this huge raft of blazing lumber floated down the stream, setting fire to houses in their path.

The first note of warning was a telegram received from Hinton, twelve miles up the valley, saying that a fourteen-foot rise was coming. Intelligence was sent to the police station, and Chief Havman was notified. He sent at once for an engine, loaded a boat, and started up the Illinois Central tracks for Leeds. The wave was struck when but a short distance up, and the boat was launched at once.

From one house three children were taken, but the mother could not be rescued and perished. From another house seven people were taken who had crawled into the attic. Five people were removed from the roof. The debris piled up so that it would bear the weight of a man and greatly hindered the work.

When the word came Captain of Police Wicks and a posse made haste to reach the spot. The flood came, and many would not listen to words of warning, saying they had seen high water before. They stayed and were drowned. Others were saved, with little of their belongings. At 10 o'clock the fire alarm was sounded to call out more workers. All the boats from the boat houses on the Sioux River were brought in and used to save life and property.

At 1 o'clock p. m. the water had reached to Jennings' store on Fourth street. The Hotel Fowle and the Boston Investment Company's building were surrounded. The Union depot was cut off at 3 o'clock. It is estimated that 8,000 people have been driven from their homes. All business is suspended. Before noon the ladies had several soup and lunch houses opened for the flood sufferers. At noon 375 people had registered for relief and 100 applications had then only just been begun. The water was at the verge of the waters were pitiful. There was neither gaslight nor electric light, as both plants were under water.

The water was slowly receding at night. A citizens' meeting at the court house organized to provide several thousand people with shelter. The damage to property will reach \$4,000,000. The loss of the Sioux City and Northern Railroad will exceed \$200,000. Miles of cedar block paving were washed out.

Cause of Sadness. "Dora must have suffered some terrible disappointment. One never sees her smile now. What is the matter?" "Two front teeth pulled."—Life.

Nick Was a Terror.

The best hawk searer and fighter we ever had on the farm was a tame crow that we called Nick. Nick was a Crow Sun. Father had taught the crow to fight with the roosters, and he had sent to the city and got a pair of steel gaffs for him. Nick was always on the alert for hawks, and if he saw one hovering over the farm buildings he made for it and knocked it about in the air until it steered for the peak, when Nick would come sailing home with a song of triumph. After father had got Nick well trained in the use of the steel spurs he left them on the crow the day time while the chickens and turkeys were small. While the family were at dinner one day heard a terrific screaming out in the meadow. We all rushed out, and there was Nick and a mammoth hawk lively content. We saw Nick jabbing his steel spurs into the hawk's head like a game cock, and he was making it so hot for the hawk that it didn't rise three feet from the stubble before Nick hit it a clip in the head and dived it again. Nick killed the hawk in a short time, and a few days afterward he drove another one into the top of an apple tree and spurred it to death. At another time Nick tackled a hawk just after it had caught a chicken. He was so scientifically that he hawk quickly tumbled into a fence corner, where Nick punched its head full of holes and left it to die. One afternoon a hawk got high up over the barn with a young owl. Nick got hold of it. He killed it after it, and the hawk gave up and was thatched. During the night a leopard, which smelt the presence of the cow and calf, mounted the roof of the shed and proceeded to force an entrance by scattering through the thatch. The cow at the same time detected the presence of the leopard, and, ever mindful of her calf, stood ready to receive the intruder. It is supposed that upon the leopard's descent it was at once pinned to the ground, before it had time to make its spring.

The noise of a tremendous struggle aroused the blacksmith, who, with a lantern in his hand, opened the catter-shed door and discovered the cow in a frantic state, butting and tossing to and fro some large object which evidently had lost all power of resistance. This was the leopard in the last gasp, having been run through the body by the ready horns of the courageous mother, whose little calf was nestled in a corner, un-mindful of the maternal struggle.

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Cow and Leopard. A man who has spent much time in the observation of the ways and habits of the wilder sort of animals tells the following curious story of the audacity of a leopard which paid a nocturnal visit to the cattle-shed of a blacksmith.

A native cow had a calf, this being her first-born, the mother was exceedingly vicious, and it was unsafe for a stranger to approach her, especially as her horns were unusually long and pointed.

The cattle-shed was scooped out of the hillside and was within a few feet of the blacksmith's house. The roof was thatched. During the night a leopard, which smelt the presence of the cow and calf, mounted the roof of the shed and proceeded to force an entrance by scattering through the thatch.

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