

District.

- 11, 12. Precipitation was only about half the average for April, there being an absence of heavy rains except on the higher country on the 14th. Electrical conditions prevailed in parts about this date, and strong winds. The month as a whole was fair, with a large amount of sunshine. Frosts were frequent in the first half of the month.
13. Very little rain fell in this district, the total being about 50 per cent. below the mean. Fine, bright days and cold nights with frosts were the rule.
14. Very heavy rain fell on the 13th, which brought the total up to more than the average generally. Several periods of unsettled and wet weather prevailed, but fair conditions predominated.
15. On the 30th, and about the middle of the month, cold and unsettled conditions were experienced, and snow fell on the high levels. The remainder of the month was fine, with bright days and cold but sometimes foggy nights. Precipitation was usually about the normal.
16. The rainfall was slightly above the average owing to a heavy fall on the 13th. Snow also fell at this time, and also on the 16th. A considerable amount of dull weather was experienced with much mist and fog, but otherwise conditions were not unfavourable.
17. The northern portion of this district had considerably less than the average rainfall for the month, but elsewhere a slight excess was recorded. Heavy rain fell on the 13th and 30th, but between the 15th and 30th fine weather prevailed. The early portion of the month was cold and at times unsettled. Frosts occurred on several occasions.
18. About the average or a slight excess was reported. Weather-conditions similar to district 18.
19. A fine month, with three short periods of unsettled conditions. A strong north-wester veering to south-west gale brought heavy rain on the night of the 13th. Rainfall 25 per cent. less than the average. Some sharp frosts were experienced.
20. Heavy rain on the 13th and 30th accounted for a slight excess of the average rainfall. Snow fell on the higher levels on the 30th. Fine weather predominated during the month.
21. During the greater part of the month fair weather prevailed, and about 50 per cent. less rain than the average was recorded. Squally conditions prevailed on the 13th.
- 22, 23. About the average rain fell in this district, the only remarkable fall occurring on the 30th. Weather similar to that experienced in districts 22 and 23.
24. Changeable and showery conditions ruled generally from the 1st to the 17th, heavy rain and sleet falling on the 13th. The rest of the month was fair except the last two days. Precipitation was above the average by from 20 to 40 per cent.

STOCK IN QUARANTINE.

THE following stock was received into quarantine during the month of April:—

No.	Breed.	Sex.	Port of Origin.	Owner or Agent.	Address.
MOTUIHI ISLAND (AUCKLAND).					
2	Jersey ..	Heifers ..	London ..	C. Day ..	Tamahere, Wai-kato.
SOMES ISLAND (WELLINGTON).					
2	Shorthorn ..	Bulls ..	Sydney ..	Dalziel Bros. ..	Hunterville.
QUAIL ISLAND (LYTTELTON).					
1	Collie dog ..	Male ..	London ..	James Lilico ..	Lochiel.
1	Red polled calf	Bull ..	Melbourne ..	R. H. Rhodes ..	Tai Tapu.
1	Shorthorn ..	" ..	London ..	W. B. Cunningham	Brookside.