

STORM IN THE SOUTH

Fierce Hurricane Along the Coast of Georgia.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE REPORTED

The Storm Was Especially Severe About Savannah, and Many Vessels Were Destroyed.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 29.—A Times-Democrat special from Atlanta says:

A disastrous hurricane swept over Brunswick and along the Georgia coast this morning. Meager reports have been received from the storm center, saying the hurricane was most terrific and that great damage and probable loss of life resulted. All the wires along the coast are down, and up to a late hour communication has not been restored to Brunswick, Savannah or Charleston. The wires are down for a distance of forty or fifty miles this side of Brunswick and no information has been received from that place, except by a train, which left there while the storm was raging. The train was delayed in Brunswick two hours, the engine being unable to make headway against the wind, which was blowing at a high velocity.

Wires, telephone and telegraph, and parts of buildings were blown down and carried away. People were injured by flying objects, and one lady was killed at Everett, a station a few miles from Brunswick. The railroad track was obstructed by trees and poles, and the only train which came through from Brunswick was preceded by a wrecking train for a distance of twenty miles.

Mr. Herrin, of the Atlantic Telephone Company, reached Atlanta tonight from Brunswick, and states that the city of Brunswick is badly damaged, and that three big vessels were sunk in Brunswick. The latter were blown away from their moorings.

CAN WE RECEIVE THEM.

Pauper Immigration Laws May Bar Out Armenian Refugees.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—The attention of Commission Stump, of the emigrant bureau, was today called to the movement looking to the colonization in this country of Armenian refugees. Commissioner Stump said Secretary Carlisle and himself had been fully advised of such a movement, and various appeals has been made from Lady Henry Somerset, Francis Willard and English and American relief associations asking the co-operation of the government in furnishing these stricken people an asylum in the United States; but, while the sympathies of all good people must be aroused in their behalf, of course the government must enforce the laws as they exist. The matter was being investigated, and if any lawful means could be found, they would be exercised in behalf of the refugees. The law on the subject, however, strictly prohibits the landing in this country of all persons likely to become public charges, and also "any person whose ticket or passage money is paid for with the money of others, or who is assisted by others to come in."

Lady Henry Somerset, it is understood inquired whether bonds would be received that these Armenians would not become public charges. A reply has been sent that the department cannot accept bonds, except under special circumstances, after thorough investigation of each individual case. It seems probable the law puts an insurmountable obstacle in the way of relief in the manner proposed.

An English Syndicate's Offer.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—The Cuban junta has received an offer from an English syndicate of a loan of \$6,000,000 for \$80,000,000 payable in twenty years. President T. Estrada Palma and the other members of the junta held a conference as soon as the offer was received. Palma was asked what action had been taken.

"We have taken no decided action as yet," he said. "We have received a number of similar offers from bankers, who see that we are almost certain to win, and we have them all under ad-

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visement. We will probably accept the best terms, the offer of the English syndicate seems to call for a very large interest, but the fact that they may never get it back must be considered. During the last year of the Mexican war for independence Mexican bonds sold for \$2.50 on the hundred."

Attacked the Trocha.

HAVANA, Sept. 29.—Pinar del Rio official advices say that, on the 25th and 26th instant rebel groups attacked the western trocha along the entire line, firing upon almost every government fort between Mariel and Majala. A Havana train carrying troops to reinforce Artemisa was fired upon by insurgents at a point between Los Canas and Alquizar. A sergeant and ten privates were wounded. General Beral started this morning from Pinar del Rio to resume command in the field and begin active operations.

Suicide Near Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 29.—Mrs. Nathan Bond, a widow 73 years old, living with her son, Albert Bond, committed suicide yesterday evening by taking poison. She went to an oak grove 200 yards from the house, taking a rope to hang herself if the poison failed to act. She was lying under a small leaning oak when found. A phial containing water and some other liquid was on the ground by her side, and grains of poisoned wheat, used to kill squirrels, were scattered on the ground.

The neighbors were aroused by Mrs. Albert Bond and her daughter, and commenced a search early in the evening, but did not find the body until 1 o'clock this morning. It was lying as described, one end of the rope being around the neck. She evidently intended to put the end over the leaning tree, step on a bucket that was near the tree, with a board on it, fasten the rope, kick the bucket away, and so finish the work, if the poison failed to act. It was not necessary, as the poison completed the work. Coroner Wright, of Harrisburg, held an inquest, and the verdict of the coroner's jury was that death resulted from poison taken with suicidal intent.

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EX-SECRETARY SCHURZ.

SHOWS CLEARLY THAT FREE SILVER WOULD MEAN RUIN TO INDUSTRY.

Threat to Put the United States on the Silver Basis Would Cause Business Stagnation—Mr. Bryan's Scheme to Throw the Country Into Fits So That He Can Try His Sixteen to One Quack Medicine—Evil Effects of the Free Coinage Agitation Already Manifest.

Hon. Carl Schurz, ex-secretary of the interior, addressed an immense audience in Central Music hall, Chicago, on Sept. 5. Speaking of a possible free silver victory he said:

Consider what the immediate consequences would be if Mr. Bryan were elected president, with a congress to match. Mr. Bryan would of course be anxious to have his free coinage law enacted, but that could not be, even if he called an extra session of congress, until some time in April or May, five or six months after the day of election. But as soon as on the 4th of November the result of the election was announced everybody would know that the parity of gold and silver would not be maintained.

It having been made certain by Mr. Bryan's election that the parity of gold and silver would not be maintained, there would be a rush upon the treasury for the gold in it by persons holding greenbacks entitled to redemption, and the gold reserve would be exhausted in a twinkling. Gold will instantly disappear from circulation, to be hoarded or exported. Why will it disappear? Because every sensible person when making a payment will prefer to make it in the less valuable dollar and hold the more valuable gold dollar back for more profitable use. Gold will therefore quickly rise to a premium, and we shall be on the silver basis long before a free coinage law can be enacted. Our daily transactions in buying and selling, in paying and receiving wages, will no longer be carried on upon the basis of the gold dollar worth 100 cents, but of the silver dollar worth 50 cents or thereabout, for the government will no longer hold up the silver dollar to the value of the gold dollar.

The quantity of gold vanishing from circulation will amount to about \$600,000,000, the disappearance of which will make a tremendous hole in the volume of our currency. But, says the silver man, there will be free silver coinage to fill the gap promptly with coined silver or silver certificates. Oh, no, my fellow sufferers. The disappearance of gold will happen promptly after the election of Mr. Bryan, and there will not possibly be any free coinage of silver for at least six months, and it will require a great many more months to fill a gap of \$600,000,000.

What will happen meanwhile? The St. Louis Globe-Democrat reports Mr. Bryan to have said some time ago: "I think it—meaning the victory of the free coinage movement—will cause a panic. But the country is in a deplorable condition, and it will take extreme measures to restore it to a condition of prosperity." Whereupon the St. Louis paper pointedly remarks, "Evidently Mr. Bryan has heard of the doctor who always threw his patient into fits before administering any curative, medicine." Just so.

How, then, would Mr. Bryan's "fit" work? The sudden disappearance of our gold from circulation would produce the most stringent contraction of the currency on record. Business men who owe money and at the same time have money due them will be forced to collect that money by every means at their disposal. Nobody will be inclined to lend out any money except upon extraordinary security. The banks will naturally consider it their duty to keep themselves strong, and therefore to call in loans and to restrict their discounts and advances to business men with the utmost caution. Business establishments, manufacturers, mercantile houses, unable to get the money for meeting their obligations, will by the hundreds succumb to their embarrassments and tumble down like a row of bricks. Others will cautiously restrict their operations to the narrowest possible limit, and wage earners by the thousands will lose their employment and be turned into the street.

How can I foretell these things with so much assurance? Because they have already cast their shadows before. Do you remember the crisis of 1893, when the silver basis was in sight? And now again the mere apprehension of a possibility of Mr. Bryan's election and of the consequent slipping of our country upon the silver basis has already caused untold millions of our securities to be thrown upon the market in Europe as well as here.

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