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## STONYHURST COLLEGE OBSERVATORY.

RESULTS

OF

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AND
SOLAR OBSERVATIONS. BY THE

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## INTRODUCTION.

The work of the Meteorological and Magnetical department has been carried on as described in the Introduction 1892. The weekly reports have been sent regularly to the Meteorological Office, and the monthly report to the Registrar General. Occasional special reports have also been supplied to applications.

The continuous photographic records of Meteorological and Magnetical changes have been broken only by occasional troubles with the gas supply.

Tracings of the horizontal magnetic direction and force have been supplied to several applications, in connection with distant earthquakes; but we have found nothing in the movements of the magnets that could be attributed to any but magnetical disturbance. Even the nearer earth tremor of December made no impression on the magnetic curves. The tremor was felt slightly but distinctly by a very few of the residents in our neighbourhood

Over 350 photographs of stellar spectra have been obtained with the compound prism spectrograph in combination with the Perry-Memorial objective. These include some trials with the small dispersion of a single half-prism of aluminium glass, in order to provide the means of learning the condition of the calcium line K , in the spectra of small stars. The length of the spectrum is too small to show a fine line; but it distinguishes well between a broad, medium, and thin line, in stars to the 6th magnitude.

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| ntoneburst observatore. |  |
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| Lat $53^{\circ} 50^{\prime} 40^{\prime \prime}$. . Long. 9 m .52 s. 68. W. Height of the Barometer above the sea 381 ft . |  |
| METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. |  |
| JANUARY, $\quad 1896$. |  |
| Result of Observations taken during the Month. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean for the } \\ \text { last } \\ 49 \text { years } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer....inches 29.888 | $29 \cdot 446$ |
| Highest ," on the 9th.. ,, 30.597 | 30.286 |
| Lowest , on the 15th ,, 28.821 | 28.590 |
| Range of Barometer Readings ........ , 1.776 | 1.696 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 2nd 54.0 | 51.5 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 20th 25.0 | $20 \cdot 4$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .............. 29.0 | $31 \cdot 1$ |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings :......... 45.3 | $42 \cdot 2$ |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings ........... 35.1 | $32 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean Daily Range .. ............................. 10.2 | $9 \cdot 8$ |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) ............... .......................... $40 \cdot 0$ | 37.0 |
| Mean Temperature from Dry Bulb.......... ... $40 \cdot 4$ | 37.0 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature.................. ... 40.2 | 37.0 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation.............. 38.9 | $35 \cdot 9$ |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point ............. 37.2 | $33 \cdot 7$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour ............. $0 \cdot 22 \mathrm{~S}$ in | $0 \cdot 195$ in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub. ft. of air...... $\quad 2.6 \mathrm{gr}$ | $2 \cdot 4 \mathrm{gr}$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.4 gr | 0.4 gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00) .. 0.90 | $0 \cdot 86$ |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ....... 554.6 gr | 549.7 gr |
| Fall of Rain ................. ...................... 3.343in | 4.098 in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell ........ 15 | 19.7 |


| JANUARY 5896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. of days in the month on which the prevailing wind was | N | NE | E | SE | S | sw | W | NW |
|  | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 14 | 0 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | $4 \cdot 8$ | $5 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 9$ | 0 | 67 | $8 \cdot 2$ | 11.0 | 0 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction. | 343 | 245 | 187 | 0 | 646 |  |  | 0 |
| The total No. of miles registered during the month was 6282. The max. Velocity of the wind was 48 miles per hour, W. on the 15 th at $1.0 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky being indicated by 10.0) 84 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In the month of January the highest reading of the Barometer during 49 years, was on the 9 th, in 1896, and was.... $30 \cdot 597$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest , | 26th, 1884 |  |  | ,, .... 27-803 |  |  |  |  |
| The highest Temperature | 7th, 1887 |  |  | , |  | 59.9 |  |  |
| The lowest , | 15th, 1881 |  |  | , |  |  |  |  |
| The highest adopted mean temperature of the month, 1875 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest " | , |  |  | 1881.... 2 |  |  |  | 29.2 |
| The signs + and - mean respectively above and below the monthly average. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean barometric pressure | . $\quad . \quad+0.442$ inches |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monthly range ," | - |  |  |  | 0.080 , |  |  |  |
| Mean of highest temperatures | . |  |  | + 3.1 degrees |  |  |  |  |
| Mean of lowest , |  |  |  | . + |  |  |  |  |
| Mean daily range , | . |  |  | + 0.4 |  |  |  |  |
| Adopted mean temperature | . |  |  | + |  |  | " |  |
| Total rainfall .. .. .. .. - 0.755 inches <br> The highest reading of the barometer during the last 49 years occurred on the 9 th when the mercury stood at $30 \cdot 597$ inches. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Frost on the 5th, 6th, 8th-12th, 14th, 15th, 20th-23rd, 28th and 29th. Hoar Frost on the 21st. Snow on the 9 th. Hail on the 13th and 15th. Heavy Rain on the 14th and 24th. Fog on the 7th. Gales of Wind on the 15th and 16th. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Gales of Wind on the 15th and 16th.




| MARCH, 1896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Mo nth. |  |  |  |  |  | Mean for the last 49 years. |  |  |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer...... inches 29.313 |  |  |  |  |  | $29 \cdot 466$ |  |  |
| Highest $\quad$, on t | on the 10th |  | , | $29 \cdot 880$ |  | $30 \cdot 076$ |  |  |
| Lowest ", on | on the 3rd |  | , | $28 \cdot 180$ |  | 28.666 |  |  |
| Range of Barometer Readings |  |  | ", | 1.700 |  | 1.410 |  |  |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the |  |  | 25th | 58.0 |  | 57.2 |  |  |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Ther. on the 30th |  |  |  | 28.8 |  | 22.5 |  |  |
| Range of Thermometer Readings |  |  |  | $29 \cdot 2$ |  | $34 \cdot 7$ |  |  |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings |  |  |  | $50 \cdot 3$ |  | 473 |  |  |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings |  |  |  | $35 \cdot 3$ |  | 34-1 |  |  |
| Mean Daily Range |  |  |  | $15 \cdot 0$ |  | 13.2 |  |  |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) |  |  |  |  |  | $39 \cdot 8$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature from 1)ry Bulb |  |  |  | 42.6 |  | $40 \cdot 0$ |  |  |
| Adopted Mean Temperature |  |  |  | $42 \cdot 2$ |  | $39 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation |  |  |  | $40 \cdot 0$ |  | $37 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Dew P |  |  |  | $37 \cdot 3$ |  | $35 \cdot 4$ |  |  |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour . . . . . . . . . . . 0.223 in |  |  |  | 0.223 in |  | $0 \cdot 206 \mathrm{in}$ |  |  |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub. ft. of air.... 2.6 gr |  |  |  |  |  | 2.4 gr |  |  |
| Meanadditional weight required | for | satu | tion |  | $0.5 \mathrm{gr}$ | 0.5 gr |  |  |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00) .. 084 |  |  |  |  |  | 0.85 |  |  |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air . . . . . . . . 541.6 gr |  |  |  |  |  | 546.5 gr |  |  |
| Fall of Rain |  |  |  | 7.079 in |  | 3-202in |  |  |
| Number of days on which Rain fell ........ |  |  |  | 27 |  | $17 \cdot 6$ |  |  |
| No. of days in the month on which the prevailing wind was | N | NE | E | SE | S | sw | w | NW |
|  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 16 | 2 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | $7 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 8$ | 0 | 68 | $13 \cdot 8$ | $7 \cdot 3$ | $16 \cdot 4$ | 14.1 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 505 | 139 | 0 | 162 | 664 | 1052 | 6288 | 676 |
| The total number of miles re The max. Velocity of the win on the 16 th at $2-0$ p.m. | giste <br> d wa |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| MAY, 1896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Month. |  |  |  |  |  | Mean for thelast49 years |  |  |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer .... inches 29.860 |  |  |  |  |  | 29516 |  |  |
| Highest , on t | on the 25 th |  | , | 30-106 |  | 29.953 |  |  |
| Lowest ," on | on the 20th |  | , | $29 \cdot 390$ |  | 28.956 |  |  |
| Range of Barometer Readings. |  |  |  | 0.716 |  | 0.997 |  |  |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 12th |  |  |  | $76 \cdot 0$ |  | $72 \cdot 2$ |  |  |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 3rd |  |  |  | 32.0 |  | $31 \cdot 3$ |  |  |
| Range of Thermometer Readings |  |  |  | 44.0 |  | $40 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings........... |  |  |  | $65 \cdot 2$ |  | 599 |  |  |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings ........... |  |  |  | 42.6 |  | $42 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| Mean Daily Range |  |  |  | 226 |  | 17.8 |  |  |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min. |  |  |  |  | $52 \cdot 2$ | $49 \cdot 2$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature from Dry Bulb.......... |  |  |  | 536 |  | $49 \cdot 7$ |  |  |
| Adopted Mean Temperature |  |  |  | 529 |  | $49 \cdot 4$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation |  |  |  | 486 |  | 462 |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point ........... 44.3 |  |  |  | $44 \cdot 3$ |  | 426 |  |  |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0.292 in |  |  |  | $0.292 \text { in }$ |  | $0 \cdot 277$ in |  |  |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub |  | f air |  |  | 3 grr | $3 \cdot 1 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |
| Meanadditional weight required | for | satura | ation |  | gr | 0.9 gr |  |  |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00).. 0.73 |  |  |  |  |  | 0.76 |  |  |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ........ 539.7 gr |  |  |  |  |  | $537 \cdot \mathrm{igr}$ |  |  |
| Fall of Rain |  |  |  |  |  | $2 \cdot 553 \mathrm{in}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $15 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| No. of days in the month on which the prevailing wind was | N | NE | E | SE | S | SW | w | NW |
|  | 2 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 1 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | $10 \cdot 6$ | 5.6 | 7.9 | 0 | 0 | $10 \cdot 2$ | $7 \cdot 8$ | 4.5 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction. | 509 | 1071 | 1321 | 0 | 0 | 245 | 2242 | 108 |
| The total number of miles re The max. Velocity of the wis on the 20th at $3 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Also 30 29th at noon. | mil | per | mile <br> hour |  |  | ${ }^{41}$ |  | N. |


| MAY, $\quad 1896$. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky being indicated by 10.0) $\quad 5.8$ |  |  |  |  |
| In the month of May, the highest reading of the Barometer during 49 years, was on the 2nd in 1895, and was........ $30 \cdot 217$ |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest $\quad$, 28th, 1877 ,...... .28 .559 |  |  |  |  |
| The highest Temperature 19th, 1864 ," ........ 82.5 |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest $\quad$, 4th, 1855 , |  |  |  |  |
| The highest adopted mean temperature of the month, $1848 \quad 55 \cdot 1$ |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest $\quad$, ", 1855 45.0 |  |  |  |  |
| Table of Differences. <br> The signs + and - mean respectively above and below the monthly average. |  |  |  |  |
| Mean barometric pressure .. .. +0.344 inches |  |  |  |  |
| Monthly range $\quad$, . . . 0.281 |  |  |  |  |
| Mean of highest temperatures .. .. + 5.3 degrees |  |  |  |  |
| Mean of lowest ,, .. .. +0.5 ,, |  |  |  |  |
| Mean daily range ,, .. .. + 48 , |  |  |  |  |
| Adopted Mean temperature |  |  |  |  |
| Total rainfall $\quad . \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad-\quad 1.793$ inchesFrost on the 1 st, <br> the 20 th . |  |  |  |  |



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## JULY, 1896.



## Table of Differences.

The signs + and - mean respectively above and below the monthly average.
Mean barometric pressure .. .. +0.097 inches
Monthly Range ,. .. .. - 0.160 ,,
Mean of highest temperatures .. .. + $1 \cdot 4$ degrees
Mean of lowest ,, .. .. - 0.1 .,

Mean daily range ., .. .. + 1.5 "
Adopted mean temperature .. .. 0.8 ,
Total rainfall .. .. - 1.623 inches
Thunder and Lightning with Heavy Rain on the 9th.

| AUGUST, 1896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the month. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean for the } \\ \text { last } \\ 49 \text { years. } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer .. inches 29.608 |  |  |  |  |  | 29.489 |  |  |
| Highest ", on | on the 10th |  | " | 29 | 896 |  | 29.88 |  |
| Lowest | on the 26th |  | , |  | 170 | 28.94 |  |  |
| Range of Barometer Readings |  |  |  |  | 726 |  | 0.93 |  |
| Highest Reading of a Max Therm. on the 1st |  |  |  |  | 72.5 | $76 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 26th |  |  |  |  | 40.0 | 41.2 |  |  |
| Range of Thermometer Readings |  |  |  |  | 32.5 | 35.7 |  |  |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings |  |  |  |  | 64.7 | $67 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings |  |  |  |  | 48.7 | $50 \cdot 4$ |  |  |
| Mean Daily Range....................... |  |  |  |  | 16.0 | 16.7 |  |  |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) |  |  |  |  | 55.0 | $57 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature from Dry Bulb ........... |  |  |  |  | 55.3 | 57.5 |  |  |
| Adopted Mean Temperature |  |  |  |  | 2 | 57.3 |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation |  |  |  |  | 59.0 | 54.5 |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point |  |  |  |  | 48.9 | 51.7 |  |  |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour. |  |  |  |  | 347 in | 0.387 |  |  |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub.ft. of air .... |  |  |  |  | 3.9 gr | $4 \cdot 3 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |
| Meanadditional weight required for saturation |  |  |  |  | 1.0 gr | ${ }_{0}^{0.9 \mathrm{gr}}$ |  |  |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00) .. |  |  |  |  | 80 |  |  |  |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ....... $\quad 532.0 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |  |  |  | $527 \cdot 4 \mathrm{gr}$ <br> 5.036 in |  |  |
| Fall of Rain |  |  |  |  | 300 in |  |  |  |
| Number of Days on which rain fell ........ 19 |  |  |  |  |  | 5.036 in$19 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| No. of days in the month on which the prevailing wind was | N | ne | E | SE | s | sw | nw |  |
|  | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 3 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | $4 \cdot 2$ | $5 \cdot 8$ | 0 | 0 | 14.8 | 10.8 | 10.0 | 8.0 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 509 | 694 | 0 | 0 | 356 | 517 | 3593 | 579 |
| The total number of miles registered during the month was 6248 . The max. Velocity of the wind was 34 miles per hour, S. b E. on the 30th, at 8-0 a.m. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |






## OCTOBER, 1896.

Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky being indicated by 10.0) $\quad 7.7$
In the month of October, the highest reading of the Barom-
eter during 49 years, was on the 5 th, in 1884 , and was $\ldots .30 \cdot 306$
The lowest $\quad, \quad 19 \mathrm{th}, 1862$,, .... 28.139
The highest Temperature 9 th, 1869 ,, .... 72.8
The lowest ,, 28th, 1895 ,, .... 17.8
The highest adopted mean temperature of the month, 1861 \&'76 $\quad 51 \cdot 6$
The lowest , ", 1895.... $42 \cdot 8$

## Table of Differences.

The signs + and - mean respectively above and below the monthly average.
Mean barometric pressure .. .. - 0.125 inches
Monthly range , .. .. - 0.013 ,"

Mean of highest temperatures .. .. - 3.5 degrees
Mean of lowest, .. .. - 4.8 ,
Mean daily range, .. .. $+1 \cdot 3$,
Adopted mean temperature .. .. - . $4 \cdot 1$,"
Total rainfall .. .. .. - 0.905 inches
Frost on the 11th-14th, 19th-29th. Hoar frost 27th. Snow 11th, 24th and 25th. Ha1l 4th, 5th, 11th, and 24th. Fog 28th. Thunder 5th and 10th. Lightning 5th, 8th, 10th and 29th. Gale of wind 8th. Aurora Borealis 12th.

| NOVEMBER, 1896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Resalts of Observations taken during the Month. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean for the } \\ \text { last } \\ 49 \text { years } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer........ inches 29.735 |  |  |  |  |  | $29 \cdot 3 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| Highest | on the 24th ," |  |  | 30 |  | 30059 |  |  |
| Lowest | on the 14th |  |  | 28 |  | 28.564 |  |  |
| Range of Barometer Readings ................. 1-477 |  |  |  |  |  | $1 \cdot 495$ |  |  |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 12th |  |  |  |  | 2.0 | 55.7 |  |  |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm.on the 5th ... |  |  |  |  | 1.0 | $25 \cdot 4$ |  |  |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .............. |  |  |  |  | 1.0 | $30 \cdot 3$ |  |  |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings.............. |  |  |  |  | 6.2 | $47 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings.............. |  |  |  |  | 33.2 | 36.3 |  |  |
| Mean Daily Range ................................. |  |  |  |  | 3.0 | $10 \cdot 8$ |  |  |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  | $9 \cdot 3$ | $41 \cdot 3$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature from Dry Bulb............. |  |  |  |  | 39.5 | 41.6 |  |  |
| Adopted Mean Temperature |  |  |  |  | 39.4 | 41.5 |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation |  |  |  |  | 8.0 | 39.2 |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point.............. |  |  |  |  | 6.2 | $37 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour |  |  |  | 0 | 214 ir | 0.229in |  |  |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub.ft.of air........ |  |  |  |  |  | $2 \cdot 6 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation |  |  |  |  | $0 \cdot 4 \mathrm{gr}$ | 0.4 gr |  |  |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00)... 0.89 |  |  |  |  |  | 0.87 |  |  |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ........... 552 |  |  |  |  |  | 544.9 gr |  |  |
| Number of days on which Rain fell. |  |  |  | 1 | 536 in |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. of days in the month on which the prevailing wind was | N | NE | E | SE | s | sw | NW |  |
|  | 6 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 82 | $7 \cdot 4$ | 14.0 | 0 | 10.5 | $6 \cdot 1$ | $7 \cdot 1$ | 0 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 894 | 1237 | 671 | 0 | 502 | 442 |  | 0 |
| The total number of miles The max. Velocity of th on the 14 th at 5 p.m. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



| DECEMBER, 1896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Results of Ubservations taken during the Month. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean for the } \\ \text { last } \\ 49 \text { years } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer .... inches 29.303   <br> Highest ,$\quad$ on the 20 th \& 29 th 29.875 <br> Lowest ", on the 6 th 28.348 |  |  |  |  |  | 29.455 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3071 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 28589 |  |  |
| Range of Barometer Readings . ........... 1.527 |  |  |  |  |  | 1.482 |  |  |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 26th 53.0 |  |  |  |  |  | 53.0 |  |  |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Ther. on the 23rd \& 28th 24.0 |  |  |  |  |  | 20.2 |  |  |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .......... 290 |  |  |  |  |  | 32.8 |  |  |
| Mean of all the Highest Readi | ngs |  |  |  | $3 \cdot 5$ | 43.0 |  |  |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings |  |  |  |  | $3 \cdot 0$ | $32 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean Daily Range |  |  |  |  | 5 | $10 \cdot 1$ |  |  |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) ..................................... 383 |  |  |  |  |  | $37 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature from Dry Bulb * . . . . . . $39 \cdot 4$ |  |  |  |  |  | $38 \cdot 6$ |  |  |
| Adopted Mean Temperature . ............... 38.9 |  |  |  |  |  | $38 \cdot 3$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation.......... $37 \cdot 3$ |  |  |  |  |  | $36 \cdot 7$ |  |  |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point .......... $\mathbf{3 5 \cdot 2}$ |  |  |  |  |  | $34 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour .......... 0206 i |  |  |  |  |  | 0.204 in |  |  |
| Mean weight of Vap |  |  |  |  |  | $2 \cdot 4 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.5 gr |  |  |  |  |  | 0.4 gr |  |  |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00) .. 0.87 |  |  |  |  |  | $0 \cdot 87$ |  |  |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air . . . . . . . . . $545 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~g}$ |  |  |  |  |  | $548 \cdot 3 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |
| Fall of Rain ................................... 5.388in Number of days on which Rain fell |  |  |  |  |  | $5 \cdot 275$ in |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $18 \cdot 9$ |  |  |
| No of days in the month on which the prevail ng wind was | N | NE | E | SE | s | sw | w | NW |
|  | 4 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 2 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | $6 \cdot 8$ | $4 \cdot 5$ | 95 | 0 | $12 \cdot 1$ | $14 \cdot 6$ | $9 \cdot 7$ | $4 \cdot 7$ |
| Total No. of miles for each direction | 648 | 217 | 1382 | 0 | 869 | 2115 | 1862 | 227 |
| The total number of miles $r$ The max. Velocity of the w on the 30 th, at 8.0 p m . |  |  | lurir $39 \mathrm{~m}$ |  | $\mathrm{rl}$ | ir, | $7$ |  |

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Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky being indicated by 10.0 ) 8.8
In the Month of December, the highest reading of the Bar-
ometer during 49 years, was on the 22 nd , in 1849 , and was $30 \cdot 378$
The lowest ,, 8th, 1886 ,, .... 27.350
The highest Temperature 9th, 1876 ,, .... 58.1
The lowest ,, 24th, 1860 ., ..... 6.7
The highest adopted mean temperature of the month $1857 . . \quad 44.6$
The lowest ,, 1878 ,...

## Table of Differences.

The signs + and - mean respectively above and below the monthly average.
Mean barometric pressure .. .. - 0.152 inches
Monthly range . . . . +0.045 ,

Mean of highest temperatures .. .. +0.5 degrees
Mean of lowest ., .. .. + 0.1 ,
Mean daily range $\quad$, . .. $+\mathbf{0 . 4}$,"
Adopted mean temperatures $\quad . . \quad . \quad+\quad j 6 \quad,$.
Total rainfall .. .. .. $+0 \cdot 113$ inches
Frost 1st, 6th, 12th-15th, 28th, 29th. Hoar Frost 23rd. Snow 15 th, 16 th, 17 th, 18 th, and 22 nd. Heavy rain, 24 th, 25 th, and 27 th. Fog 11th, 16th, and 23rd. Gales of wind 28th and 30th.

| कummmary of observations |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Year. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mean for the } \\ & \text { last } \\ & 49 \text { years. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer . . . . inches 29.584 | $29 \cdot 491$ |
| Highest $\quad$, on January 9th , 30.597 | 30.284 |
| Lowest ,, on March 3rd ,, 28.180 | $28 \cdot 264$ |
| Range of Barometer Readings . . . . . . , , 2.417 | $2 \cdot 0 \% 0$ |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Ther. on June 14th and 15th. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 827 | $81 \cdot 6$ |
| Lowest Reading of a Min Therm. on Nov. 5th 21.0 | 153 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings . . . . . . . 61.7 | 66.3 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings . . . . . . . . 5 55.9 | $54 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings . . . . . . . . 40.6 | $40 \cdot 6$ |
| Mean Daily Range. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 15.3 | $14 \cdot 2$ |
| Deduced yearly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) ........................................... $47 \cdot 3$ | $46 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb .............. 478 | $46 \cdot 7$ |
| Adopted Mean Temperature .............. 475 | $46 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation ........ 44.9 | $44 \cdot 5$ |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point .......... 421 | $42 \cdot 1$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour . . . . . . . . . . . 0.275 in | $0 \cdot 273$ in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub. ft. of air .... $3 \cdot 2 \mathrm{gr}$ | $3 \cdot 3 \mathrm{gr}$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.8 gr | $0 \cdot 7 \mathrm{gr}$ |
| Mean degree of Humidity (saturation 1.00).. 0.82 | 084 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ....... $540 \cdot 7 \mathrm{gr}$ | $539 \cdot 2 \mathrm{gr}$ |
| Total fall of rain in the year. . . . . . . . . . . . . 44.693 in | $47 \cdot 17 \mathrm{lin}$ |
| Number of days per month on which rain fell 16.8 | 180 |
| The Maximum monthly mean height of the Barometer was in February, 1891, and was $\qquad$ .. inches 29.997 |  |
| The Minimum , , in December, 1868, and was 28984 |  |
| The Maximum yearly mean height of the Barometer was in 1896, and was $\qquad$ $29: 584$ |  |
| The Minimum ,, in 1866, and was ... | .. $29 \cdot 389$ |


| SUMMARY, 1896. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The greatest monthly range of the Barometer was in January, 1884, and was $\qquad$ inches $2 \cdot 409$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The least ,, ", in July, 1852, and was..... ,, 0.505 The highest reading of the Barometer during 49 years was on January 9th, 1896, and was $\qquad$ inches 30.597 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest , ", on December 8th, 1886, and was 27.350 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extreme range .................................inches 3.247 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The highest temperature was on June 18th, 1893, and was.. 88.7 The lowest ,, ,, January 15̌th, 1881........... 4.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The highest adopted mean temperature of a month, July, 1868 $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The lowest , ", "February, 1855, . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The highest adopted mean temperatures of a year 1868.. 491 The lowest , ", ", $187 / .944 \cdot 1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { The greatest monthly mean weight of vapour } \\ \text { in a cubic foot of air ................\} }\end{array}\right\}$ July, $18 \overline{5} 2 \ldots \quad 5 \cdot 1 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The least ", February, 1855 and $1895 \quad 1.4 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The greatest fall of rain in a month, was in October, 1870, and was $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The least |  |  |  |  | M | h, 185 | 20 |  |
| The greatest number of days on whichrain fell in one month ....... .. $\}$ July, 1861.Dec. $1868 \quad 31$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The least ", |  |  |  |  | March, 1852 |  |  | 3 |
|  | Summary of Wind. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No of days in the year on which the prevailing wind was. | N | E | E | SE | s | sw | w |  |
|  | 43 | 44 | 29 | 7 | 22 | 42 | 161 | 18 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 6.8 | $5 \cdot 8$ | 8.0 | $7 \cdot 3$ | 11 | 9.5 | $10 \cdot 4$ | 74 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 7021 | 6175 | 5534 | 1228 | 6220 | 9544 | 40295 | 3194 |
| The total No. of miles registered during the year was 79211. <br> The max. Velocity of the wind was 51 miles per hour. S. by W., at $8-0$ and 9.0 a.m., on October 8th. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



| DATES OF OCCASIONAL PHENOMENA (Continued.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1896 | Heavy Rain | $\mathrm{F}_{\mathbf{0} \mathrm{g}}$ | Thunder | Lightning | Lunar Halo | Solar Halo |
| January <br> February <br> March <br> Aṕril <br> May <br> June <br> August <br> September <br> October <br> November <br> December | 14,24 29 $3,5,7,10,13,25,27$ 4,22 9 23,25 $22,24,27$ $24,25,27$ | $\begin{gathered} 7 \\ 5,6,14 \\ 10 \\ \\ \\ \\ 30 \\ 28 \\ 11,16,23 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 24,25 \\ 28 \\ 20 \\ 3,4,6,7,8,16 \\ 9 \\ 19,26 \\ 9,11,12,13,16,27,28 \\ 5,10 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 24 \\ \\ 6,7 \\ 9 \\ 26 \\ 9,11,12,18,27 \\ 5,8,10,29 \end{gathered}$ | $24,25$ <br> 18 | 18 |
| Aurora Borealis on October 12th, at 6-30 p.m. |  |  |  |  |  |  |



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| 1896. | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  | $\cdot 46$ | $\cdot 50$ | $\cdot 45$ | $\cdot 38$ | $\cdot 73$ | -42 |  |  |  | $\cdot 45$ |
| 2 |  |  | 46 | . 44 |  |  |  |  |  |  | -40 |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 77$ |  |  |  | $\cdot 37$ |  |
| 4 |  |  |  |  | .42 .38 | $\cdot 52$ | . 35 |  |  |  | -39 |  |
| 5 |  |  | -42 | $\cdot 66$ | . 38 | $\cdot 52$ | 35 .34 |  |  |  | -88 |  |
| 6 7 |  | - |  |  | - .44 |  | . 40 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 8 | 43 |  |  |  | . 33 | $\cdot 71$ |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 40$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{r}8 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 43 | $\cdot 48$ |  | $\cdot 66$ | $\cdot 35$ | - 39 |  |  |  | $\cdot 35$ |  |  |
| 10 |  |  |  | $\cdot 38$ | $\cdot 39$ |  | $\cdot 65$ |  | '45 |  |  |  |
| 11 |  |  | -69 |  | -47 | $\cdot 67$ | $\cdot 51$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 |  | $\cdot 41$ | $\cdot 44$ |  | $\cdot 43$ |  | -35 |  | $\cdot 47$ | . 40 | $\cdot 40$ | -42 |
| 13 |  |  | $\cdot 40$ | $\cdot 37$ | $\cdot 36$ |  | . 34 |  |  | - 40 |  |  |
| 14 |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 35$ | . 49 | $\cdot \mathrm{34}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 |  |  |  | $\cdot 39$ |  | 43 | . 39 |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 47$ |
| 16 | * |  |  |  | $\cdot 49$ | 43 | -68 |  | $\cdot 35$ |  | $\cdot 52$ | $\cdot 45$ |
| 17 |  |  |  | .73 .34 | $\cdot 49$ | $\cdot 44$ | 68 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | $\cdot 43$ | $\cdot 56$ |  | $\cdot$ $\cdot$ $\cdot 54$ | - 43 | 4 | -39 |  |  |  | $\cdot 39$ | $\cdot 41$ |
| 19 |  |  |  | '53 | . 52 |  | $\cdot 34$ |  | .70 | $\cdot 36$ |  |  |
| 20 |  |  |  | $\cdot 37$ | -43 |  | $\cdot 38$ |  | $\cdot 42$ | $\cdot 51$ |  |  |
| 21. | $\cdot 65$ | . 65 |  |  |  | $\cdot 46$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | $\cdot 44$ | $\cdot 44$ |  |  | $\cdot 35$ |  | '70 | . 69 |  | '39 |  | $\cdot 45$ |
| 24 |  |  | -31 | $\cdot 42$ |  | $\cdot 69$ |  | 65 |  |  |  |  |
| 25 |  |  |  | $\cdot 44$ |  | . 42 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 |  | $\cdot 52$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 48$ |
| 27 |  |  |  | $\cdot 69$ | - 39 | $\cdot 52$ | $\cdot 42$ |  | $\cdot 52$ | $\cdot 49$ |  |  |
| 28 | $\cdot 42$ |  |  |  | 39 | 52 | - |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 48$ |
| 29 30 |  |  | $\cdot$ $\cdot$ $\cdot 39$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text {. } \\ .42 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | . 71 |  |  |  | $\cdot 44$ | $\cdot 42$ | -37 |  |
| 30 31 |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 74$ |  | $\cdot 46$ |  |  |  |  |  |





OBSERVATIONS OF UPPER CLOUDS (CIRRUS.)

| Date. 1896. |  | G. M. T. | Cloud. |  | Wind. |  | Direction of Lower Clouds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Direction | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { V'locity } \\ (0-6) . \end{array}\right\|$ | Direction. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Force. } \\ (0-12) \end{gathered}\right.$ |  |
| January 19 |  | 10am | SW | 2 | WSW | 1 |  |
| ,' | 20 | 10am | NW | 2 | N b W | 0 |  |
| ", | 29 | 10am | SW b S | 3 | W bs | 0 | SWb W |
| February | 7 | 2pm | W b N | 2 | SSW | 2 | SW |
| ", | 11 | Noon | SEb S | 3 | W b S | 3 | W |
| " | 13 | 9 am | SEbS | 2 | NEbN | 1 | NW |
| " | 14 | $1-30 \mathrm{pm}$ | EbS | 2 | W | 3 | W |
| " | 24 | 9-10am | N b W | 2 | $\mathbf{L} \mathrm{b}$ N | 1 |  |
| " | 26 | Noon | N | 3 | SE | 0 |  |
| March | 5 | 9 am | NW b N | 3 | WNW | 4 | W |
| , | 12 | 9am | EbS | 2 | ENE | 1 | NE |
| " | 22 | 9-10am | N b W | 2 | W | 0 | S |
| " | 23 | 9 15am | NNW | 2 | SW b W | 2 | SW |
| " | 27 | 10-55am | WNW | 2 | WNW | 5 | NW |
| , | 30 | 7-45am | NbW | 2 | NNE | 1 |  |
| April | 2 | 10am | N | 2 | N | 1 | NNE |
| ,, | 3 | $5 \cdot 20 \mathrm{pm}$ | N | 3 | ENE | 1 |  |
| " | 6 | 4 pm | NW | 1 | W | 3 | W |
| " | 9 | 9-30am | N b W | 2 | WSW | 2 | W |
| ," | 13 | 9 am | NW | 2 | NW b W | 3 | WWbW |
| " | 17 | $6-30 \mathrm{pm}$ | W | 3 | W | 3 | SW bW |
| " | 18 | 10am | WNW | 2 | ESE | 0 | NW |
| " | 24 | 4 pm | NW b W | 2 | W | 2 | SW |
| ," | 27 | 4-30pm | W | 3 | W b S | 4 | SWb W |
| May | 5 | 1.45 pm | NW | 3 | WNW | 2 | W |
| " | 6 | 8-30am | NNE | 2 | ENE | 2 |  |
| " | 7 | $5-45 \mathrm{pm}$ | NNW | 3 | ENE | 2 | W |
| , | 8 | $9-30 \mathrm{am}$ | NEb N | 2 | EbN | 2 |  |
| " | 13 | 1050 am | SE | 2 | WSW | 2 | W |
| " | 16 | 9-15am | W b N | 2 | NE, b E | 0 | W |
| " | 19 | 7-30am | W b S | 3 | WNW | 2 | W |
| " | 20 | Noon | SE b S | 3 | N b W | 5 | NW |
| " | 21 | 7-30am | $\mathbf{N b} \mathbf{E}$ | 2 | NbW | 1 | NW |
| " | 27 | 7-15am | SE b E | 3 | NE ${ }^{\text {b }}$ E | 1 | NE |
| " | 28 | 10-30am | WNW | 2 | E | 1 | NE |
| ," | 29 | 11-45am | NW | 3 | NW | 5 | W |
| June | 1 | 5-30pm | NW | 3 | NNW | 0 | W |
|  | 2 | 9 am . | W | 2 | NNE | 1 |  |
| " | 6 | 8-30am | EbS | 2 | SSE | 1 | SE |
| ; | 8 | 4 pm | S | 3 | N | 1 | NW |


| OBSERVATIONS OF UPPER CLOUDS (Continued). |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date.$1896 .$ |  | G. M. T. | Cloud. |  | Wind.Direction. $\left.\right\|_{(0-12)} ^{\text {Force }}$ |  | Direction of Lower Clouds. |
|  |  | Direction. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & V \text { 'locity } \\ & (0-6) . \end{aligned}\right.$ |  |  |  |
| June | 9 |  | 9 am | SW e S | 2 | NE b E | 1 | NE |
| " | 10 | 3-30pm | NNW | 2 | NbW | 2 | N |
| , | 12 | 7 am | SW | 3 | NWb W | 0 |  |
| ', | 13 | 7-45am | S | 2 | NW | 0 | SW |
| ," | 14 | $9-30 \mathrm{am}$ | s b W | 2 | Eb N | 0 | NW |
| " | 16 | Noon | SWb W | 3 | ESE | 2 | W |
| , | 18 | 2pm | SW | 3 | W b S | 3 | W |
| ., | 19 | 4 pm | W | 3 | W | 3 | W b S |
| , | 22 | 9 am | NW | 3 | WNW | 2 | W |
| '' | 28 | Noon | W | 3 | WNW | 4 | SW |
| , | 30 | 5-20pm | NW | 2 | WNW | 4 | W |
| July | 2 | Noon | NW b W | 3 | W | 2 | N W |
|  | 5 | 10am | NWb W | 2 | W b S | 3 | W |
| " | 6 | 9am |  | 2 | W | 1 | SW |
|  | 7 | 9 am | S b W | 2 | WSW | 1 | SW |
| ", | 12 | 5 pm | W | 2 | WNW | 2 | W |
| ', | 13 | 8.30 am | NW | 2 | NNE | 0 | S b E |
|  | 14 | 2 pm | SSE | 2 | W | 2 | SW |
| " | 16 | 3 pm | NE | 2 | NE | 1 | SW |
| , | 17 | $5-30 \mathrm{pm}$ | NW | 2 | W b N | 1 |  |
| ", | 19 | 2 pm | NW | 2 | W | 3 | SF |
| ", | 23 | 2 pm | SW | 3 | W b S | 4 | SW |
| August | 6 | 2 pm | SW | 2 | W | 3 | W |
|  | 9 | 5 pm | SW | 3 | NE | 1 | NW |
| ", | 10 | 7-30pm | NE | 3 | NE b E | 1 | W |
| :, | 11 | 5 pm | NW | 2 | W | 3 | W |
| : | 12 | 5 pm | NW | 3 | W b N | 3 | W |
| ," | 15 | $6-30 \mathrm{pm}$ | W b N | 3 | NW | 1 | NW |
| " | 16 | 9 am | NW b N | 2 | WSW | 2 | W |
| ," | 17 | 5 pm | Nb W | 3 | SW b W | 1 | S |
| ', | 18 | 3 pm | S | 2 | N | 3 | W |
|  | 20 | 7 pm | NE | 3 | SW b W | 1 | SW |
| ", | 24 | 430 pm | NW | 1 | W b S | 3 | W |
| Sept. |  | 7-30am | ESE | 2 | $\mathrm{Nb} E$ | 0 | N.b W |
| , |  | Noon | F b S | 2 | NWbin | 1 | NW |
| ", 9 |  | 4 pm | NW | 2 | ENE | 1 | NE |
| ", 10 |  | 4 pm | NNW | 2 | ESE | 1 | NE |
| ", 1015 |  | 4 pm | W b S | 3 | S | 2 | SW |
| ," 18 |  | 9 am | W | 2 | SW b W | 2 | SW |
| ", 18 |  | 10am | SW b W | 2 | WSW | 2 | SW |
| $\prime$  <br> , 18 |  | 1030 am | SW | 3 | WSW | 2 | SW |
|  |  | 5.45 pm | NW | 2 | WNW | 6 | W |

OBSERVATIONS OF UPPER CLOUDS (Continued).

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Date } \\ & 1896 \end{aligned}$ |  | G M.T. | Cloud. |  | Wind. |  | DIrection of LowerClouds. Olouds. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Direction. | $\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l} \text { V'locity } \\ (0-6 .) \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Direction. | (0, |  |
| Sept. | 24 | 5.50 pm | W | 3 | SWb W | 1 | SW |
|  | . 30 | Noon | N | 3 |  | 1 |  |
| Oct. | 7 | 7 am | NW | 3 | SW. | 1 | sW |
| " | 12 | 7-30am | NNW | 3 | N | 2 | NE |
| , | 17 | 8-30am | NE b W | 3 | NNE | 1 |  |
| , | 21 | 8 am | NWbW | 2 | NNE | 1 | NE |
| " | 22 | 8 am | N b W | 3 | S b E | 0 | SW |
| ," | 26 | 2 pm | Wbs | 3 | NW b N | 1 | NW |
| " | 28 | 9 am | NWb W | - 2 | NWbw | 0 |  |
| ", | 28 | 2 pm | NW | 2 | SW b W | 1 | NE |
| " | 29 | 8-30am | ENE | 2 | ENE | 0 | NE |
| Nov. | 2 | 7-30am | NW | 3 | Nbe | 1 |  |
|  | 3 | 8 am | WNW | 3 | NNE | 1 | NEbN |
| ," | 4 | 9 am | N b W | 2 | NNW | 1 | NW |
| :, | 6 | 10am | N | 2 | NNE | 0 | NE |
| , | 11 | 4 pm | N | 2 | WSW | 2 | WSW |
| " | 17 | Noon | NWbs | 2 | NE b $N$ | 0 | NE |
| " | 17 | 2 pm |  | 3 | NE ${ }^{\text {N }}$ | 0 | NE |
| " | 19 | Noon | NNW | 2 | SW | 1 | SW |
| " | 27 | 8-30am | E | 2 | ENE | 1 | NE |
| Dec. | 1 | 9-15am | E | 3 | EbN | 2 | NE |
| " | 3 | 2am | NW | 3 | Sbe | 3 | S |
| " | 14 | 10am | Wbs | 2 | Nbe | 0 | ${ }_{W}^{\mathrm{NE}}$ |
| ", | 17 | 8-30am | SW | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ |  | 1 | W |
| " | 29 | 9-15am | NWb W | 2 | NWb W | 0 |  |

## Observations of Earth-Magnetism.

Absolute measures of Horizontal Magnetic Force have been made once each month, by the method of Vibration and Deflection.

In these observations the same Magnet has been employed from the beginning of the series in March. 1863. The weight of the Magnet with its stirrup is 825 grains, and its length 3.94 inches nearly. Its moment of inertia, measured by the method of vibrations, with and without a known increase of the moment, is 5.27303 to the English foot-second-grain units, at the temperature $35^{\circ}$ Fahr., and its rate of increase is 000073 for increase of $10^{\circ}$

The temperature corrections have been obtained from the formula $q\left(t^{\circ}-32^{\circ}\right)+q^{\prime}\left(t^{\circ}-33^{\circ}\right) 2$, where $t^{\circ}$ is the observed temperature and $32^{\circ}$ Fahr. the adopted standard temperature. The values of the co-efficient $q$ and $q^{\prime}$ are respectively 0.0001128 and 0.000000436 .

The induction co-efficient $\mu$ is 0.000244 .
The correction for error of graduation of the Deflection bar at 1.0 foot is +0.00004 ft . at $1.3+0.000064 \mathrm{ft}$.

The observed times of vibration are entered in the Table without corrections.

The time of one vibration has been obtained each month from the mean of twelve determinations of the time of 100 vibrations.

The angles of deflection are each the mean of two sets or readings.

In deducing from these observations the ratio and product of the magnetic moment $m$ of the magnet, and the earth's horizontal magnetic intensity X , the induction and temperature corrections have always been applied, and the observed time of vibration has been corrected for the effect of torsion of the suspending thread ; but no correction has been required for the rate of the chronometer, or for the arc of vibration, the former having been always under 1.5 s and the latter never over $50^{\prime}$.

The average deflection of the magnet caused by a twist of the torsion circle through $90^{\circ}$ has been about $12^{\prime} \cdot 2$ of arc.

In the calculations of the ratio $\frac{m}{X}$, the third and subsequent terms of the series $1+\frac{\mathrm{P}}{r_{2}}+\frac{\mathrm{Q}}{r_{4}}+\& c$., have always been omitted.

The value of the constant P was found to be- 0.00055 .
The Vertical and Total Forces are deduced from the measures of the Horizontal Force, and the Angle of Inclination or Dip.

All the computations are in English foot-second-grain units; and in the final table the results are given also in C. G. S units, in parallel columns.

The Dip, or angle between the direction of total force, and that of its horizontal component, has been measured with Barrow's Circle, once each month by two needles, always when possible on the days of vibration and deflection observations.

The Declination has been observed at the beginning of each week, usually on Mondays at 4 p.m and is quoted as the angle between the horizontal direction of force and the Astronomical Meridian, measured from the North Point.

The Differential Instruments, or Photo-Magnetographs, are of the same pattern as those at the Kew Observatory, except that the radial distances between the centres of the magnets and the surfaces of the respective cylinders are shorter, and the clock is not provided with an automatic light-cut-off, for the time scale. The "cut-offs" are made by hand at the hours $0,2,20$, and 22 of the astronomical day, to furnish two time marks at each end of the day's curves, the changes being made between $10-30$ and 11 a.m., civil time.

The scale value of the Bifilar horizontal force torsion balance, has remained very constant at $000051 \mathrm{C} . \mathrm{G}$. S. for one centemetre, during the last five years

The scale value of the Unifilar Declination Magnet is $11^{\prime} \cdot 28$ arc per centimetre.

The corrections for diurnal range, empl oyed in the tables, are taken from the Kew Reports 1891-95.

## OBSERVATIONS OF DECLINATION AND DIP.




## OBSERVATIONS OF VIBRATIONS AND DEFLECTIONS

FOR ABSOLUTE MEASURE OF MAGNETIC FORCE.

| 1896 Month. | $\underset{\text { G. M. T. }}{\text { (Civil Day) }}$ | Temp. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Time } \\ \text { of one } \\ \text { vibration } \end{array}\right\|$ | G. M. T. | Temp. | Observed Deflection at 1.0 ft . at 1.3 ft . | Value of m |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | D. H. M. | - |  | D. H. M. | - | - |  |
| Jan. | $20 \quad 949$ | $42 \cdot 5$ | 5.9854 | $20 \begin{cases}10 & 45 \\ 10 & 44\end{cases}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 42 \cdot 0 \\ & 42 \cdot 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 12 & 2 \cdot 0 \\ 5 & 27 \cdot 0 \end{array}$ | 0.38897 |
| Feb. | $25 \quad 956$ | $34 \cdot 0$ | 59707 | $25\left\{\begin{array}{l}11 \\ 11\end{array} 50\right.$ | 35.0 35.0 | $\begin{array}{rr} 12 & 1 \cdot 1 \\ 5 & 26 \cdot 6 \end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38891$ |
| Mar. | $18 \quad 9 \quad 26$ | $41 \cdot 8$ | 5.9793 | $18\left\{\begin{array}{l}10 \\ 10 \\ 10\end{array} 4\right.$ | $44 \cdot 0$ $44 \cdot 0$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 12 & 0 \cdot 3 \\ 5 & 26 \cdot 3 \end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38874$ |
| Apr. | $15 \quad 107$ | $4.5 \cdot 5$ | 59788 | $15 \begin{cases}10 & 13 \\ 10 & 19\end{cases}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 47 \cdot 6 \\ & 47 \cdot 8 \end{aligned}$ | 1159.2 $5 \quad 25.6$ | 0.38858 |
| May | $\begin{array}{lll}16 & 9 & 18\end{array}$ | $52 \cdot 6$ | 5.9805 | $16\left\{\begin{array}{lll}10 & 14 \\ 10 & 14\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 56.0 \\ & 56.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}11 & 58.7 \\ 5 & 25.0\end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38900$ |
| June | $15 \quad 8 \quad 20$ | $63 \cdot 2$ | 59886 | $15 \begin{cases}9 & 41 \\ 9 & 43\end{cases}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 682 \\ & 68 \cdot 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rr}11 & 58 \cdot 9 \\ 5 & 25 \cdot 1\end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38915$ |
| July | $15 \quad 933$ | 63.0 | ¢ 9864 | $15\left\{\begin{array}{l}10 \\ 10 \\ 10\end{array} 32\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 64 \cdot 0 \\ & 64 \cdot 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11590 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38914$ |
| Aug. | $21 ; 840$ | $51 \cdot 1$ | 5.9839 | $26\left\{\begin{array}{rr}10 & 0 \\ 9 & 58\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 53 \cdot 0 \\ & 53 \cdot 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rr}11 & 59.0 \\ 5 & 25.8\end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38863$ |
| Sept. | $17 \quad 920$ | $59 \cdot 1$ | 59918 | $17 \begin{cases}10 & 14 \\ 10 & 15\end{cases}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 605 \\ & 60 \cdot 9 \end{aligned}$ | 11 5 5 29.6 | $0 \cdot 38880$ |
| Oct. | $17 \quad 10 \quad 57$ | $55 \cdot 3$ | 5.9867 | $17 \begin{cases}1147 \\ 11 & 45\end{cases}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 56.0 \\ & 56.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1158 \cdot 1 \\ 5 \quad 25 \cdot 5 \end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 38851$ |
| Nov. | $17 \quad 920$ | 40.0 | $5 \cdot 9765$ | $17\left\{\begin{array}{l}1033 \\ 10\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 430 \\ & 43 \cdot 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1157 \cdot 0 \\ 5 \quad 248 \end{array}$ | 0.38795 |
| Dec. | $14 \quad 930$ | $39 \cdot 0$ | 5.9844 | $14\left\{\begin{array}{l}1020 \\ 1020\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 39 \cdot 5 \\ & 39 \cdot 7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 11 & 57.9 \\ 5 & 24.8 \end{array}$ | 0.38762 |

## MAGNETIC INTENSITẎ.

| BRITISH UNITS. |  |  |  | C. G. S. UNITS. |  |  |
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| 1896 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Horizon- } \\ \text { tal } \\ \text { force. } \end{gathered}$ | Pertical force. | Total <br> Force. | Horizontal Force. | Vertical Force. | Total Force. |
| Jan. | $3 \cdot 7246$ | $9 \cdot 6974$ | 10.3880 | $0 \cdot 1717$ | 0.4471 | $0 \cdot 4790$ |
| Feb. .. | 3•7324 | $9 \cdot 7161$ | $10 \cdot 4084$ | $0 \cdot 1721$ | 0.4480 | 0.4799 |
| Mar. | $3 \cdot 7302$ | 9•7036 | $10 \cdot 3959$ | $0 \cdot 1720$ | $0 \cdot 4474$ | $0 \cdot 4793$ |
| April .. | 3.7325 | $9 \cdot 7036$ | $10 \cdot 3966$ | $0 \cdot 1721$ | 0.4474 | 0.4794 |
| May . . | 3•7301 | 9.6853 | 103787 | $0 \cdot 1720$ | $0 \cdot 4466$ | $0 \cdot 4785$ |
| June | $3 \cdot 7283$ | $9 \cdot 6864$ | 10.3792 | $0 \cdot 1719$ | $0 \cdot 4466$ | $0 \cdot 4786$ |
| July .. | $3 \cdot 7303$ | $9 \cdot 6857$ | 10.3792 | $0 \cdot 1720$ | $0 \cdot 4466$ | $0 \cdot 4786$ |
| Aug. .. | 3•7301 | $9 \cdot 6973$ | $10 \cdot 3900$ | $0 \cdot 1720$ | $0 \cdot 4471$ | 0.4791 |
| Sept. . . | 3•7249 | 9•6828 | 10.3746 | 0•1718 | 0.4465 | 0.4784 |
| Oct. .. | $3 \cdot 7313$ | $9 \cdot 6882$ | $10 \cdot 3818$ | $0 \cdot 1720$ | 0.4467 | 0.4788 |
| Nov. . . | 3•7397 | 9•7385 | $10 \cdot 4318$ | 0.1724 | 04490 | 0.4810 |
| Dec. .. | 3•7350 | $9 \cdot 7172$ | 104102 | $0 \cdot 1722$ | $0 \cdot 4480$ | $0 \cdot 4800$ |
| Means | 3•7308 | $9 \cdot 7002$ | 10.3929 | $0 \cdot 1720$ | 0.4473 | $0 \cdot 4792$ |




## DATES OF MAGNETIC DISTURBANCES， 1896 ．

The disturbances are divided generally into three classes，small， moderate，and greater；these are indicated by the initial letters of the classes，and the letter c denotes calm．Very great disturbances are marked vg．The days are reckoned astronomically from noon to noon．The asterisk signifies that the record was partly or wholly lost，according as it stands with or without an initial letter．

| Month． | 足 | $\begin{aligned} & 00 \\ & 0 \\ & 010 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 岳 } \\ & \text { 䔍 } \\ & \cline { 1 - 2 } \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{F}{\square}$ | $\stackrel{i}{\text { i }}$ |  | $\frac{\Delta}{\square}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 券 } \\ & \text { 20 } \\ & \underset{\sim}{4} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \stackrel{\circ}{2} \\ \stackrel{y}{0} \\ \stackrel{y}{n} \end{gathered}$ | － | 安 | نٌ |
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|  | S | S | S | S | S | m | S | m | S | m | m | c |
|  | II | S | S | S | S | m | C | m | S | m | m | C |
|  | S | S | S | S | S | S | S | $\mathrm{s}^{*}$ | S | m | S | S |
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|  | S | S | m | S | m | S | S | S | s | $g$ | s＊ | S |
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|  | S | S | S | C | 5 | m | S | c | s | S | S | C |
|  | m | S | C | S | m | S | S | m | vg | c | S | S |
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## APRIL, 1896.

| Results of observations taken during the Month. | Mean for the lest 13 years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer .... inches $\mathbf{3 0 . 0 1 0}$ | 29.942 |
| Highest $\quad, \quad .0$ on the 18th , $30 \cdot 219$ | 30.254 |
| Lowest ,, on the 2nd ,, 29.662 | 29.533 |
| Range of Barometer Readings ........ , 0.557 | 0.721 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 21st 67.2 | 77.0 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 9th 44.6 | $48 \cdot 1$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings.......... 22.6 | 28.9 |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 21st .... $20 \cdot 2$ | $21 \cdot 9$ |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings.......... 63.0 | $67 \cdot 5$ |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings.......... $5 \mathbf{5 1 . 2}$ | $54 \cdot 3$ |
| Mean Daily Range ....................... $11 \cdot 8$ | $13 \cdot 2$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Max. \& Min.) $56 \cdot 1$ | $60 \cdot 0$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 563 | $59 \cdot 7$ |
| Adopted Mean Temperature ............... 56.2 | $59 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation ........ 52.3 | 55:8 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point .......... 48.5 | $52 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour .........inches 0.342 | $0 \cdot 394$ |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub. ft. of air grains $\quad \mathbf{3 . 9}$ | $4 \cdot 4$ |
| Meanadditional weight required for saturation, $\quad 1.2$ | 1.3 |
| Mean degree of Humidity................... . 75 | 78 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air grains 536.3 | 531.4 |
| Fall of Rain .......................inches 3.342 | $0 \cdot 735$ |
| Number of days on which Rain fell ........ 11 | 5 |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky $=10$ ) 6.5 | $4 \cdot 4$ |
| Total number of miles of Wind indicated.... 9430 | 8186 |
| Mean Velocity of Wind per hour .........miles $13 \cdot 1$ | 11.4 |



| JUNE, $\quad$ 8966. | . |
| :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Month | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean for the } \\ \text { last } \\ 13 \text { years. } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer ...... inches $\mathbf{3 0 . 0 2 0}$ | 30.015 |
| Highest $\quad$, on the 12th , 30.095 | $30 \cdot 181$ |
| Lowest $\quad$, on the 28th ,, 29.619 | 29.818 |
| Range of Barometer Readings.............. , , 0.476 | 0.363 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Ther.on the 25th .. 89.5 | $90 \cdot 3$ |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 3rd 56.0 | 588 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .............. 33.5 | 31.5 |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 13th .... $27 \cdot 1$ | $25 \cdot 3$ |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings ............... 82.8 | 804 |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings ............... 66.1 | $64 \cdot 7$ |
| Mean Daily Range..... .. .......................... 16.7 | 157 |
| Mean Temperature(deduced from Max.\& Min.) 73.8 | $71 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 728 | $71 \cdot 1$ |
| Adopted Mean Temperature .................... 73.3 | 71.5 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation ........... $\mathbf{6 8 . 0}$ | 65.9 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point ..............** 64.2 | 61.7 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour ........... inches 0.601 | 0551 |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic ft.ofair grains $\quad 5 \cdot 6$ | 60 |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation, $\quad \mathbf{2 . 3}$ | 2.4 |
| Mean degree of Humidity .................** 78 | 72 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ...... grains 5176 | 519.8 |
| Fall of Rain ..............................inches 0.0 | 0.074 |
| Number of days on which Rain fell............. 0 | 1 |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky $=10$ ) $\quad 3.7$ | 21 |
| Total number of miles of Wind indicated .. 6105. | 6279 |
| Mean Velocity of Wind per hour...... miles 8.5 <br> * Highest Reading yet recorded for June. | 8.8 |


| JULY $\quad$ 896. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Month | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mean for the } \\ \text { last } \\ 13 \text { years. } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer . . . . . inches 30026 | $30 \cdot 007$ |
| Highest , on the 9th ., .30162 | $30 \cdot 146$ |
| Lowest , on the 30th , 29.865 | 29.834 |
| Range of Barometer Readings. . . . . . . , , 0.297 | $0 \cdot 312$ |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 19th 1030 | $97 \cdot 5$ |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 1st 63.3 | $64 \cdot 7$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings . ........ 39.7 | $32 \cdot 8$ |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 10th .... 311 | $26 \cdot 9$ |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings . . . . . . . . 877 | $86 \cdot 9$ |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings . . . . . . . . 69.0 | $69 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean Daily Range . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 18.7 | $17 \cdot 1$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Max. \& Min.) 779 | $77 \cdot 9$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 773 | $77 \cdot 0$ |
| Adopted Mean Temperature .............. 776 | $77 \cdot 5$ |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation .... .. 70.6 | $70 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point .............. 65.6 | $65 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour ...........inches 0.630 | 0.635 |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub.ft. of air grains 6.8 | $6 \cdot 7$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation,, $\quad 3 \cdot 4$ | $3 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean degree of Humidity. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 66 | 67 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air......grains $513 \cdot 2$ | $513 \cdot 4$ |
| Fall of Rain ..... ...........................inches 0 | 0.035 |
| Number of days on which Rain fell ........ 0 | c |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky =10) 1.5 | 0.8 |
| Total number of miles of Wind indicated .... 5244 | 5514 |
| Mean Velocity of Wind per hour. . . . . . . miles $7 \cdot 0$ | $7 \cdot 5$ |


| AUGUST, 1896. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the month. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mean for the } \\ & \text { last } \\ & 13 \text { years. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer .. inches 30.003 | 30.013 |
| Highest , on the 31st ,, $30 \cdot 153$ | 30.164 |
| Lowest ", on the 6th , 29.889 | 29.859 |
| Range of Barometer Readings . . . . . . . , , 0264 | $0 \cdot 305$ |
| Highest Reading of a Max Therm. on the 11th* $104 \cdot 8$ | 96.3 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm, on the 31st $\ddagger \quad 50.4$ | $65 \cdot 7$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .......... $\dagger$ ¢ $45 \cdot 4$ | 30.6 |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 11th . . . . . 24.9 | 26.0 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings . . . . . . . . 86.6 | 87.2 |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings. . . . . . . . 71.0 | 70.8 |
| Mean Daily Range.................. . . . . . . . 15.6 | 16.4 |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Max \& Min) 78.0 | 78. |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 77.4 | 78.2 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature .............. 77.7 | $78 \cdot 2$ |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation ....... $70 \cdot 9$ | 71.4 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point .......... 66.2 | 66.8 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour........ inches 0.644 | 0.656 |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub.ft. of air grains $7 \cdot 0$ | $7 \cdot 0$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation ,, $\quad \mathbf{3 \cdot 2}$ | $3 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean degree of Humidity................... 68 | 68 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air ....grains $512 \cdot 8$ | 512.3 |
| Fall of Rain ...................... inches 0 | $0 \cdot 111$ |
| Number of Days on which rain fell ........ 0 | 1 |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky $=10$ ) $\dagger \quad 2 \cdot 2$ | 1.0 |
| Total number of miles of Wind indicated .... 7008 | 5343 |
| Mean Velocity of Wind per hour...........miles $\mathbf{9 \cdot 4}$ | $7 \cdot 2$ |
| * Absolute Highest Reading of 13 years. <br> $\ddagger$ Lowest Reading for August. <br> $\dagger$ Highest Reading for August. |  |


| SEPTEMBER, 1896. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Month. | Mean for the last 13 years. |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer ...... inches 30010 | 30.067 |
| Highest , on the 16th , $30 \cdot 173$ | $30 \cdot 256$ |
| Lowest , on the 26th , 29627 | 29.857 |
| Range of Barometer Readings .............. , 0.546 | 0.359 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm.on the 5th \& 21st $91 \cdot 1$ | $92 \cdot 8$ |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 29th 606 | $62 \cdot 9$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .............. $30 \cdot 5$ | 29.9 |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 5th ......... $24 \cdot 7$ | $24 \cdot 0$ |
| Mean of all.the Highest Readings ............... 82.7 | 83.5 |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings ............... 68.6 | 68.9 |
| Mean Daily Range .................................. 14.1 | 14.6 |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Max.\& Min.) 74.7 | $75 \cdot 3$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 74.6 | 74.9 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature...... ................ 74.7 | $75 \cdot 1$ |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation.............. 69.7 | 69.3 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point ............... 66.0 | $65 \cdot 6$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour ...........inches 0.639 | 0624 |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub. ft . of airgrains $\quad 6.9$ | 6.7 |
| Mean additional weight required forsaturation, 2.4 | - 2.7 |
| Mean degree of Humidity.. .............. ........ 74. | 72 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air .....grains $515 \cdot 9$ | 516.8 |
| Fall of Rain ..............................inches 0 | 1.085 |
| Number of days on which Rain fell ........... 0 | 4 |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky $=10$ ) $3 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 3$ |
| Total number of miles of Wind indicated . . . 6227 | 5550 |
| Mean Velocity of Wind per hour ......miles 8.6 | $7 \cdot 7$ |



| NOVEMBER, 1896. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Results of Observations taken during the Month. | Mean for the last 13 years |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer........ inches*29.956 | 30.076 |
| Highest $\quad$, on the 6th ,, $30 \cdot 191$ | 30325 |
| Lowest $\quad$, on the 16th , 29.603 | 29714 |
| Range of Barometer Readings ................. 0.588 | 0611 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 1st $\dagger 83.0$ | 76.7 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm.on the 23rd... 49.4 | $50 \cdot 1$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .............. $33 \cdot 6$ | 26.6 |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 11th and $23 \mathrm{rd} * 14.8$ | $18 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings.............. 69.2 | 689 |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings............... 58.8 | 57.7 |
| Mean Daily Range ................................... 10.4 | $11 \cdot 2$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Max. \& Min.) 62.9 | $62 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 62.5 | $61 \cdot 8$ |
| Adopted Mean Temperature .................... 62.7 | $62 \cdot 1$ |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation.............. 58.3 | $57 \cdot 6$ |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point............... 55.2 | $54 \cdot 2$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour ...........inches 0.436 | $0 \cdot 420$ |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub.ft.of air grains 4.8 | $4 \cdot 8$ |
| Mean additional weight required forsaturation, 1.3 | $1 \cdot 3$ |
| Mean degree of Humidity . . . . . . . . . . . . 79 | 79 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air......grains $529 \cdot 1$ | 531.9 |
| Fall of Rain ...............................inches 5115 | $3 \cdot 293$ |
| Number of days on which Rain fell........... $\dagger 14 \cdot 0$ | 10 |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky=10) $\dagger \quad 7 \cdot 1$ | $5 \cdot 2$ |
| Total number of miles of Wind indicated ... 7767 | 6638 |
| Mean Velocity of Wind per hour......miles 10.8 | $9 \cdot 2$ |
| * Lowest. <br> $\dagger$ Highest yet recorded for November. |  |

## DECEMBER, 1896.

| Results of Observations taken during the Month. | Mean for the <br> 18 lastjears. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Mean Reading of the Barometer . . . inghes 29.970 | 30.041 |
| Highest $\quad$, on the 9th $\mathbf{3 0 . 3 3 3}$ | 30.384 |
| Lowest $\quad$, on the 21st 29.499 | 29.580 |
| Range of Barometer Readings . . . . . . . . . . 0.834 | 0.804 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 7th 68.6 | $68 \cdot 7$ |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Ther. on the 2nd .... 43.6 | $43 \cdot 7$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings .......... 25.0 | 25.0 |
| Greatest Range in 24 hours on the 2nd ......... 19.9 | $17 \cdot 4$ |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings . . . . . . . . . 62.3 | 61.8 |
| Mean of all the Lowest Readings . . . . . . . . . . 52.3 | $52 \cdot 3$ |
| Mean Daily Range ......................... 100 | $9 \cdot 5$ |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Max \& Min) 56.8 | 56.4 |
| Mean Temperature (deduced from Dry Bulb) 56.2 | 56.1 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 56.5 | 56.3 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation.......... . $5 \mathbf{5 2 . 6}$ | 51.9 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point .......... 50.1 | $48 \cdot 6$ |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour ...... inches 0.362 | 0342 |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cub. ft. of air grains $\quad \mathbf{4 . 0}$ | $3 \cdot 9$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation, , 0.9 | $1 \cdot 1$ |
| Mean degree of Humidity . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 82 | 79 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air .... grains 536.5 | 538.4 |
| Fall of Rain ......................... . inches 3.989 | 4.209 |
| Number of days on which Rain fell ........ 11 | 15 |
| Mean amount of Cloud (an overcast sky=10) 6.8 | $5 \cdot 7$ |
| Total number of miles of wind indicated ...... 8506 | 8269 |
| Mean Velocity of ind per hour ... ...........miles 11.4 | $11 \cdot 2$ |
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The Maximum yearly mean height of the Barometer was in 1884, and was ..... inches 30.057
The Minimum ,, ,, in 1890, and was ..... $29 \cdot 996$
The greatest monthly range of the Barometer was in January, 1886, and was ..... $1 \cdot 201$
The least ,, ,, in August, 1883, and was ..... 0.188
The highest reading of the Barometer was on January 26th, 1887, and was ..... $30 \cdot 627$
'The lowest ,, ,, on January 17th, 1886, and was ..... $29 \cdot 155$
Extreme range ..... $1 \cdot 472$
The highest temperature was on August 11th, 1896,and was.. ..... $104 \cdot 8$
The lowest ", ,, February 19th, 1890 ..... $34 \cdot 2$
The highest mean temperature of a month, was in August, 18 m and was ..... $83 \cdot 2$
The lowest ," ,, ," February, 1891, ..... $49 \cdot 8$
$\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { The greatest monthly meán weight of vapour } \\ \text { in a cubic foot of air ................. }\end{array}\right\}$ August, 1885 ..... 7.9
The least ", , January and February, 1891, and was grs ..... 30
The highest observed Dew point was on August 30th, 1885, and was ..... $78 \cdot 7$
The lowest ", ," $\because$ February 19th, 1895, and was ..... 27.9
The greatest fall of rain in a month, was in December, 1889, and was inches ..... 8952
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { The greatest number of days on which } \\ \text { rain fell in one month ....... .. }\end{array}\right\}$ January, 1889 ..... 24
The greatest fall of rain in a year was in 1889 and was inches ..... $26 \cdot 044$
The smallest ,, ,, 1895 ..... 11384
The greatest number of rainy daysin a year wasin 1894 and was ..... 90
The least 1888 ..... 59
The highest temperature registered in sunshine was on the 5th July, 1895, and was ..... 159.0
The lowest temperature registered on ground was on the 19th February, 1895, and was ..... $31 \cdot 7$
The highest observed sea temperature was on the 5th August, 1887, and was ..... $85 \cdot 0$
The lowest ,, ,, 30th January, 1895, and was ..... 55.5
The smallest mean amount of cloud observed in one month was in August, 1890. and was ..... 00
The greatest in January, 1894, and was ..... $7 \cdot 2$

## NOTES FOR THE SEPARATE MONTHS.

## January.

The Dew point ranged between $54.9^{\circ}$ on the 1 st, and $32 \cdot 2^{\circ}$ on the 8th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $114.4^{\circ}$ on the 5 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $33.0^{\circ}$ on the 21st.
The Sea has fallen to $58 \cdot 0^{\circ}$, averaging $59.6^{\circ}$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 25th and 26th.
Hail fell on the 7th. 8th, and 25th.
Total Rainfall since last June 10.027 inches ; the average of 13 years, $15 \cdot 250$ inches.

## February.

The Dew-Point ranged between $\mathbf{3 5} \cdot 3^{\circ}$ on the 17 th and $56.9^{\circ}$ on the 24 th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $119 \cdot 1^{\circ}$ on the 15 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $33 \cdot 2^{\circ}$ on the 18 th.
The Sea has risen to $59 \cdot 8$, averaging 59.5 .
Thunderstorms passed on the 24th.
Hail fell on the 16 th and 17 th.
Total Rainfall since last June, 11.934 inches ; the average of 13 years, $17 \cdot 413$ inches.

## March.

The Dew-point ranged between $56.3^{\circ}$ on the 24 th, and $42.0^{\circ}$ on the 30th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $132 \cdot 3^{\circ}$ on the 2nd.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $40.0^{\circ}$ on the 13th.
The Sea has averaged $590^{\circ}$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 3rd.
Lightning was seen on the 30th.
Total Rainfall since last June 12.960 inches; the average of 13 years, $18 \cdot 453$ inches.

## April.

The Dew-point ranged between $40 \cdot 4^{\circ}$ on the 14 th, and $56.5^{\circ}$ on the 23 rd .

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $134 \cdot 7^{\circ}$ on the 30 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $37 \cdot 2^{\circ}$ on the 4th.
The Sea has averaged $60.0^{\circ}$
Thunderstorms passed on the 8th, 10th, and 28th.
Lightning was seen on the 4th and 6th.
Hail fell on the 8th.
Total Rainfall since last June 16.302 inches; the average of 13 years, 19 -188 inches.
Mean temperature for the month, highest reading of Max. Ther., and lowest reading of Min. Ther. are the lowest yet recorded for April ; whilst total rainfall and mean amount of cloud give notably the highest readings.

> May.

The Dew-point ranged between $47.3^{\circ}$ on the 2nd and $60.8^{\circ}$ on the 29th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $129 \cdot 7^{\circ}$ on the 22nd
On Ground, the lowest reading was $44 \cdot 8^{\circ}$ on the 3rd.
The Sea has risen to $67 \cdot 0^{\circ}$, averaging $63 \cdot 2^{\circ}$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 12th.
Lightning was seen on the 23rd.
Total Rainfall since last June 17.323 inches ; the average of 18 years, 19.825 inches.

June.
The Dew-point ranged between $50.2^{\circ}$ on the 11 th and $678^{\circ}$ on the 27 th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $1466^{\circ}$ on the 28 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $50 \cdot 0^{\circ}$ on the 3 rd and 8 th.
The Sea has risen to $71 \cdot 5^{\circ}$, averaging $68 \cdot 3^{\circ}$.
Lightning was seen on the 1st and 16 th.
Total Rainfall since last June 17.323 inches; the average of 13 years 19.899 inches.

July.
The Dew-point ranged between $55^{\circ} \cdot 8^{\circ}$ on the 4 th, and $73.9^{\circ}$ on the 16 th .

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $150.7^{\circ}$ on the 19th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $58.1^{\circ}$ on the 10th.
The Sea has risen to $80.0^{\circ}$, averaging 77.3 .
Thunderstorms passed on the 13th.
Lightning was seen on the 21st.

## August.

The Dew-point ranged between $76.0^{\circ}$ on the 6 th, and $53 \cdot 3^{\circ}$ on the 29th.

In Sunshine the highest reading was $1520^{\circ}$ on the 11th.
On Ground the lowest reading was $5 \mathbf{2} 9$ on the 31st.
The Sea has fallen to $76 \cdot 2^{\circ}$, averaging $79 \cdot 0^{\circ}$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 28th.

September.
The Dew-point ranged between $74 .{ }^{\circ} 1$ on the 10 th, and $53.5^{\circ}$ on the 26 th .

In Sunshine the highest reading was $1437^{\circ}$ on the 10 th.
On Ground. the lowest reading was $553^{\circ}$ on the 29th
The Sea has fallen to $74 \cdot 6^{\circ}$, averaging $77: 0^{\circ}$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 14th.

Lightning was seen on the 17 th and 18 th.
Total Rainfall since last June - inches; the average of 13 years, $1 \cdot 231$ inches.

## October.

The Dew-Point ranged between $71 \cdot 6^{\circ}$ on the 14 th and $47 \cdot 3^{\circ}$ on the 16 th .

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $134.8^{\circ}$ on the 12 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $50.3^{\circ}$ on the 27 th.
The Sea has fallen to $72.0^{\circ}$, averaging $73 \cdot 5$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 1 st , $2 \mathrm{nd}, 3 \mathrm{rd}$, and 5 th.
Lightning was seen on the 4 th, 12 th, 13 th, 24 th, and 25 th.
Hail fell on the 3rd.
Total Rainfall since last June $2 \cdot 502$ inches; the average of 13 years, 4.018 inches.

November.
The Dew-point ranged between $68^{\circ} 5$ on the 6 th, and $44 \cdot 1^{\circ}$ on the 30th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $124.7^{\circ}$ on the 16 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $44.4^{\circ}$ on the 23 rd .
The Sea has fallen to $65 \cdot 5^{\circ}$, averaging $69.8^{\circ}$.
Thunderstorms passed on the 16 th, 24 th, 25 th.
Lightning was seen on the 1st, 6 th, 9 th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 17 th, 22nd, 23rd, 29th.

Hail fell on the 16th, 26th.
Total Rainfall since last June 7.617 inches; the average of 13 years, $7 \cdot 311$ inches

## December.

The Dew-point ranged between $40 \cdot 1^{\circ}$ on the 1st, and $581^{\circ}$ on the 20th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $117 \cdot 2^{\circ}$ on the 7 th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $38.0^{\circ}$ on the 2 nd.
The Sea has fallen to $59.5^{\circ}$, averaging 62.5 .
Thunderstorms passed on the 20th.
Hail fell on the 20th.
Total Rainfall since last June, 11.604 inches; the average of 13 years, 11.520 inches.

## NOTES FOR THE YEAR.

The Dew-point ranged between $32 \cdot 2^{\circ}$ on January 8th, and $76.0^{\circ}$ on August 6th.

In Sunshine, the highest reading was $152.0^{\circ}$ on August 11th.
On Ground, the lowest reading was $33.0^{\circ}$ on January 21st.
The Sea has ranged from $58 \cdot 0^{\circ}$ on January 30th, to $81 \cdot 8^{\circ}$ on August 5th.

Thunderstorms passed on 19 days.
Lightning was seen on 23 days.
Hail fell on 10 days.

## CORRIGENDUM.

In the Summary for 1895, the lowest mean temperature of a month was given "February 1891, and was $49 \cdot 5^{\circ}$," should be $498^{\circ}$.

