

TWENTY-FIRST YEAR

DIRE RUIN

Wide Spread Destruction Lingers in the Wake of Thursday Night's Storm.

KILLED EDOS OF BUILDINGS DEMOLISHED

Great Swath Mowed Across Nebraska by the All Levelling Cyclone.

ITS FULL EXTENT NOT YET KNOWN

Nelson, Norfolk, Sutton, Beatrice, Wymore, Edgar and Other Towns Damaged.

TWO WOMEN WERE KILLED AT EDGAR

Erased and Mangled Beneath the Debris of Their Fallen Homes.

SNOW ADDS HORROR TO THE TORNADO

Great Drifts Blocked the Western and Central Part of the State.

OMAHA AND VICINITY GIVEN A TASTE

Much Minor Damage Inflicted During the Hurricane in the Metropolis.

PROSTRATED WIRES DELAY THE NEWS

Telegraph Lines Blown Down and Communication Cut Off—The Worst Storm Nebraska Ever Experienced—Details as Far as Known.

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In the storm's path.

In these counties, and perhaps in the track of the cyclone, are the towns of Edgar, Sutton, Grafton, Bradshaw (which was wiped out by a tornado two years ago), York, Stromberg, Osceola, Columbus, Madison, and many other villages.

From Clay Center comes the report that a cyclone passed through the center of Clay county between 6 and 7 o'clock last night.

It is reported that a number of houses were blown down and the depot, wrecked and two railway employes killed, but the report cannot be confirmed.

From Wahoo comes the news that a very heavy wind, but probably not a part of the cyclone, struck that place and swept through Saunders county about 8 o'clock last night.

Hundreds of visitors in the city—Two Farmers Reported Killed.

NELSON, Neb., April 1.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The cyclone is the only thing talked of in the village of Nelson today.

Beatrice, Neb., April 1.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The heaviest wind-storm known to this section for years began about midnight last night and has prevailed with greater or less severity all day.

Beatrice City Houses Wrecked.

platon were in their houses when wrecked. Fortunately none were hurt.

Almost every house in the north and west part of the town is more or less damaged.

The damages are \$100,000 or probably more. The loss was most complete.

Most of the sufferers will be able to get along without outside help.

The school house is wrecked and the school will close for the present.

The cyclone crossed the Kansas line at or near Beatrice, this county.

The tornado sweeps through the city with terrific force.

NORFOLK, Neb., April 1.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—A full grown cyclone struck Norfolk last night.

It commenced about 8:30 and lasted about three minutes.

The windmill, as far as can be seen from this neighborhood, has been blown down.

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ences, outbuildings and roofs. The roof of Hon. F. E. White's residence was blown off.

FATALITY AT EDGAR.

Mrs. Thomas Clark Killed and Her Residence Blown to Pieces.

EDGAR, Neb., April 1.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The storm passed from two to four miles south and east of here.

The house of Martin Ellritz was absolutely blown to atoms.

SOME MIRACULOUS ESCAPES.

Mills, Houses and Barns Near Sutton Destroyed, But No People Hurt.

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HOW OMAHA FARED.

Telegraph Wires Badly Damaged—A Church and Dwelling Wrecked—Incidents.

Yesterday's terrific wind storm brought terror and destruction with it.

The storm played havoc with both the telegraph lines of the Western Union and Postal companies.

Wrecked Telegraph Wires.

The storm covered a great extent of territory, and the local Western Union officials as yet don't know how serious their damage is.

A Church Badly Damaged.

The Seward Street Methodist Episcopal church, a venerable brick structure, was badly damaged at an early hour yesterday morning.

Blow a House Down at Benson.

Suburban residents northwest of the city were considerably agitated by the fierce winds.

Incidents of the Storm.

A funny incident of the storm occurred during the morning.

More Victims to the Storm's Fury.

At Strong City, Kan., the storm raged furiously.

South Haven Suffered Severely from the storm both in the way of material damage.

One of the plate glass windows in the Emerson Seed company's store in the Shelby block was blown in.

Council Bluffs Shaken Up.

The wind of yesterday morning was only a trifle less severe in Council Bluffs than that of a few days ago.

rounded by one and two-story frame and brick buildings, which were crushed to earth.

RAGED WITH FURY IN KANSAS.

Many Fatalities and Much Destruction Reported from That State and Missouri.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 1.—A tornado of mad destructiveness swept over Kansas last night.

Not a house or building was left standing in Toronto.

At Augusta three were killed outright and scores of houses were wrecked.

The following same storm touched at Kipra and Wellington.

The killed are: JAMES BAILEY, HERSCHEL CUPP, WILLIAM BARTLEY, DR. J. D. GIFFNEY, JOHN BLAKE and INFANT CHILD.

Among those seriously injured are: ALBERT BARKINS, WILLIAM BARKINS, WILLIAM RHODES, MRS. HARMON HOSKINS, MR. AND MRS. H. ABBOTT, J. H. POTTER and FOUR MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY.

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