

Monthly Table of Same Notifications.

	Enteric Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Tubercu- losis.	Blood- poisoning.	Plague.	Total.
1907.							
April	25	35	30	9	1	..	100
May	24	31	25	8	7	2	97
June	14	14	24	13	4	..	69
July	8	28	16	6	7	..	65
August	4	26	11	11	5	..	57
September	23	22	11	19	11	..	86
October	7	19	9	39	7	..	81
November	12	24	5	24	8	..	73
December	22	10	4	21	6	..	63
1908.							
January	58	9	6	15	5	..	93
February	77	36	9	21	6	..	149
March	79	23	15	12	9	..	138
Total	353	277	165	198	76	2	1,071

Rainfall and Temperature, 1907-8.

	Rainfall.		Temperature.	
	1907-8.	Average of Previous Years.	1907-8.	Average of Previous Years.
1907.	In.	In.	Deg.	Deg.
April	2.94	3.15	63.3	61.5
May	3.97	4.21	55.5	57.2
June	3.61	4.83	52.4	53.9
July	6.33	4.86	51.1	52.0
August	6.44	4.22	52.3	52.4
September	5.42	3.39	53.4	54.8
October	5.02	3.35	56.7	57.0
November	1.09	3.23	62.6	60.4
December	5.15½	2.64	66.7	62.4
1908.				
January	0.45	2.69	67.4½	67.1
February	0.54	3.52	67.5½	67.4
March ¾	8.12	2.51	65.5	64.3
	49.08	42.60	59.5	59.2

Aspersions have been made on the climate of Auckland as to "hot and muggy weather." Observations do not bear this out. After residing a year in Auckland I have come to the conclusion that the climate is excellent. The appearance of the school-children as illustrated by, for example, the boys of King's College in their hygienic costume, or by a visit to the school-cadet camp certainly negatives a contrary opinion. The fact that in athletics the young men and women of this district not only hold their own, but are at present ahead of any other part of the Dominion, is also confirmatory evidence. When medical inspection of schools becomes general I think that the anthropometric measurements of the children of the northern half of the North Island will compare with those of any other portion of the Empire.

Enteric Fever.

The notifications of cases of enteric fever recorded throughout the health district for the past five years have been—1903-4, 231; 1904-5, 180; 1905-6, 172; 1906-7, 153; 1907-8, 353.

The increase during the year, compared with the numbers of the previous year, is distributed as follows:—

	1906-7.	1907-8.	Increase.
Auckland City	27	88	61
Suburban boroughs	13	59	46
Suburban road districts	18	47	29
Country districts	93	148	55
Hospitals and shipping	2	11	9
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