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An excerpt

On Thursday noon rain commenced falling, and continued steadily until about 1 o'clock on Friday, making a rainfall of 24 hours without intermission. People went to bed Thursday night without any alarm or much thought of danger, but on Friday morning were horrified to see the lower part of town, adjacent to the creek, in the grasp of a raging torrent of water ... (Note: remainder of article is not included, but goes on to provide various accounts of the flooding.)