New Zealand Rainfall for January, 1914-continued.

|                         |            |   | Observer.                               |                       | Total Fall,<br>Points<br>(100 to Inch). | Days with<br>Rain. | Maximum Fall, and<br>Date.              |                     |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|------------|---|---|-----------------------|---|--------------------|---|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| SOUTH ISLAND-continued. |            |   |   |                       |   |                    |   |                     |  |  |  |  |
|                         | (H.)       | South As                                | рест—С                                  | APE SAUNDERS TO PUYSE | EGUR :                                  | Point—conti        | inued.                                  |                     |  |  |  |  |
| St. Bathan's            |            | • • •                                   | ••                                      | R. W. Noake           |   | 390                | 5                                       | 103 on 13th         |  |  |  |  |
| Clyde                   | • •        | ••                                      | • •                                     | J. S. Dickie          | • •                                     | 313                | 9                                       | 120 on 6th          |  |  |  |  |
| Roxburgh                | • •        | ••                                      | • •                                     | Dr. J. R. Gilmour     | ••                                      | ••                 | • | ••                  |  |  |  |  |
| Balclutha               | ••         | • •                                     |   | H. W. Kiernan         |   |                    |   |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Owaka                   | ••         | ••                                      |   | W. Allan              |   | 206                | 13                                      | 35 on 31st          |  |  |  |  |
| Fapanui Nursery         |            |   |   | R. G. Robinson        |   | 323                | 19                                      | 74 on 13th          |  |  |  |  |
| Waikawa Valley          | ••         |   |   | J. H. Buckingham      |   | 417                | 15                                      | 74 on 4th           |  |  |  |  |
| Uplands, Waimahaka      |            |   |   | Miss E. Middleton     |   | 429                | 21                                      | 60 on 6th           |  |  |  |  |
| Roslin Estate, Woodl    |            | •••                                     |   | J. D. Trotter         | •••                                     | -468               | 18                                      | 118 on 13th         |  |  |  |  |
| Hamilton Burn, Mos      |            | •••                                     | • | W. Menlove            |   |                    |   | 110 011 10011       |  |  |  |  |
| Dipton                  |            | • | • | Miss H. E. MacLachle  |   | 356                | 8                                       | 106 on 13th         |  |  |  |  |
| Bluff                   |            | ••                                      | • | E. F. Nichol          |   | 447                | 21                                      | 72 on 26th          |  |  |  |  |
| Nightcaps               | ••         |   |   | James Ritchie         | ••                                      | 353                | 11                                      | 144 on 13th         |  |  |  |  |
| Rannock, Orawia         | ••         | ••                                      | ••                                      | Wm. Lambie            | ••                                      | 321                | 10                                      | 78 on 26th          |  |  |  |  |
| Riverton                | ••         | ••                                      | ••                                      | J. M. Geary           | ••                                      | 448                | 12                                      | 85 on 13th          |  |  |  |  |
| Manapouri               | • •        | ••                                      | ••                                      | R. Murrell            |   | 584                | 15                                      | 146 on 26th         |  |  |  |  |
|                         |            |   |   | (I.) ISLANDS.         |   |                    |   |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Centre Island           | ••         |   |   | Lightkeeper           |   |                    | 1                                       |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Stewart Island          | ••         | ••                                      |   | W. Traill             |   | 562                | 19                                      | 114 on 6th          |  |  |  |  |
| Port Pegasus            |            | ••                                      |   | J. M. Eadie           |   | 811                | 27                                      | 83 on 14th          |  |  |  |  |
| Niue Island             |            | ••                                      | ••                                      | H. Cornwall           |   |                    |   |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Avarua, Rarotonga,      | Cook Islan |   |   | H. M. Connal          |   | ••                 |   |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Aitutaki Island, Cook   |            |   | .,                                      | Thos. Duncan          |   | 1034               | 5                                       | 900 on 9th          |  |  |  |  |
| Mangaia, Cook Island    |            |   | • • •                                   | P. Cameron            |   | 506                | 12                                      | 335 on 10th         |  |  |  |  |
| Chatham Islands         |            | ••                                      | • | F. A. D. Cox          | • • •                                   | 159                | 11                                      | 80 on 31st          |  |  |  |  |
| Charlen Islands         | ••         | ••                                      | ••                                      | ,                     | •••                                     | 100                | ,                                       | 00 01 0150          |  |  |  |  |
|                         |            |   |   | LATE RETURNS.         |   |                    |   |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Waiuku, for October,    | 1913       |   | ٠.,                                     | D. Makg ll            |   | 487                | 19                                      | 124 on 7th          |  |  |  |  |
| " for Decembe           | er, 1913   |   |   |                       |   | 396                | 22                                      | 64 on 13th          |  |  |  |  |
| Kawhia, for December    |            | ••                                      |   | J. Newton             |   | 479                | 19                                      | 82 on 9th           |  |  |  |  |
| Halcombe, "             | ,          |   | • •                                     | L. A. MacDonald       |   | 724                | 15                                      | 164 on 16th         |  |  |  |  |
| Eastwoodhill, "         | ,,         |   |   | W. Douglas Cock       |   | 172                | 11                                      | 57 on 10th          |  |  |  |  |
| Waipukurau. "           |            |   |   | F. B. Curd            |   | 355                | 9                                       | 75 on 10th and 15th |  |  |  |  |
| Dannevirke, "           | "          |   |   | Geo. Harvey           |   | 527                | 20                                      | 77 on 16th          |  |  |  |  |
| Puysegur Point, "       | "          |   | • • •                                   | Lightkeeper           |   | 497                | 17                                      | 94 on 18th          |  |  |  |  |
|                         |            |   |   | 1 — 0                 | 1                                       |                    |   |                     |  |  |  |  |

|                                  | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | April. | May. | June. | July. | Aug. | Sept. | Oct.         | Nov. | Dec. | Averages. |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|--------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|--------------|------|------|-----------|
| North Island-                    |      | 1    |      |        |      |       | !     |      |       |              |      |      | Annual.   |
| Mean temperature                 | 63.5 | 63.4 | 62.2 | 57.5   | 52.5 | 49.3  | 48.2  | 49.9 | 52.0  | 54.9         | 58.0 | 61.1 | 56.0° F   |
| Rainfall, in points (100 = 1in.  | 338  | 294  | 472  | 393    | 472  | 433   | 567   | 423  | 414   | 434          | 367  | 362  | 49.69in.  |
| Days with rain                   | 10.0 | 8.3  | 11.7 | 13.0   | 14.4 | 15.5  | 17.2  | 14.4 | 16.0  | 15.6         | 13.9 | 12.0 | 162 days  |
| South Island-                    | 1    |      |      |        |      |       |       |      |       |              |      |      |           |
| Mean temperature                 | 59.7 | 60.0 | 58.2 | 52.8   | 47.9 | 44.1  | 42.5  | 44.6 | 48.9  | $52 \cdot 2$ | 55.2 | 58.3 | 52.0° F.  |
| Rainfall, in points (100 = 1 in. |      | 253  | 400  | 341    | 338  | 439   | 424   | 345  | 424   | 421          | 338  | 408  | 45.15 in. |
| Days with rain                   | 19.7 | 8.1  | 12.5 | 12.2   | 11.9 | 13.9  | 13.9  | 13.1 | 15.2  | 15.1         | 14.1 | 13.9 | 157 days  |

Notice to Mariners No. 17 of 1914.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 23rd February, 1914.

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and Hydrographic Office, Washington, United States, America,
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## GEORGE ALLPORT,

Secretary.

## BRITISH ISLANDS.

Caution with regard to Sweeping Operations.

Caution.—H.M. vessels are frequently engaged in sweeping operations off ports in the United Kingdom.

Whilst so engaged they work in pairs, connected by a wire hawser, and are consequently hampered to a very consider-

able extent in their manceuvring powers.

With a view to indicating the nature of the work on which these vessels are engaged, they will show the following signals: A black ball at the foremast-head, and a similar ball at the yardarm, or where it can be best seen, on that side on which it is dangerous for vessels to pass.

For mutual safety, other vessels, whether steamers or sailing craft, should endeavour, without violating the rule of the road, to keep out of the way of vessels flying this signal, and should especially remember that it is dangerous to pass between the vessels of a pair.

BAY OF BENGAL, BURMA.-MERGUI ARCHIPELAGO.

Courts Island, Rock South-westward of.

Position.—At a distance of 51 miles, 240° (S. 59° W. Mag.), from the 1,180-foot summit of Courts Island. Lat. 11° 55′

from the 1,180-100t summit of Courts Island. Lat. 11° 55′ 15″ N., long. 97° 53′ 30″ E., on chart No. 216a.

Depths.—Dries 6 ft. at low water.

Remarks.—This rock has been named "Lunka Rock."

Note.—The note "Breakers reported (1913), Position approximate," shown on the charts about one mile eastward from the above position, has been erased.

Variation.—1° E.

## BAY OF BENGAL.—BURMA.

North Terrible Rock.—Beacon destroyed.

Position.—Lat. 19° 26½′ N., long. 93° 18½′ E.
Description.—A white pyramidal beacon with red topmark.
Remarks.—This beacon has been erased from the charts.