

ON THE LOWER SLOPES OF RUAPERU, THE MAJESTIC SENTINEL OF THE NORTH ISLAND, RISING 9,000 FEET HIGH.



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ON THE EASTERN SUMMIT OF RUAPEHU AFTER A SNOW STORM, THE SCORIA RIDGES BEING COVERED WITH ICICLES.

UP RUAPEHU IN A SNOWSTORM—A BITTER SUMMER IN THE DOMINION'S NATIONAL PARK.

This summer was exceptionally severe on the high plateau in the middle of the Island, and people making the ascent report gales and frequent snow falls. The snow has been unusually low right through the season.