

trade around the roof of the White House was burned down during the storm, crashing through the roof and portico at the eastern entrance of the basement. A large portion of the portico was destroyed with it.

Later tonight it was learned that George White was the only person killed. The property loss in this city will reach a quarter of a million. Reports of much damage come from north and south. Harrisburg and Altoona say the storm was very severe there.

#### A WATERSPOUT.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 23.—A telephone message just received from Washington reports that a cyclone and waterspout struck that city, seven persons were killed, and Ketzert Hall is on fire. The storm struck this city, making telegraphing almost impossible. Communication with Washington is out off at present.

#### REPORTS FROM PITTSBURG.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 23.—A storm of great violence swept over this city this morning, doing great damage and injuring several persons, one it is thought fatally. From all parts of Pittsburgh and Allegheny come reports of damage by the storm. Houses were blown down or unroofed. Trees and signs were broken down, and telegraph poles torn up and wires broken. In the west end a building in course of construction was blown down, crushing a small dwelling adjoining. The occupants all escaped but Mrs. Peebles, who was preparing dinner in the kitchen. She was probably fatally injured. Numerous accidents from falling signs and flying brick occurred, but, as far as reported, they are not of a serious nature. Telephone and telegraph wires were prostrated all over the city, and communications cut from all points. For three hours the streets were flooded by a heavy rain.

It is feared that great damage will yet result to the coal fleet in the river.

On account of the crippled condition of the telegraphic service, news from the surrounding districts concerning the storm is meager. It is known, however, that it was severe at all points east, and a great deal of damage was done, particularly along the railroads. Great damage is reported along the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad west of Connellsville.

At New Brighton, Pennsylvania, there was much damage by falling trees, chimneys, etc., and the crossing of electric wires set fire to several houses.

At Butler, Penn., several frame buildings were completely demolished and the occupants buried in the ruins, but Joseph Manny, Jr., is the only one seriously injured.

This evening the wind is again very high in Pittsburgh and the rain has turned to snow.

The storm had a disastrous effect upon the derricks in the oil fields. The old as well as new derricks were blown down, and nearly all the districts within fifty miles of Pittsburgh suffered to a greater or lesser extent from the storm. The losses to oil men are roughly estimated at \$25,000.

At midnight the high wind still prevailed and it was alternately raining and snowing. Communication by telegraph is still cut off from the East and all wires of the Western Union

and Postal companies are prostrated. Between Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and New York the same condition prevails, while to the north, west and south they are working, but very poorly.

#### A BLIZZARD IN WEST VIRGINIA.

WHEELING, W. V., Nov. 23.—A terrific blizzard passed over this city today, and rain, snow and wind played havoc. From points outside the city come reports of considerable damage.

At Moundsville the carriage works were completely wrecked, and several men seriously injured. The west end of the glass works was blown in.

From other points news of more or less damage is coming.

#### THE STORM IN OHIO.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 23.—The storm here today was the worst in a long time. Rain has fallen continually since yesterday forenoon. The wind blew a gale all today.

Tonight it is growing colder. The Erie road reports two feet of snow twenty miles south of the city.

At Ashtabula, O., the storm did not much damage. A brick school building collapsed at 2 o'clock. The children were taken out by the teachers when they saw the storm coming, and none were hurt. Many roofs were blown off and other damage done.

At Akron the wind blew in the front of John Pringle's livery stable, and played havoc with signs and shade trees. The rains turned to snow about noon, and the fall was very heavy, seriously interfering with telegraphic communication.

A blinding snowstorm is now raging at Canton and Massillon, and trains are delayed.

#### THE STORM WAS TERRIBLE.

YORK, Pa., Nov. 23.—At Hanover, this county, the storm was terrible. Many residences are badly damaged. Reter's wagon works was completely demolished, Howard Cavanaugh was killed and seven others badly injured.

At Carlisle two school buildings were blown down, but fortunately only two pupils were severely injured.

#### ONE FATALLY HURT.

NEWTON, Miss., Nov. 23.—A cyclone swept over Lawrence, four miles west of here, yesterday afternoon. Many houses were wholly or partially demolished, and a number of persons hurt, but, as far as heard, only one fatally.

#### AT BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 23.—Shortly after noon today a wind and rainstorm of unusual intensity struck the city, blowing down signs and chimneys, and doing other damage. The roof of the oyster packing-house of C. S. Maltby was blown off by the wind, and a number of persons working in the top story injured, but none seriously.

#### BUILDINGS DAMAGED.

MEADVILLE, Pa., Nov. 23.—The storm struck here with terrific force at noon today. Many buildings were damaged, and shade trees and chimneys blown down all over town. Reports from neighboring towns tell of serious damage. No lives were lost.

#### THE WAVE OF DEVASTATION.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The storm of the day, which has been so remarkable in its varied characteristics, and far-

reaching in the area of its sweep, will be recorded especially in the log books of the telegraph and telephone companies, as having equalled if not exceeded the paralysis wrought by the great blizzard of 1888.

Originating near Southern Georgia or Northern Florida, this wave of devastation swept northward, bearing down in its path the flimsy wires, snapping off trees and telegraph poles, and wrecking substantial buildings. Reaching the Alleghenies it seemed to divide, one part going up through Eastern Ohio and West Virginia, to carry destruction into Western Pennsylvania and New York, the other following near the Atlantic coast line, through Eastern Virginia, sweeping with terrific fury upon the capital of the nation, doing tremendous damage in that city, and even endeavoring on its way to wreck the White House, that historic residence of the President of the United States. Leaving Washington it rushed through Baltimore, on through eastern Pennsylvania and New York, to finally pass away in the North.

Meager reports continue to be received of cyclones in the South and Southwest.

At Lawrence, Miss., the cyclone center formed, passing over the same route as several years ago, which destroyed the towns Beauregard and Weston. One person was killed and several wounded, besides much damage.

From eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania reports, as yet meager, outline destruction in every direction, accurate reports of which can only be secured when the storm subsides.

The Associated Press made strenuous efforts to secure the distribution of dispatches, every wire to the West and Northwest, which seemed to promise an outlet, being eagerly seized upon. Some news, for instance, was handled south through Baltimore, reaching Chicago by way of Atlanta, Chattanooga, Memphis and St. Louis, thence being distributed from Chicago to such points west of Pittsburgh as happened to be fortunate enough to possess workable wires.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 24.—Reports of damage done by yesterday's storm are coming in from all directions.

In the Cumberland valley the damage done by the storm will reach many thousands of dollars.

The damage at Carlisle was not great, but in the surrounding country it was severe. The roof of the Graham school building was blown into a field and the teachers and a number of pupils injured.

The Sunnyside schoolhouse near Carlisle was blown down and a number of pupils injured, the teacher having her leg broken.

At Coulterville, a few miles above McKeesport, a farmer lad named Bailey, about fifteen years old, was crushed to death under a falling building.

At Hyndman, Pa., on the B. & O. railway, a mill and church were demolished by the wind, but, as far as learned, no one was hurt.

At Cumberland, Md., several roofs were lifted from houses and a number of people are reported injured.

Great damage was done at Braddock to manufacturing concerns.