

stoppage of telegraphic communication between Toronto and the station, the Agent may exercise his discretion as to lowering the signal, or keeping it up longer ; but if the signal is lowered, a telegram stating the fact should be left at the telegraph office to be forwarded immediately on the re-establishment of telegraphic communication.

- (4) If, when a safety message arrives, the gale be still blowing, the Agent may, at his discretion, keep up the signal until the gale appears to be abating, in which case, in the telegraphic acknowledgment, the words "gale blowing, signal continued," must be added.

WRITTEN STORM REPORTS BY MAIL.

ART. VII.

- (1) At every station to which notices of expected storms are habitually sent by telegraph, a record of weather during and about the time of every storm, actual or expected, is to be kept in a storm register book provided for that purpose. In the same book are to be entered copies of telegrams received, and their telegraphic answers, copies of notices posted, times at which telegrams were received and despatched, times of hoisting and lowering signal, and times of mailing receipt cards and written reports.

Stations provided with instruments will be furnished with a larger register book, form 14, which is to be used in addition to the storm register book.

- (2) As soon as possible, after 24 hours from the time of storm ceasing (if it should have continued after despatch of safety telegram), the agent should send to the Meteorological Office by mail, a written storm report, on Form No. 10, at the back of the storm notice, or on the larger Form No. 9. It must be put in an *unsealed* wrapper or envelope, and stamped with 1 cent. If No. 9 is used, the original storm notice is to be enclosed with it.