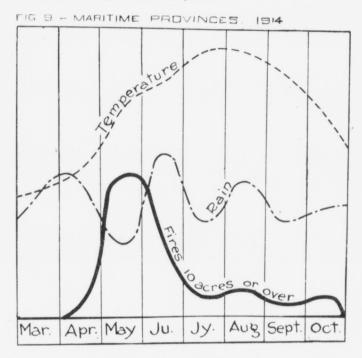
been, in general, even more extreme than in Ontario. The serious results that might be expected were experienced in most of the province, but the success which attended the well-organized efforts of the co-operative forest protective associations in the St. Maurice and Lower Ottawa valleys, and which is brought out more fully in the latter portions of this bulletin, should be carefully noted.



MARITIME PROVINCES

In the Maritime Provinces, 1914 was in general the most dangerous of the three seasons, 1914, 1915, and 1916. Not only was the number of fires greatest in that year, but the most damage was done. The danger period was confined mainly to May and the early part of June. By comparison with the two following diagrams it may be seen that the rainfall in May was less in 1914 than in either of the two following years. The rainfall in June was in the latter part of the month, so that a severe fire season resulted.

In 1915 there were two dangerous periods. The decreased rainfall in the latter part of August and in September is clearly shown in the diagram, and that brought on a number of not very extensive fires. A more severe fire season occurred at the end of May and the early part of June. The dangerous weather is not so clearly

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