

Scotland.. Flood Devastation-

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Scotland-- Bulldozers at work clearing mud and rubble from the squelching streets bear grim testimony to the havoc of the 72 hour rainstorm, which struck ^{districts} North of the Border- and parts of Northern England.

At Newmilns, Ayrshire, tell-tale marks on houses, which bore the first ~~shocks~~ shocks of the avalanche of ^{WATER} ~~rain~~, record the height reached by the swirling ~~water~~ ^{FLOODS. ONE} car was actually hurled into a garden- 100 yards away.

~~And~~ Tarmac- 2 feet thick- was ripped open by the uprush of an underground stream, after Scotland's worst rainstorm in living memory.

Now an aerial view of the island of Haiti in the Caribbean. Here the death toll ~~ran~~ into three figures in the wake of "Hurricane Hazel", the ^{great} ~~deadly~~ tropical storm that went on to lash the Eastern Seaboard of North America. (.)

The hurricane (the eighth and worst of the season) then swept ~~northwestwards~~ north-westwards through Toronto- Canada's second largest city- which bore the full brunt of the lashing wind and rain.

Rivers broke their banks over a wide area, while many trapped householders ^{were rescued from roof - R.A.S.} ~~braved heart-breaking roof-top rescues.~~

~~The~~ The rich fruits of the land (which had just been harvested)- were ~~cut off~~ the rampaging waters, before they could reach market.

"Hurricane Hazel" finally blew itself out in Hudson Bay, ~~leaving~~ ^{leaving} behind over 3000 miles of death and destruction- a ~~costly~~ ^{deadly} and ~~costly~~ visitor.