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**HUNDREDS OF PERSONS PERISH IN FLOOD THAT SWEEPS  
VALLEY IN WEST VIRGINIA, DESTROYING A HALF-DOZEN  
MINING TOWNS WITH PROPERTY VALUED AT MILLIONS**

**AWFUL RECORD OF THE WEST VIRGINIA DISASTER IN LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY.**

**A** N APPALLING disaster, rivaling the Johnstown flood, has visited the Elkhorn Valley in West Virginia. Precipitated by a cloudburst a torrent of water swept down through a narrow vale between two mountain ranges, destroying in whole or in part the towns of Keystone, Vivian,