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WAR DEPARTMENT WEATHER MAP.

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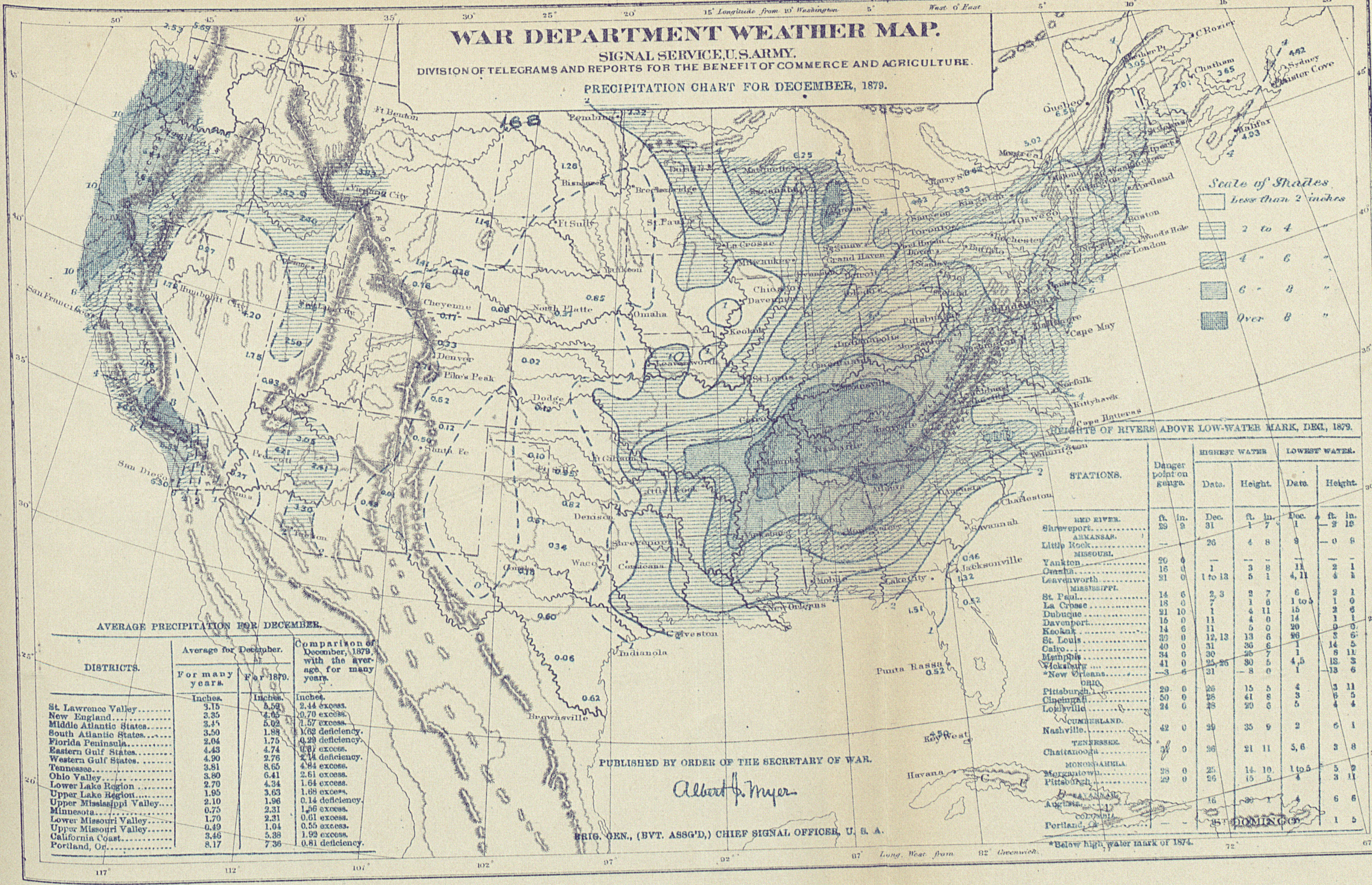
PRECIPITATION CHART FOR DECEMBER, 1879.



AVERAGE PRECIPITATION FOR DECEMBER.

DISTRICTS.	Average for December. For many years.	Average for December. For 1879.	Comparison of December, 1879, with the average for many years.
	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
St. Lawrence Valley	3.15	5.59	2.44 excess.
New England	3.35	4.05	0.70 excess.
Middle Atlantic States	3.45	5.02	1.57 excess.
South Atlantic States	3.50	1.88	1.62 deficiency.
Florida Peninsula	2.04	1.75	0.29 deficiency.
Eastern Gulf States	4.43	4.74	0.31 excess.
Western Gulf States	4.90	2.76	2.14 deficiency.
Tennessee	3.81	8.65	4.84 excess.
Ohio Valley	3.80	6.41	2.61 excess.
Lower Lake Region	2.70	4.34	1.64 excess.
Upper Lake Region	1.95	3.63	1.68 excess.
Upper Mississippi Valley	2.10	1.96	0.14 deficiency.
Minnesota	0.75	2.31	1.56 excess.
Lower Missouri Valley	1.70	2.31	0.61 excess.
Upper Missouri Valley	0.49	1.04	0.55 excess.
California Coast	3.46	5.38	1.92 excess.
Portland, Or	8.17	7.36	0.81 deficiency.

HEIGHTS OF RIVERS ABOVE LOW-WATER MARK, DEC, 1879.

STATIONS.	Danger point on gauge. ft.	Danger point on gauge. in.	Highest Water. Date. Dec.	Highest Water. Height. ft.	Highest Water. Height. in.	Lowest Water. Date. Dec.	Lowest Water. Height. ft.	Lowest Water. Height. in.
RED RIVER.								
Shreveport	29	9	31	1	7	1	— 2	10
ARKANSAS.								
Little Rock	—		26	4	8	9	— 0	8
MISSOURI.								
Yankton	20	0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Omaha	16	0	1	3	8	11	2	1
Leavenworth	21	0	1 to 13	5	1	4, 11	4	1
MISSISSIPPI.								
St. Paul	14	6	2, 3	2	7	6	2	1
La Crosse	18	0	7	1	6	1 to 5	1	0
Dubuque	21	10	1	4	11	15	2	6
Davenport	15	0	11	4	0	14	1	1
Keokuk	14	6	11	5	0	20	0	0
St. Louis	30	0	12, 13	13	6	26	3	6
Cairo	40	0	31	36	6	1	14	5
Memphis	34	0	30	25	7	1	8	11
Vicksburg	41	0	25, 26	30	5	4, 5	12	3
*New Orleans	—3	6	31	— 8	0	1	—13	6
OHIO.								
Pittsburgh	29	0	26	15	5	4	3	11
Cincinnati	50	0	28	41	8	3	6	5
Louisville	24	0	28	20	6	5	4	4
CUMBERLAND.								
Nashville	42	0	29	35	9	2	6	1
TENNESSEE.								
Chattanooga	[illegible]	0	26	21	11	5, 6	3	8
MONONGAHELA.								
Morgantown	28	0	25	14	10	1 to 5	5	2
Pittsburgh	29	0	26	15	5	4	3	11
SAVANNAH.								
Augusta			16	30	1	4	6	6
COLUMBIA.								
Portland, Or	—	—					1	5

*Below high water mark of 1874.

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