WAR DEPARTMENT WEATHER MAP.

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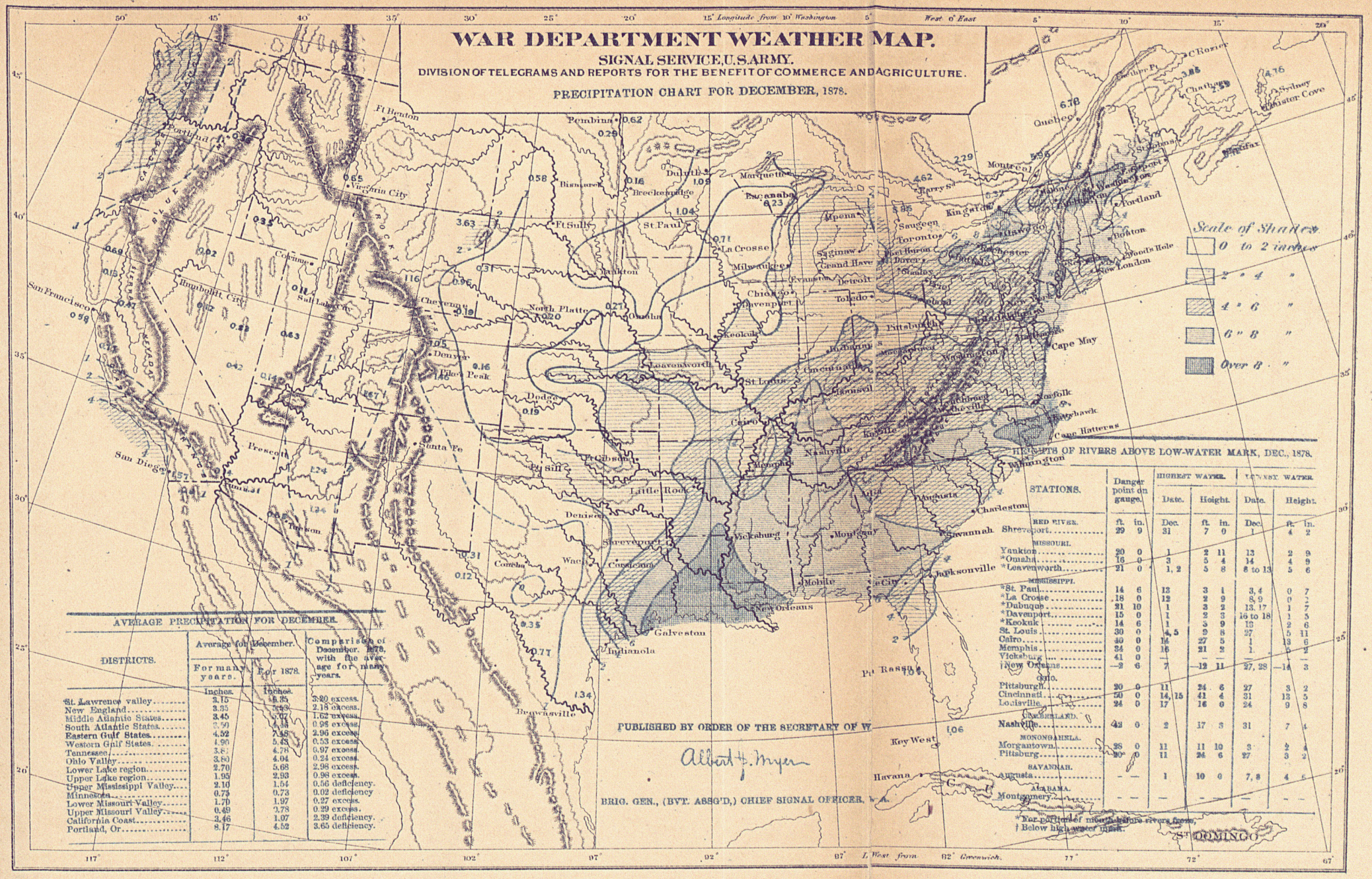
PRECIPITATION CHART FOR DECEMBER, 1878.



AVERAGE PRECIPITATION FOR DECEMBER.

DISTRICTS.	Average for December. For many years.	Average for December. For 1878.	Comparison of December, 1878, with the average for many years.
	Inches.	Inches.	
St. Lawrence valley	2.15	5.35	3.20 excess.
New England	3.35	5.53	2.18 excess.
Middle Atlantic States	3.45	5.07	1.62 excess.
South Atlantic States	2.50	5.46	2.96 excess.
Eastern Gulf States	4.52	7.48	0.53 excess.
Western Gulf States	4.80	5.43	0.97 excess.
Tennessee	3.81	4.78	0.24 excess.
Ohio Valley	3.80	4.04	2.98 excess.
Lower Lake region	2.70	5.68	0.98 excess.
Upper Lake region	1.95	2.93	0.56 deficiency.
Upper Mississippi Valley	2.10	1.54	0.02 deficiency.
Minnesota	0.75	0.73	0.27 excess.
Lower Missouri Valley	1.70	1.97	0.29 excess.
Upper Missouri Valley	0.49	0.78	2.39 deficiency.
California Coast	3.46	1.07	3.65 deficiency.
Portland, Or	8.17	4.52	

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HEIGHTS OF RIVERS ABOVE LOW-WATER MARK, DEC., 1878.

STATIONS.	Danger point on gauge.	HIGHEST WATER. Date.	HIGHEST WATER. Height.	LOWEST WATER. Date.	LOWEST WATER. Height.
	ft. in.	Dec.	ft. in.	Dec.	ft. in.
RED RIVER.					
Shreveport	29 9	31	7 0	1	4 2
MISSOURI.					
Yankton	20 0	1	2 11	13	2 9
*Omaha	16 0	3	5 4	14	4 9
*Leavenworth	21 0	1, 2	5 8	8 to 13	5 6
MISSISSIPPI.					
*St. Paul	14 6	13	3 1	3, 4	0 7
*La Crosse	18 0	12	2 9	8, 9	0 7
*Dubuque	21 10	1	3 2	13, 17	1 7
*Davenport	15 0	1	2 3	16 to 18	1 5
*Keokuk	14 6	1	3 9	13	2 6
St. Louis	30 0	4, 5	2 8	27	5 11
Cairo	40 0	16	27 5	1	13 6
Memphis	34 0	16	21 2	1	5 2
Vicksburg	41 0	—	—	—	—
†New Orleans	—2 6	7	—12 11	27, 28	—16 3
OHIO.					
Pittsburgh	30 0	11	24 6	27	3 2
Cincinnati	50 0	14, 15	41 4	31	13 5
Louisville	24 0	17	16 0	24	9 8
CUMBERLAND.					
Nashville	42 0	2	17 3	31	7 4
MONONGAHELA.					
Morgantown	25 0	11	11 10	3	2 4
Pittsburg	30 0	11	24 6	27	3 2
SAVANNAH.					
Augusta	— —	1	10 0	7, 8	4 6
ALABAMA.					
Montgomery	— —	—	—	—	— —

*For portion of month before rivers froze.
†Below high-water mark.

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