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The Midnight Storm

At 12 o'clock last night an unusual rainstorm set in, falling with a very heavy volume directly over Deadwood. It was accomplished with sharp, quick lightening and rolls of deep-toned thunder. The water fell in such quantities that hillsides and small elevations of land were washed into the gulches. The greater part of the principal roads extending from Deadwood were remodeled with a layer of float dirt to about a foot in thickness. The garden patches in many localities were completely obliterated, and cabins in the low lands were flooded, and many of the occupants were obliged to find quarters elsewhere. It was the biggest storm yet chronicled in the Hills.