GRAND HAVEN, Michigan, 9th, 10th, 17th.
Marquette, Nebraska, 6th.
Seward, Nebraska, 26th.
Yutan, Nebraska, 30th.
Blackwell, North Carolina, 30th.
Galveston, Texas, 3d.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 21st, Racine Point, twenty-five miles south of station, being plainly visible.

MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA.

SUNSPOTS.

Prof. David P. Todd, director of the Lawrence Observatory, Amherst, Massachusetts, furnishes the following record of sun spots for June, 1886:

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Faculae were seen at the time of every observation. Approximate.

Prof. L. G. Carpenter, of the Michigan State Agricultural College, Lansing, reports sun-spots during June, as follows:

5th, 3 p.m., six groups, sixty-four spots; 6th, 4.15 p.m., six groups, forty-seven spots; 10th, 8.30 a.m., four groups, forty-four spots; 11th, 2.15 p.m., five groups, forty-six spots; 12th, 9.30 a.m., six groups, fifty-three spots; 16th, 2.30 p.m., nine groups, fifty-five spots; 17th, 4.00 p.m., nine groups, eighty-six spots; 18th, 4.50 p.m., seven groups, sixty-six spots; 19th, 3.30 p.m., five groups, forty-eight spots; 20th, 2.15 p.m., six groups, forty-two spots; 23rd, 1.45 p.m., seven groups, fifty-two spots; 26th, 2.45 p.m., eight groups, seventy-one spots; 30th, 3.00 p.m., eight groups, sixty-nine spots.

The following record of sun spots observed on board the American ship "Gatherer," which arrived at San Francisco, California, June 29th, has been received through Commander J. B. Bartlett, U. S. Navy of the Hydrographic Office:

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Mr. H. D. Gowey, of North Lewisburg, Champaign county, Ohio, reports having observed sun spots on the following dates: 1st, 2d, 3d, 6th, 9th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 22d, 23d, 24th, 26th, 27th, 29th, 30th.

DROUGHT.

Little Rock, Arkansas, 5th: the weather is very hot and dry; rain is much needed in this vicinity.

Escanaba, Michigan, 7th: farmers in the surrounding country report that the crops are suffering for rain. At Ford River, eight miles south of this station, no rain has fallen since May 26th.

Quakertown, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, 13th: vegetation is suffering in consequence of dry weather; it is estimated that the yield of grain will not exceed half of an average crop.

Maud, Kingman county, Kansas, 30th: the weather during the month was unusually dry; only 0.19 inch of rain fell from the 1st to 19th.

Fallston, Harford county, Maryland: between the 16th and 28th the weather was very dry and crops suffered for rain.

Somerset, Bristol county, Massachusetts: drought prevailed in this vicinity from the 8th to 28th.

Strafford, Orange county, Vermont, 30th: at the close of the month the severest drought was prevailing that has been experienced for eleven years.

New London, Connecticut: during the latter part of the month this region suffered much from drought; at the end of the month grass was burned to the roots and the crops promised but a poor yield.

Wilton Center, Will county, Illinois, 30th: a drought has prevailed in this county since April 17th; only about three inches of rain fell during the months of May and June.

Blooming Grove, Pike county, Pennsylvania: at the close of the month the soil was very dry and the oat crop suffering for rain.

Embarras, Wauconda county, Wisconsin, 30th: although frequent rains fell during the month in the surrounding country, in this immediate vicinity drought has prevailed.

EARTHQUAKES.

Cahuenga, Los Angeles county, California: at 3.15 a.m. on the 14th a sharp shock of earthquake, of three or four seconds duration, was felt here. The vibration was from east to west.

Los Angeles, California: at about 6.14 p.m. on the 14th an earthquake shock was felt in this city. It was of from two to three seconds duration, the oscillation being apparently from east to west. The shock was sufficient to awaken persons from sleep.

The San Francisco "Daily Alta Californian" of June 15th, contained the following:

SAN BUNA VENTURA, June 14th.—At a quarter past three this morning two shocks of earthquakes were felt in this town. They seemed to be from south to north, and lasted about twenty seconds. They were the sharpest shocks felt here for years.

The La Crosse (Wisconsin) "Daily Republican," of June 20th, contained the following:

LA.MOX, June 20th.—Severe shocks of earthquake were experienced this morning at Bern and Geneva, Switzerland. The extent or nature of the damage has not been reported.

Salinas, Monterey county, California: at about 8.30 p.m. on the 25th a slight shock of earthquake was felt here. The vibration was from north to south.

The following is from the "New York Journal of Commerce" of June 26th:

There were several slight shocks of earthquake felt yesterday (June 25) in Invernesshire, Scotland.

Olympia, Washington Territory: at 5.26 a.m. on the 27th a heavy shock of earthquake occurred at this place. It was accompanied by a rumbling noise. The vibration was from east to west.

The following reports have been received from the Signal Service observer at Unalaska, Alaska.

April 18th.—Quite a heavy shock of earthquake, lasting only a few seconds, occurred at 1.20 p.m.

April 29th.—A slight shock of earthquake occurred at 5.30 a.m.

FOREST AND PRAIRIE FIRES.

Manistique, Michigan, 1st: forest fires, twelve miles north-
west of station, began on May 28th, and burned over a tract of land; three miles wide by twelve miles long.

Pike's Peak, Colorado, 5th: forest fires on the north side of the peak, below the timber-line.

Escanaba, Michigan, 8th: forest fires to the east and north of station.

Mount Washington, New Hampshire, 19th: the air was filled with smoke from forest fires.

Prescott, Arizona, 23d.

**INSECTS.**

Sunman, Ripley county, Indiana: locusts appeared in this vicinity on the 1st.

Vevay, Switzerland county, Indiana, 2d: “the number of seventeen-year locusts is increasing to an alarming extent.”

Mount Carmel, Wabash county, Illinois, 6th: swarms of seventeen-year locusts made their appearance on this date; all trees were covered with them.

Guilford (near), Dearborn county, Indiana, 11th: seventeen-year locusts are causing damage to fruit trees.

Mered, Merced county, California, 5th: the orchards, vineyards, and gardens near the foot-hills of the Sierra Nevada and Coast mountain ranges have been completely destroyed by grasshoppers, and in some instances the barks have been eaten from the trees. Late wheat and barley have also suffered much damage.

Cow City, Fremont county, Colorado, 6th: myriads of young grasshoppers have made their appearance on the south side of the Arkansas river opposite this place.

Little Rock, Arkansas, 6th: reports from northwestern Arkansas state that locusts and grasshoppers have appeared in large numbers.

Chattanooga, Tennessee, 9th: large numbers of locusts have made their appearance on the ridges north of this city, and all kinds of growth are covered with them.

Albion, Edwards county, Illinois: young locusts, in large numbers, began to appear on the 8th at Missouri Point, opposite this place.

Gainesville, Cooke county, Texas, 10th: farmers from the surrounding county report that a species of web-worm has made its appearance in the cotton fields and is causing much damage.

Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, Michigan, 12th: the Hessian fly is causing great damage in this county; it is estimated that the wheat crop will be short about 40,000 bushels from this cause.

Princeton, New Jersey, 13th: the seventeen-year locusts have made their appearance in vast numbers here and in central New Jersey, the ground and trees in some localities being completely covered with them.

Elkhart, Elkhart county, Indiana, 13th: seventeen-year locusts have appeared in large numbers in the northwestern part of this county.

Flint, Genesee county, Michigan, 13th: seventeen-year locusts have made their appearance in this vicinity.

New London, Connecticut: potato bugs were first reported in this vicinity on the 13th; the potato crop has been slightly damaged.

Cleburne, Johnson county, Texas, 19th: in some parts of this county the cotton worm has caused great damage.

Cumberland, Maryland: the seventeen-year locusts, which were very numerous during the month, disappeared about the 30th.

Greencastle, Indiana: during the month the seventeen-year locusts appeared in great numbers. The first were observed emerging from the ground May 25th and the last seen June 15th. The first notes were heard May 30th, the greatest noise from June 10th to 13th, and at the close of the month but few were heard. The heavy rains of the 3d and 4th resulted in killing them in large numbers. Some kinds of trees were badly injured, but fruit trees sustained but slight damage.

**MEIOVERS.**

Denton, Denton county, Texas: about midnight of the 5-6th a very brilliant meteor passed over this city, moving from southwest to northwest. It was, apparently, as large or larger than the moon and was visible about thirty seconds. During its flight it changed in color from blue to crimson, and finally to an intense white, making it nearly as light as day. About eight or ten minutes after the disappearance of the meteor a low, roaring sound was heard.

Greeneville, Hunt county, Texas: a meteor passed over this place during the night of the 5-6th; it was accompanied by a roaring sound, and caused considerable alarm.

Pilot Point, Denton county, Texas: about midnight of the 5-6th; many persons in this vicinity were startled by the sudden appearance of a brilliant light. A few minutes later a loud, roaring sound was heard which caused buildings to shake.

The following are extracts from the "Galveston News" of June 6th:

**McKinney, June 6th:** Last night about midnight a remarkable meteor passed across the sky from northeast to southwest. The light was so bright that a pin could be seen on the ground, as in daytime. As the light faded out a very loud explosion, followed by a deep, low, rumbling sound, lasting several seconds, took place. It was witnessed and heard by several hundred people in McKinney who had just returned home from Professor Raymond’s school exhibition. Several reports that while the meteor was passing through the air there was a hissing sound. In size it was reported as varying from the size of a bell to that of a four foot barrel.

The light appeared to be of the order of a calcium light. It was seen and heard across the country.

**Sherman, June 6th:** A large meteor, moving in a southerly direction, passed over here last night. The whole city was illuminated during its passage, which was fully one-half a minute. A few minutes after its disappearance a loud explosion, similar to heavy artillery, was heard, accompanied with a shock, shaking dwellings and rooming the glass in the court-house. This was succeeded by a rumbling, as of distant thunder. Different parties who claim to have seen the celestial visitor estimate its apparent size from the size of a man’s head to the size of a cart-wheel. It was also noticed at McKinney, with the same effect.

**Dallas, June 6th:** A meteor passed over Dallas at 1 o’clock this morning, illuminating the entire city with the splendor of day.

**Huntsville, Walker county, Texas:** A very brilliant meteor was observed on the 6th; it started from near the North star and fell slowly toward the northwestern horizon.

**Chester, Olmstead county, Minnesota:** A very brilliant meteor was observed in the northeast at 9 p.m. on the 8th.

West Union, Fayette county, Iowa: at 9 p.m. on the 9th a bright meteor was observed, moving in a northerly direction nearly parallel with the horizon.

Cahuenga, Los Angeles county, California: at 1 a.m. on the 14th a very brilliant meteor was observed in the north-northwest; it fell perpendicularly from an altitude of 30° to within 10° of the horizon, where it exploded, leaving a smoke-like trail, which remained visible about one minute.

Davenport, Iowa: a bright meteor was seen at 8.30 p.m. on the 25th; it started near the southern horizon, moved slowly northward, and disappeared when near the zenith, leaving a bright trail.

**POLAR BANDS.**

Polar bands were reported during the month by the following stations:
Montrose, Colorado, 21st.
Wedsbird, Indiana, 24th.
Guttenberg, Iowa, 10th, 11th, 22d.
Mountainsville, New York, 1st, 25th.
Wasbou, Ohio, 2d, 10th.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 3d.
El Paso, Texas, 9th 12th.
Rio Grande City, Texas, 6th, 25th.
Wytheville, Virginia, 10th, 23d, 26th.
Dale Enterprise, Virginia, 10th, 39th.
Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, 26th.

**SAND STORMS.**
Fort Thomas, Arizona, 21st.
Wickenburg, Arizona, 4th.
Maricopa, Arizona, 24th.
Keeler, California, 10th.
Santa Fe, New Mexico, 5th.

**WATER-SPOUTS.**
The ship “Union,” H. Fokken, commanding, on June 4th, in N. 41° 18', W. 59° 31', saw a large water-spout.
The observer at Key West, Florida, reports that at 12.50 p. m. on the 1st a large water-spout was observed about four miles to the north-northwest of that station. It moved rapidly in a southwesterly direction for ten minutes and then broke. A second and smaller water-spout appeared in the north-northwest; it followed the course of the one first observed for two or three minutes and then broke. The s. s. “Grip Fast,” Captain Burgess, on June 29th, in N. 30° 9', W. 71° 33', saw two water-spouts, one about two miles to the northwest of the vessel and the other about three miles to the southward.

**ERRATUM.**
The following is an extract from the June, 1885, report of the “Minnesota Weather Service,” under direction of Prof. W. W. Payne, of Carleton College, Northfield:
The temperature for June in Minnesota has averaged slightly below the mean for the last twenty years, and the difference amounts to 2°.6, at Moorhead, —8°.5, at Saint Paul and —5°.8, at LaCross. Three well-marked cool terms occurred. The first of these cool waves began on the 7th, when there was a sudden and great fall in temperature at all stations, amounting in most cases to 8° and 9°. On the 8th greatest falls occurred, the temperature throughout the state, in some sections to the injury of vegetation, while in others not sufficiently high to do any harm. At Park Rapids a minimum temperature of 27.9° was noted on the 9th, cutting down all tender vegetation, which had been recovered, but Paul the temperature fell to 90°, the lowest, by 3°.0, for June on record. Cool weather prevailed on the 10th and 16th, and the 20th and 21st. The warmest days were the 1st, 11th, 13th, 14th, 19th, 20th, 26th and 27th. The maximum temperatures of the monthly average was only 74°.3, 93°.1 and 90°; the lowest on minimum being 84°.3, on the 18th, at Saint Vincent and highest 94°.0, on the 20th, at Sherburne, Martin county.

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The precipitation was below the normal, but the rainfall was quite evenly distributed throughout the month, and vegetation has not suffered from the lack of moisture. Heavy dews were quite frequent, and the deficiency in rainfall was thus counterbalanced.

**Summary.**
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Mobile reports that the greatest velocity of wind was 82 miles per hour, from the northeast; Chattanooga, 22 miles, from the northwest; Montgomery, 23 miles, from the northwest; Tuscaloosa, 20 miles, from the southeast.
Thunder-storms were general on the 9th, 13th, 19th, 22d, 24th, 27th, 28th.

Thunder and hail storms were frequent and destructive during the month. On the 2d, 3d and 7th great damage was caused in the southern part of the state by hail. At Spring Valley much damage was done to crops and buildings by the severe hail and wind storm of the 7th, which had many of the features of a tornado.

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