

FRESHET CARRIES AWAY BRIDGES

LAURENS COUNTY SUSTAINS CONSIDERABLE LOSS.

SEVEREST FLOOD SINCE 1908

Practically a Full List of Bridges Destroyed or Damaged on Different Streams.

The heavy rain which fell on the night of the 14th and the following morning caused the streams to rise higher than for a number of years with the exception of the August freshet in 1908. Considerable loss has been sustained by the county in the damaging and washing away of a number of bridges. At present, an estimate of the loss, if conservatively made, would probably be \$20,000.

On Saluda River, a comparatively new steel bridge was washed away at Maddox and the one at Irvin's Mill is damaged.

On Reedy River, the bridges at Ivey Bluff and the one near Mount Olive are gone and the Fish Dam and Tumbling Shoals bridges have been somewhat damaged.

On Rabun Creek, the bridges at Anderson Mill, McPherson, McDaniel's Mill, Goodgion, Mahaffey, and Abercrombie are all reported gone.

A small bridge on Dirty Creek also at McDaniel's Mill was washed away. This, however, has already been rebuilt by Messrs. Chesterfield and Evans McDaniel.

On Warrior Creek, the bridge near Lanford and the one at Byrd's Mill are gone, and is also the one at Lanford's Mill on Beaverdam Creek.

One bridge on Duncan's Creek was washed away and another at Durbin Creek at Leonard's Ford.

It is reported that, on Enoree River, the Allen, Woodruff, Harris, and Musgrove bridges are all gone and also the old mill house at Musgrove. A report has also reached here to the effect that the Jones bridge on the same river is badly damaged and a considerable part of it washed away. Other damages to bridges on the Enoree have been to the Cooper, Kilgore, and Yarborough bridges.

Quite a number of smaller bridges were washed away, while others were more or less damaged.

The Power House at Boyd's Mill was damaged to the extent of forcing it out of business for a few days. The managers hope to be able to serve the public in about a week.

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