

FLOODING IN DEDHAM

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DEDHAM. Heavy Floods. The continuous rains have caused the brooks to overflow. About 7.30p.m. Tuesday a dam burst, with the result that a large volume of water was discharged into Brook Street. The low-lying cottages, occupied by Mssrs Blyth, Summerson, Dent, and Mrs. May were immediately flooded, in some cases to depth of two feet, causing furniture, etc, to float about, and doing much damage. It is 30 years since such an occurrence has happened here. The new Grammar School opposite was also flooded to a depth of several inches. The Stour has also overflowed the meadows very considerably.

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FLOODS IN THE STOUR VALLEY - PIGS DROWNED AT DEDHAM. As a result of the heavy fall of snow of last week, followed by rapid thaw and the many hours' rainfall during Monday night, the brooks in the Dedham locality have become swirling torrents, flooding the meadows on each side, The thoroughfare leading from Crown Street, via Southfields and The Drift, is quite impassable to pedestrians. whilst Brook Street is covered with water. On Tuesday morning it was found that 21 young pigs, belonging to Mr. Saunders, had been drowned in the barn in the meadow opposite Hallfields, and it was only in the nick of time that two sows were rescued.