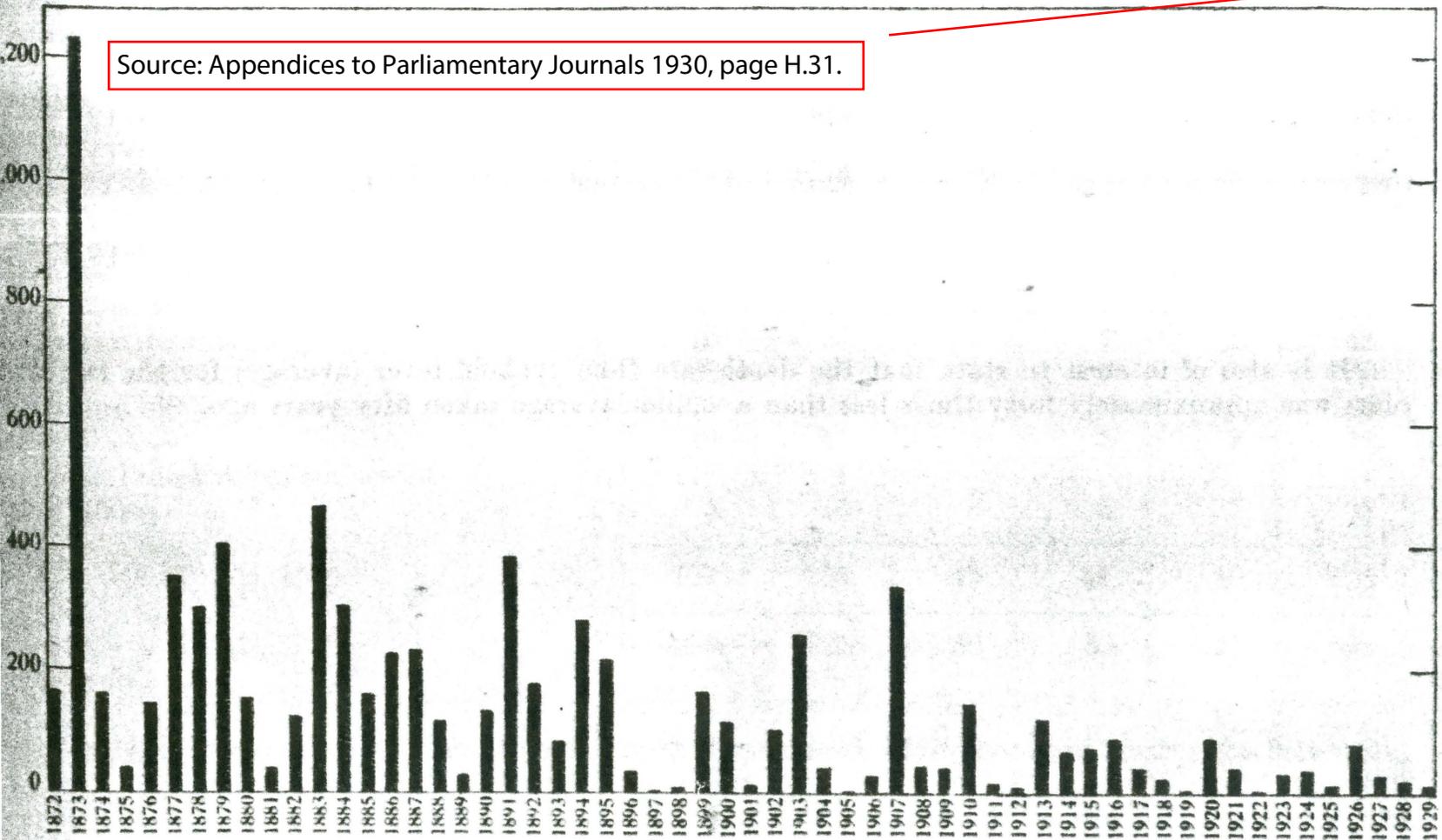


## WHOOPING-COUGH, 17 ; MEASLES, 1.

The year 1929 was a light one for both whooping-cough and measles. Epidemics of these two diseases tend to recur every few years, **but the death-rate over the last fifty years has reduced greatly.** The death-rate from both these diseases during 1929 was extremely low. I present two columnar graphs showing the death-rates annually since 1872. They illustrate two interesting points : (1) That New Zealand is about due for a measles and whooping-cough epidemic (it usually occurs in the spring) ; (2) that the resultant death-rates from such epidemics have reduced very greatly.

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WHOOPING-COUGH—DEATH-RATE PER 1,000,000 OF POPULATION FROM 1872 TO 1929.

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