

## SNOW STORM RECORDS SMASHED.

**Heaviest Fall in Years Visited Entire State—From Georgetown to Beaufort, Charleston to Piedmont.**

Snow storm records were broken in South Carolina Saturday, says the News and Courier. Beginning a short while before day, yesterday morning, every section of the State was visited by one of the heaviest falls in the recollection of the oldest inhabitants. In many places the ground was already covered with sleet and ice from the storm of last Sunday and Monday, and the fall yesterday only served to strengthen the grip of the Ice King. Sections that have not had snow in years were visited yesterday; even along the coast from Georgetown to Beaufort there was a heavy fall of the "feathery stuff."

It appears that the record of ten years at least is broken, and the whole State is suffering the coldest weather of many a season. Traffic has been interfered with seriously, the trains in nearly every section of the State running behind schedule, and other modes of transportation affected, in some instances entirely blocked. Many of the rural carriers were unable to make their rounds, street cars ran with difficulty, in some cities being entirely out of commission, not to mention the difficulty with which ~~towns and pedestrians~~ made their way in the snow and sleet.

From the following reports received by the News and Courier last night some idea of the extent and intensity of the storm may be formed:

### Capital Mantled in White.

Columbia, Jan. 13.—Columbia is covered with snow today. It was a surprise to most of the inhabitants when they awoke this morning and found the ground white. Sleet began to fall about 2 o'clock this morning, the sleet soon turned to snow, which has been steadily falling all day. By noon almost a foot of snow lay on the ground and there was no sign of any let up. The wind, blowing steadily from the southeast, shifted gradually towards the north, piling the snow in high drifts on the windward sides of building and fences. The younger generation amused themselves with snow battles all day. The snow interfered somewhat with the street cars, although they maintained an excellent condition considering the heavy fall. Pedestrians had to move rather slowly and those who could remained indoors all day.

### Six Inches at Orangeburg.

Orangeburg, Jan. 13.—What was perhaps the heaviest snow storm ever witnessed by any living inhabitant of Orangeburg, and the only one of any consequence in the last ten years, struck the city at about 7 o'clock this morning.

### Snow Stops Rural Carriers.

Mallory, Jan. 13.—There are no rural mails today, on account of the heaviest snow that ever fell here. Trains are running badly out of time.

### Twelve Inches at Union.

Union, Jan. 13.—Following a week of cold weather, snow fell here last night and this morning to a depth of nearly twelve inches. The ground was already covered with a sheet of ice and sleet.

### Beaufort Truck in Danger.

Beaufort, Jan. 13.—The thermometer here fell from 28 to 20 during the day, and continues to fall. The ground is covered with one inch of sleet and frozen, the worst weather in years. Truckers are covering lettuce and cabbage plants they had left, so if the crop is killed they will have some to plant over.

### Three Inches at Georgetown.

Georgetown, Jan. 13.—Georgetown is visited today by the biggest snow storm since February, 1899.

### Florence's Worst Blizzard.

Florence, Jan. 13.—Florence and this entire section of the State are in the strong grip of the Ice King, with the severest blizzard raging that has struck this section since the great blizzard of February 13, 1893. The

people awoke this morning to find the ground covered to a depth of two inches with snow and a regular northeast gale driving the flakes through space.

### Novelty to Bamberg Folks.

Bamberg, Jan. 13.—When the people of Bamberg awoke this morning the house tops were covered with snow and sleet and since then it has been coming down steadily, and at times heavily. The ground is covered to a depth of from three to four inches.

### Conditions Around Yorkville.

Yorkville, Jan. 13.—Snow and ice have covered the ground throughout this section during the past week, and the temperature has averaged lower than in ten or twelve years. Snow fell last night and today until it attained a depth of about six inches.

### Nine Inches at Sumter.

Sumter, Jan. 13.—Sumter people awoke this morning to find their city wrapped in a blanket of white. The snow began falling at 4.30 this morning and continued until 4.30 p. m. The snow is now more than nine inches deep and the fall is reported heavier than at any time since the big snow storm of 1895.

### Nine Inches at Darlington.

Darlington, Jan. 13.—The heaviest snow of which there is any authentic record has fallen here today, before daybreak this morning, and continuing throughout the day. Nine inches had fallen by dusk, according to the United States government record, kept by Mr. D. C. McCall.

### Three Inches at Chester.

Chester, January 13.—Chester is mantled in snow to a depth of about three inches. The temperature is slowly dropping and the outlook is for an extremely cold night.

### Deepest Since '93.

Rock Hill, Jan. 13.—After walking in muddy slush for a week, following the light snow of last Sunday, Rock Hillians awoke this morning to find a coat of "the beautiful snow" covering everything to a depth of several inches.

### Five Inches at Spartanburg.

Spartanburg, Jan. 13.—Spartanburg tonight is experiencing the coldest weather of the year. The ground was covered by five inches of snow last night, and before morning the thermometer will register six or eight above, it is predicted. There is much suffering among some of the poor.

### Four Inches at Laurens.

Laurens, Jan. 13.—The worst snow storm since February, 1894, has prevailed over this section since last night. The ground is covered to the depth of four inches.

### Great Fun in Barnwell.

Barnwell, Jan. 13.—As a climax to the protracted spell of inclement weather, Barnwell awoke this morning to find a blanket of snow. Snow and sleet has been falling all the morning, until now the ground is covered to a depth of from two to four inches, while drifts are a foot or more deep.

### Cold Wave Soon to Depart.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Relief from the intense cold which has prevailed in all sections of the country during the past few days is promised during the coming week.

"The general pressure distribution, as shown by the weather map of the Northern Hemisphere during the last several days," says a bulletin issued tonight by the weather bureau, "is such as to indicate a general reaction to normal temperature conditions over the eastern half of the country by the middle of the week, and to temperature above the seasonal average in western districts throughout the week.

"The week will be one of generally fair weather east of the Rocky Mountains, except that a short period of rains in Southern, and snow in Northern States, will attend a disturbance which will appear in the Northwest Tuesday, cross the Middle West Wed-