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Flood Devastation in Italy -

Oct 30th. '53.

After days of continuous torrential rain, hundreds of square miles of Calabria, in the toe of Italy, lie submerged beneath swollen torrents- leaving a pitiful aftermath of mud and destruction.

The death roll is heavy, and thousands are homeless.

But relief measures were rushed to the district, which is, unhappily, one of the ~~poorest~~ poorest in Italy, yielding small return for hard work on the land.

Tragic, indeed, that Nature should have struck Calabria a second cruel blow- for two years ago, a similar catastrophe caused tremendous damage, and the loss of over 100 lives.