

ART. III.

On receipt of a warning telegram :

- (1) Acknowledge the warning immediately by *telegraph*.
- (2) Hoist the drum or cone and post notices.
- (3) Fill up and send by *next* mail to Toronto, a special postal card acknowledgment.

If, after the cone or drum and cone has been hoisted for some time, the direction of the wind is expected to change, a second message will be sent similar to the first, containing the word, two, three or four, as the case may be, indicating the signal to be exposed as shewn on the diagram.

Agents will acknowledge second telegram in precisely the same manner as the first.

Remarks on (1) of Art. III.

The words of the telegraphic acknowledgment are to be arranged in the following order :

- (a) The local civil time, to be the nearest ten minutes, at which the message was received, according to Cypher Table No. 1.
- (b) The second, third and fourth words of the warning.
- (c) Description of recent weather up to the time when the warning was received, the description being in ordinary language, such as "fine," "north-east gale since sunrise," &c., &c.*
- (d) If a gale had blown during any part of the twelve hours preceding the receipt of the warning, and had *since ceased*, omit description of present weather, if necessary, in order to reduce the number of words as much as possible, and give the *direction* of gale, and, roughly, the times between which it raged, thus :
"North-east gale, sunsise, noon."

The agent should take care to use no more words than are absolutely necessary in the telegraphic acknowledgment.

* In giving a description of the force of the wind, the following terms should be employed : calm, light air, light breeze, moderate breeze, fresh breeze, strong breeze, moderate gale, fresh gale, heavy gale, hurricane.