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Kingsbridge Gazette

**In many houses the water rose to a depth of over two feet...**

Tides were high in the early part of the week following the full moon but in the main the flooding has been caused by the continuous heavy rains...**

South Devon Gazette

**A part of Fore St, Salcombe, was flooded on Tuesday last, and the tide then was stated to have been the highest known for many years. The wall at North Sands has been weakened by the heavy seas...**

South Devon Gazette

**The high tides combined with strong winds caused foam to be blown over the seafront...**

Seaton, by Ted Gosling pg78

**The late gale...considerable damage at North Sands, having washed down most of the sea-wall; and in Salcombe streets the water was so high that Mr J Vivian went from Chapel End to Moore's Quay in a boat...**

South Hams new date text

**Considerable flooding...**

Kingsbridge Gazette

**...and several houses were later reported to be filled with water...**

Hannaford, grocer...Miss Lidstone, grocer, of Duke St and Messrs Fox...on Dodbrooke Quay...on Sunday and Monday boats...**

Cookworthy

**...the rough weather on Saturday had considerably damaged the beach and road...**

Kingsbridge Gazette

**...the presented a magnificent spectacle. The...**

Cookworthy

**The gale...caused considerable damage...**

Met Office Library

**...the sea made a clear breach, considerably damaged the beach and road...**

Symons's Monthly Meteorological Magazine V4 1869

**Dawlish. '...the sea made a clear breach, considerably damaged the beach and road...**

Monthly Meteorological Magazine V22 1887

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**Sidmouth**

- **Sidmouth Beach**
  - *Great Gale of 22nd November, 1824*
  - "...the sea front suffered greatly, not a building was intact..."  
  - Additional info: "...the ground floor rooms of houses were full of shingle too, there was not a window intact and many doors were broken down."

- **Salcombe Cliff**
  - *1890?*
  - "...the sea...rising above the Esplanade wall, flooding the roadway, and finding its way into the adjoining houses..."  
  - Additional info: "...the seats...were laid bare to their foundations."

- **Duchess of Devonshire aground on Sidmouth Beach**
  - *1934*
  - "...the Library, burst open the doors under the verandah, stove in the doors and 2 windows next to Ford Field, every wave rolling through the billiard room the front of which was entirely dashed in."

- **1890? Sidmouth from Salcombe Hill**
  - "...the cottages together with Chit Rock were swept away by the Great Storm 1824..."  
  - Additional info: "...the sea...rising above the Esplanade wall, flooding the roadway, and finding its way into the adjoining houses..."
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Sidmouth. Wind and rain: "The sea was very boisterous...Gigantic waves beat upon the shingle with tremendous force..."

Sidmouth Observer
Nov 14, 1894 (Wed)

Violent storm - great damage

Sidmouth Library via Sidmouth Museum

East Devon

P2-216 13 11 1894 11/13/1894

Sidmouth. Mainly wind and rain: "...the sea was a seething mass of foam, and great waves broke on to the Esplanade..."

Sidmouth Observer
Feb 15, 1899 (Wed)

Stormy weather

Sidmouth Library via Sidmouth Museum

East Devon

P2-217 12 2 1899 2/12/1899

Sidmouth. '...an unusually high tide...rose to a considerable height the waves breaking over the other with tremendous...right over the houses at Clifton Place and over the cliffs along to Sea View and eastward similar scenes were witnessed...

Sidmouth Herald
Jan 19, 1918 (Sat)

Stormy weather

Sidmouth Library via Sidmouth Museum

East Devon

P2-218 18 1 1918 1/18/1918

Sidmouth. Image of a small boat in front of the cinema

Sidmouth of yesteryear by Chips Barker 2001 p.32

East Devon

P2-220 4 12 1929 12/4/1929

Sidmouth. '...a lot of water came in over the walk at high tides on Wednesday...Thursday morning the flooding...the front and roadway, and windows were broken at Bat?? House and other houses by the stones thrown up by the waves...'

Sidmouth Herald
Dec 24, 1927 (Sat)

Sea flooding

Sidmouth Library via Sidmouth Museum

East Devon

P2-221 23 11 1824 11/23/1824

Sidmouth. '...a storm of such violence occurred that the family of Bolt, occupying one of the cottages on the shore, had...in the same storm the Chit rock stumbled and fell...

A story of Sidmouth by Anna Sutton. 1973 p.38 & 39

Sidmouth Library via Sidmouth Museum

East Devon

P2-222 1924 1924

Sidmouth. Image of a flooded street with a car

Sidmouth of yesteryear by Chips Barker 2001 p.32

East Devon

P2-223 1960 1960

Sidmouth. Image of a train with flooded fields on either side

Railway Studies Collection, Newton Abbot

East Devon

P2-224 1924 1924
...Broad Street, Quay and adjacent property the tide has encroached and swamped dwelling houses, and doing an extraordinary amount of damage...the sea came up the sewer pipes and flooded cellars with water from at least 30 feet deep. The intestine muscles of the earth, on which were the little hamlets, were broken through, breaking the ground and carrying away the houses. The sea came up to the first floor of houses, and 100 feet of this has been washed away. This allowed the sea to force its way under the walls of the houses.

North Devon Chronicle & North Devon News

Ilfracombe Museum

P2-253
7 10 1896 7/10/1896

additional info

Ilfracombe Museum

P2-254
16 12 1910 16/12/1910 Ilfracombe. image after the flood

additional info

North Devon Museum

P2-257
16 12 1910 16/12/1910 Ilfracombe. image after the flood

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P2-258
16 12 1910 16/12/1910 Ilfracombe. image after the flood

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North Devon Museum

P2-259
7 10 1896 7/10/1896 Ilfracombe. '... A tremendous tidal wave swept over the Capstone Parade, and the Ropery Meadow, breaking upon the Capstone Parade at a height of 20 feet...'

North Devon Journal

Barnstable Public Library

P2-260
Feb 28, 1833 (thurs) b 5.290a,b

North Devon Journal

Bude. An inundated town

additional info

North Devon Museum

P2-261
Nov 18, 1875 (Thurs) Bude b 5.291

North Devon Journal

A disastrous tidal wave

additional info

Barnstable Public Library

P2-262
Nov 18, 1875 (Thurs) Bridgwater b 5.292

North Devon Journal

...the morning tide reached the height of eighteen feet...an immense tidal wave, estimated at from eight to ten feet, was driven up the beach, submerging the whole town, and forming a new channel in the stream...

additional info

Barnstable Public Library

P2-263
13 11 1875 13/11/1875 Torridge

North Devon Journal

Braunton. The flood

additional info

North Devon Museum

P2-264
13 11 1875 13/11/1875

North Devon Journal

Lynmouth. The floods

additional info

North Devon Museum

P2-266
13 11 1875 13/11/1875

North Devon Journal

South Molton. The floods

additional info

North Devon Museum

P2-269
7 10 1896 7/10/1896

additional info

North Devon Journal

Terrible gale in North Devon. Great damage at Barnstable

additional info

Barnstable Public Library

P2-270
Mar 4, 1897 (thurs) Barnstable b 5.299a,b,c

North Devon Journal

Instow. '...a large portion of the sea wall...was washed away' Also includes details of storms and rain at Braunton and South Molton

additional info

North Devon Museum

P2-271
2 3 1897 2/3/1897

North Devon Journal

Fremington

additional info

North Devon Museum

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### Notes
- Exmouth: Building of Exmouth sea wall.
- Lynmouth: Footage of waves going over the lock gates, councils garages have been smashed and the headquarters of the local Red Cross been wrecked.
- Bude: Footage of the inner lock gates severely damaged.
| Date       | District | Action
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| 19/01/1982 | North Devon | Footage of damage to houses on the coast, houses coming over concrete walls.
| 11/01/1979 | South Hams | Footage of damage to a sea wall. Another bit of footage of water running past some houses with people inside bailing water out.
| 18/12/1989 | East Devon | Floods in Cornwall, very fuzzy tape so could not make out very much although looked to be inland Cornwall.
| 20/12/1989 | East Devon | Footage of damage done by the sea. Other footage of damage to sea walls and houses. People cleaning up as much of their property and belongings as they can.
| 30/11/1992 | East Devon | Footage of damage and flooding in houses. Other footage of damage to sea walls and houses. People cleaning up as much of their property and belongings as they can.
| 18/12/1989 | East Devon | Footage of damage and flooding in houses. Other footage of damage to sea walls and houses. People cleaning up as much of their property and belongings as they can.