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Variability of rain! Anyone believing in weather cycles would be kept busy studying a long rainfall record trying to see cycles in it. For instance, the 100-year record of Washington, D.C., shows that the greatest yearly amount, 61.33 inches in 1889, is about 3.2 times the least yearly amount, 18.79 inches in 1826. The wettest month, 10.94 inches in June, 1900, is 219 times the driest, .05 inch in November, 1828. The heaviest monthly rainfall did not occur in the wettest year, neither did the lightest occur in the driest. The wettest month on the average is July but the heaviest monthly rainfall occurred in a June. The driest month on the average is November, in which month the lightest monthly amount did occur.-----