



# Flash Floods Cause Devastation

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May 29th 1920 began as did every other day, the weather forecast was for a bright and breezy outcome with the possibility of sunshine. The afternoon however, brought solid rain bringing around five inches of waterfall to the area. The wind was bringing rain in from

the Wolds at a rate of 35mph causing flash floods in the town. Areas fell victim to up to fifteen feet of water, causing mud and debris to find its way onto the streets of Louth. The torrent that arose caused buildings to collapse and lives to be lost, claiming twenty-three in all.

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