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Lat. 53.º 50' 40" N. Long. 9th 52s.68. w. Height of the Barometer.

above the sea, 381 ft.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

For January, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.394 |
| Highest ,, on the 12th29.622 | 29.980 |
| Lowest ,, on the 24th28.008 | 28.532 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1.614 | 1.448 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 30th 56.2 | 51.3 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 9th 29.2 | 20.9 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings | 30.4 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 45.0 | 42.0 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | 32.7 |
| Mean Daily Range | 9.3 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. 40.7 and Min.) | 37.2 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb 40.3 | 37.2 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature | 37.2 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation | 35.8 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point | 33.8 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour | 0.196in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 2.6gr | 2.3ør |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0:4or | 0.401 |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1:00) | 0.88 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air | 548.9ar |
| Fall of Rain | 4:056in |
| Number of days on which Bain fell | |
| Amount of Evaporation 1.256 | 0.794 |

| No. of days in the month on | N | NE | Е | SE | s | sw | w | NW | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| which the prevail | ing wind was | 0 | 2 | $\boxed{2}$ | 1 | 12 | 9 | 2 | 3 |
| Mean Velocity in | miles per hour | 0 | 4.2 | 11 .8 | 14 .2 | 17 .6 | 13 .0 | 11 •4 | 4.1 |
| Total No. of m Direction | iles for ea ch | 0 | 215 | 567 | 349 | 5059 | 2808 | 546 | 296 |
| The total num | ber of miles re | gistered | l duri | ing th | e mo | nth v | was 9 | 840. | q |
| by W. on the 17th | h, at 11 p.m. | was 4 | , 1111 | es pe | 1 1101 | .u ; | une | CUIOII | 5. |
| Mean amount of (| loud, (an over | rcast sk | y bei | ng in | dicat | ed by | y 10 (|)) 8 | 3.4 |
| In the month of J during 25 ye | January, the h ars, was on the | ighest 1 2 Sth, ir | eadii 1859 | ng of), and | the H was | Baron | ieter | 3 0 · 3 | 810 |
| The lowest | ,, | ,, | 15t | h, 18(| 5. | | | 27 9 | 39 |
| The highest Temp | perature | ,, | 30t | h, 18 | 72 | | | 5 | 3·2 |
| The lowest | ,, | ,, | 13tl | n, 18(| 57 | | | • • | 9 ·2 |
| The highest adopt the month | sted mean ten | nperatu | re of | { 186 | 39 . | | | 4 | 1.3 |
| The lowest | ,, | ,, | | 187 | 1. | ••••• | • • • • • • • | 3 |)•0 . |
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There was a distant Thunder storm on the 3rd. Snow fell on the 5th and 8th, and Hail on the 7th and 8th. The 12th and 21st were foggy. A Lunar Halo was seen on the 19th at 7 p.m.; it was 48° in diameter.

Several slight but very rapid falls of temperature have taken place during the month.

The barometer readings on the 18th and 24th are some of the lowest we have had for years.

The storm on the 17th and 18th was very violent. It commenced shortly before midnight on the 16th with a S. wind, which changed to SSW. at 2 p.m. on the 17th, and to SW. or WSW. at 3 a.m. on the 18th, where it remained until 4 p.m. During the 40 hours that the high winds lasted, 1300 miles were registered by the Anemometer. The maximum speed of the wind was very slightly under 50 miles an hour, and the max. was attained at 11 p.m. on the 17th.

The calm that shortly followed was also remarkable, as the Ancmometer registered only 60 miles during the 40 hours from 3 p.m. on the 19th to 7 a.m. on the 21st. The month was free from magnetic disturbances of any great extent.

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For February, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years |
|---|----------------------------|
| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.485 |
| Highest ,, on the 27th29 750 | 30.095 |
| Lowest ,, on the 1st28.957 | 28.677 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 0.783 | 1.415 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 10th 55.1 | 51·3 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 21st 34.7 | 23 2 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings 20.4 | 28 i |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 48.5 | 44 ·1 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | 34 0 |
| Mean Daily Range | 10.1 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max.) 43.8 and Min.) | 3 8·7 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb 43.0 | 38.7 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature 43.4 | 38.7 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 41.9 | 36.7 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 40.1 | 34.9 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.249in | n Q.201in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 2.8g | r 2.4gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.4g | r 0.4gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.88 | 0.87 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 539.4g | r 548-2gr |
| Fall of Rain 4.578i | n <u>3.913in</u> |
| Number of days on which Rain fell 27 | 18.0 |
| Amount of Evaporation 1 221 | 0.901 |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|---------|-----------|-------|-------------|
| No. of days in the month | the month on | N | NE | E | SE | s | sw | w | NW |
| which the preva | iling wind was | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 0 |
| Mean Velocity in | n miles per hour | 2.6 | 9·6 | 10 .6 | 10.6 | 14 · 0 | 10 •7 | 9.2 | 0 |
| Total No. of 1 Direction | miles for each | 62 | 231 | 1277 | 1018 | 2417 | 2319 | 440 | 0 |
| The total nur | mber of miles reg | istered | duri | ng th | e mo | nth v | vas 7 | 764. | |
| The max. Veloci on the 1st, from | ity of the wind 16 to 8 a.m. | was 38 | 3 mil | es pe | r hou | ır; | dire | ction | s. |
| Mean amount of | Cloud, (an over | cast sk | y bei | ng in | licat | ed by | y 10·0 |)) 8 | 3.2 |
| In the month of during 25 ye | February, the history, was on the 1 | ighest 1 th, i n | readi 1849 | ng of , and | the l was | Baror | neter | 30.4 | 52 |
| The lowest | ,, | , | Gtl | , 1, 186 | 7 | | | 28·2 | 208 |
| The highest Tem | perature , | , | 5tl | i, 18(| i9 | | . | 57 | 7.5 |
| The lowest | ,, ,, | , | lst | , 185 | 5 | | | . 10 |).1 |
| The highest add the month . | pted mean tem | peratu | re of | 186 | 9 | ••• ••• | | 44 | 1 ∙0 |
| The lowest | , , | , | | 185 | 5 | | | 28 | 3°6 |
| | | -0 | | - | | | | | |

The readings of the Barometer are taken from Barrow's Standard, and have been corrected and reduced to the temperature of 32°, but not to Sea level. The max, and min, temperatures are obtained from the patent instruments of Negretti and Zambra, and the other temperatures from the hygrometer by the same Opticians. These instruments have all been compared by MR. GLAISHER with those at Greenwich. Both the direction and velocity of the wind are given by a self-registering Anenometer, by Beck. The Hygrometrical results have been calculated from Glaisher's tables, 2nd Edition.

Hail fell on the 8th. A Lunar Halo was seen at 8 p.m. on the 23rd; diameter 46° .

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Clouds prevented the Aurora of the 4th being observed during the latter part of the display. The first notice of its approach was given by the self-recording magnets, which were observed to be in a very disturbed state at 4-30 p.m. About the same time a band of cirrocumulus cloud was seen extending across the heavens in the direction of the magnetic meridian.

At 6-25 the sky was very red in the S.W., and five minutes later a number of red and green streamers stretched from the S.E. horizon to the Zenith.

6-40 a narrow greenish streamer appeared a little above Leo Minor, and gradually increasing in length finally reached ι Aurigæ. Two minutes later a bright red streamer rose from the S., and joined the former near ι Aurige, when suddenly the whole space between the two streamers was filled with a number of rays of various tints, bright crimson, rose colour, orange, light green, and white predominating. This lasted only two minutes.

6-45 the N. was almost free from Auroral light.

6-48 the S.E. was covered with small cirro-cumulus clouds, and in colour bore a striking resemblance to the hue of the western sky at sun-set on a fine evening. Green auroral light in the S.

6-55 Streamers radiated in every direction from ι Aurigæ, reaching the horizon in the S.S.E. and S.W., but stretching scarcely half so far in the N.

7-7 the whole sky, with the exception of a small portion of Taurus was covered with streamers.

7-10 A pale greenish light covered the whole heavens.

7-14 A red band was formed extending from the S.W. horizon to the Zenith, and 3 minutes later a brilliant arch was completed by a N.E. streamer.

7-20 The arch was replaced by dull streamers from a radiating point in Taurus.

7-29 A large and very brilliant star was formed near the left foot of Aurigæ by a number of red, pink, and white rays, all curved and of unequal lengths; one of the short rays was nearly a semi-circle.

Previous to this, the spectrum given by a five prism direct vision Spectroscope consisted of the strong green line, with occasional faint glimpses of two more refrangible lines, and a red line not always clearly discernible. But when the instrument was turned towards the most brilliant of the curved rays forming the star in Aurigæ, the red line stood out stronger perhaps even than the green.

7-35 A few red streamers in the N., and an arch of red light from Ursa to S. of Cassiopea.

7-46 An orange coloured band from the N.N.E. horizon to between α and β Aurigæ.

7-50 A few green rays shot out from β Aurigae towards the S.W. and N.E.

7-55 Streamers from β Aurigæ through Polaris. E. very red.

8-0 Bright red clouds about 45° above the S.W. horizon. Sky nearly overcast.

8-27 Drizzle. Red glare through the clouds.

11-0 Sky only half covered. No auroral light.

During this display of the Aurora the magnetic curves had to be supplemented by scale readings, since the movements of the magnets were too extended to be registered on the cylinders. The magnetic storm began shortly after 2 p.m., with an increase of both components of the intensity. From 4 to 11 the storm was at its height, and during the whole of this time the oscillations of all the magnets were very extended. The character of the disturbance then completely changed, and the long oscillations gave place on all the curves to a succession of short and rapid vibrations.

It is rare that the three magnetic curves present such a striking similarity in their simultaneous movements. The most rapid variation of the Declination needle was between 8h 30m and 8h 53m, during which time the needle movel 1° 23' 34" from N. towards W. At the same time the Vertical Force magnet was thrown off its balance; but the Horizontal Force magnet was comparatively quiet between 8-30 and 9 p.m., its greatest disturbance occurring 4 hours earlier, when the movement was so rapid as to leave on the sensitive paper only the thinnest possible trace of its long sweep of 4.050 inches. Between 4h 38m and 5h 5m the H.F. disminished by the great amount of 0.1260, its whole mean value for 1871 being only 3.6269. Its immediate increase was as rapid as its decrease.

The H.F. vibrations gradually diminished in amplitude from 10^{h} 30^{m} p.m. to 7 a.m., when the magnet returned to its normal condition; but the Declination magnet continued in an agitated state until after 10 a.m.

Besides this storm of the 4th there was a slight disturbance of the Declination from 8 to 12 p.m. on the 15th, and a somewhat greater perturbation from midnight to 1 p.m. on the 20th.

There was also a considerable similarity in the Declination curves of the 26th, 27th, and 28th, the chief disturbance beginning at 6 p.m. on the 26th, at about 7 p.m. on the 27th, and still later on the 28th.

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For March, 1872.

| Results of Observ. | ations taken during the month. | | Mean for the last 25 Years, |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mean Reading of the B | arometer | 29 ·310 | 29.449 |
| Highest , | on the 10th | .29.862 | 30.020 |
| Lowest | on the 28th | .28.667 | 28.692 |
| Range of Barometer Re | adings | 1.195 | 1.378 |
| Highest Reading of a Ma | x. Therm. on the 6th | . 60.0 | 56·5 |
| Lowest Reading of a Mi | n. Therm. on the 25th | 22.4 | 23.5 |
| Range of Thermometer | Readings | . 37.6 | 33.0 |
| Mean of all the Highes | t Readings | 50.1 | -40·8 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | | 38.6 | 34·5 |
| Mean Daily Range | | . 11.5 | 12.3 |
| Deduced Monthly Mea and Min.) | an (from Mean of Max. | 43.4 | 39.7 |
| Mean Temperature from | n dry bulb | . 43.5 | 39.9 |
| Adopted Mean Temper | ature | . 43.5 | 39·8 |
| Mean Temperature of E | vaporation | . 41.6 | 37 9 |
| Mean Temperature of I | Dew Point | 39.4 | 35.5 |
| Mean elastic force of Va | apour | 0·242in | 0 [.] 209in |
| Mean weight of Vapour | in a cubic foot of air | 2.8gr | 2.4gr |
| Mean additional weight | required for saturation | 0.2ar | 0.5gr |
| Mean degree of Humidi | tv. (saturation 1:00) | 0.85 | 0.85 |
| Mean weight of a cubic | foot of air | 539.5ar | 5:463or |
| Fall of Rain | | 4.753in | -2-998in |
| Number of days on whi | ch Rain fell | - 1,0011 - 98 | 17.9 |
| Amount of Evaporation | | · 20 | 1.796 |
| Permit | ···· | ~ 001 | U L (40 |

| No. of days in the month on | N | NE | E | SE | 8 | sw | w | NW |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| which the prevailing wind was | 1 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 1 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 12.5 | 9·2 | 9·0 | 12.2 | 11.3 | 9.5 | 11 · 4 | 5.2 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 300 | 1331 | 216 | 584 | 2449 | 1142 | 1642 | 131 |
| The total number of miles regis | stered | duri | ng tl | ie mo | nth v | vas 7 | 795. | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind w by N. on the 18th, at 5 p.m. | as 41 | mil | es per | r hou | ır. I | Direc | tion ' | W. |
| Mean amount of Cloud, (an overca | st sk | y bei | ng in | dicat | ed by | 7 10.0 | 0) 7 | 7·2 |
| In the month of March, the hig during 25 years, was on the 6t | hest : h, in | readiı 1852, | ng of and | the l was | Baron | neter | 30·4 | -01 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | 31s | t, 186 | i0 | . | | 28.1 | .99 |
| The highest Temperature ,, | | 25tl | ı, 187 | 71 | • • • • • • • | | 68 | 8·0 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | 4th | , 186 | 6 | ••••• | | 14 | 1 ∙5 |
| The highest adopted mean temp the month | eratu: | re of | { 187 | 1 | | . . | 44 | 1 ∙0 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | | 185 | 5 | ••••• | ••••• | 35 | 5.6 |

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This month has been remarkable for the constancy of the haze and rainfall, and for the low mean reading of the Barometer. Mist prevailed from the 1st to the 7th, and also on the 11th, 15th, 16th, and 27th.

The rainfall was 1.828 inch above the average for March; the mean for the last 24 years being less than three inches. The reading of the Barometer for the month was 0.248 less than that for last March, and 0.159 below the mean for 25 years. Snow fell every day from the 20th to the 25th, both included.

There was hail on the 25th and 26th; and thunder and lightning between six and nine p.m. on the 30th. A lunar halo was observed on the 19th at ten p.m., its diameter measured 45°. With the exception of a few irregular movements between seven p.m. on the 1st and the evening of the 2nd, and from the 7th to the morning of the 9th, the self-recording magnets were very quiet previous to the 19th, but during the remainder of the month there were a succession of disturbances, but none of any great violence.

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For April, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29 · 4 90 |
| Highest , on the 6th30.042 | 29.959 |
| Lowest ,, on the 22nd28.776 | 28.792 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1.266 | 1.167 |
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| Adopted Mean Temperature | 44.7 |
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| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 2.8gr | 2·8gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.7gr | 0.7gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.80 | 0.80 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 540.7gr | 541 ·8gr |
| Fall of Rain 3.675in | 2.501in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell 20 | 15.0 |
| Amount of Evaporation 2.223 | 2.820 |

| No. of days in the m | onth on | N | NE | Е | SE | s | SW | w | NW |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| which the prevailing w | ind was | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 10 | 3 |
| Mean Velocity in miles | per hour | 8.0 | 13.4 | 10.0 | 8·3 | 11.1 | 6.6 | 11.1 | 18.7 |
| Total No. of miles f Direction | or each | 192 | 1282 | 718 | 396 | 534 | 794 | 2672 | 1344 |
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| The total number of The max. Velocity of t on the Sth, at 7 a.m. | miles reginated the wind w | stered vas 34 | l duri E mile | ng th es pei | e mo r hou | nth v ir. 1 | vas 7 Direc | 932. tion \ | W. |
| The total number of The max. Velocity of t on the 8th, at 7 a.m. Mean amount of Cloud, | miles reginates in the mind wind wind wind wind wind with the second sec | stered vas 34 ast sk | i duri i mile y bei | ng tn es pei ng in | e mo r hou dicat | nth v ir. 1 ied by | vas 7 Direc y 104 | 932. tion 7 0) (| ₩. ;-4 |
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The rainfall is far above the average for April. Snow fell on the 2nd, 4th, and 21st; and hail on the 4th, 18th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, and 26th. There were thunderstorms on the 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 26th. A lunar halo 44° in diameter was seen at 10-30 p.m. on the 15th. The Cuckoo was first heard on the 26th.

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Auroras were observed on the 3rd, 10th, and 15th.

That on the 3rd was slight, and unaccompanied by any magnetic disturbance; it was visible at 8-30 p.m.

On the 10th the display lasted from 7-30 p.m. until after midnight. At 7-30 a band of light extended from the N.W. horizon to the zenith, but the sunlight being strong at the time, and the band near the setting sun, the nature of the light could not be accurately determined.

At 8-10 p.m. a strong auroral light due N., and a small white cloud near the zenith.

8.35 the green auroral line was strongest in the spectroscope when pointed a few degrees above the N. horizon, and could be traced upwards to the zenith, and near the horizon from E. to W.S.W., whilst the unassisted eye could only detect the light near the N. horizon.

8-45. An arch of pale-green light 6° or 7° in breadth extended from Lyra to Orion. The top of the arch was a little above Cassiopea.

8-50. Three magnificent streamers burst forth E. of Cassiopea, and reached as far as the head of Draco. These were at first of a pale green colour, but changed in a few seconds into a deep green, the upper extremities turning red. They were visible for about 30³ or 40³, and were followed by waves and flashes of light, which succeeded each other with great rapidity, passing from the horizon to near the zenith.

9-5. The wavy motion ceased, and within two minutes the whole N. sky was covered with innumerable green and black streamers, the former extending to the zenith, the latter reaching a maximum height of 45°. Then the waves again returned, the E. and W. assumed a reddish hue, and a red band stretched from the N. horizon through Polaris to near β Ursay. N.E. three green bands.

9-19. The light of the arch became stronger. The streamers vanished. A few puffs of light passed across the sky. The light in the N. and a few pale streamers were all that could be seen of the Aurora for more than an hour, but at 11-10 there was a second display of green and black streamers reaching 60° above the horizon from Cygnus in the E. to Gemini in the W.

11-15. A broad pale green streamer from N. horizon to Ursa Major.

11-30. Another broad band from N. horizon to Zenith, and a small white cloud in Cepheus. A few waves from N.

11-45. A small streamer in the N.; auroral light gradually disappearing.

12-30. A fresh outburst of the Aurora.

The magnets were not greatly disturbed during this aurora, the principal movement being that of the V.F., and consisted of one long and more or less regular sweep from its maximum at S p.m. to its minimum at about 2.40 a.m. The magnets did not return to their normal state before 6.30 p.m. on the 11th. The Aurora on the 15th was first observed at 8-2 p.m., when a yellow band was seen due N., and a red streamer from the N.E. horizon through Cygnus.

8-4. An arch of yellow light extended from a point 10° N. of (ygnus to the Pleiades, the top of the arch passing just beneath Cassiopea.

8-35. The space between Hercules and Taurus, from the horizon to the Zenith, was completely filled with yellow and red streamers.

8-45. A broad yellow band in the N. intersected the arch which had increased in brilliancy. Alternate yellow and black streaks N. and N.W., and several red streamers from N.E. horizon through Cygnus to a little S. of Ursa Major. This only lasted three or four minutes. The arch then faded away gradually.

9-30. Only a slight auroral light N.N.E.

The moon light was strong during this aurora, and there was a marked absence of more than a faint trace of the usual greenish light. The magnetic storm which accompanied this aurora commenced before three a.m. on the 15th, and lasted for more than two days. It was principally felt by the Declination and V.F. magnets, the movements being very similar on the 15th and 16th. The irregular movements on the 17th and 18th were also numerous, but the magnets then remained steady until the end of the month.

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above the sea, 381 ft.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

For May, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29 ·518 |
| Highest , on the 1st29.931 | 29 [.] 937 |
| Lowest , on the 7th28.800 | 28.967 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1.131 | 0.920 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 1st 67.0 | 72.8 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 18th 32.7 | 31.6 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings | 41.2 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 56.7 | 59.8 |
| Mean of all the Lowest 42.1 | 42.5 |
| Mean Daily Range 14.6 | 17.3 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. 47.7 and Min.) | 49.2 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb | 49.9 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature | 49.7 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 45.0 | 46.4 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 41.9 | 42.9 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour | 0.278in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 3.0gr | 3-2gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.7g | 0.9gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.81 | 0.75 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air | 536.5gr |
| Fall of Rain 3.202in | 2.430in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell. 28 | 14.9 |
| Amount of Evaporation 3:581 | 3.848 |

| No. of days in the month on | N | NE | Е | SE | s | sw | w | NW | |
|------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|--------|----------|
| which the preve | uiling wind was | 2 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 18 | 0 |
| Mean Velocity i | n miles per hour | 7.5 | 9.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13.6 | 9.0 | 0 |
| Total No. of Direction | miles for each | 362 | 1513 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1304 | 3898 | 0 |
| The total nu | mber of miles reg | istered | duri | ng tl | ie me | mth | was 7 | 077. | <u> </u> |
| The max. Veloc on the 4th, at 1 | ity of the wind v 1 a.m. | was 30 | miles | per | hour. | D | irectio | on 8.7 | W. |
| Mean amount of | f Cloud, (an over | east sk | y bei | ng in | licat | ed b | y 10. |) (| 7.9 |
| In the month of during 25 ye | of May, the high ears, was on the 2 | iest rea 2nd, ir | ading 1855 | of this, and | he Ba l was | irom | eter | 30.1 | 24 |
| The lowest | ,, , | , | ls | t, 188 | 58. | • • • • • • | | 28.5 | 664 |
| The highest Ten | nperature , | , | 19th | , 1 S | 34 . | • • • • • • | . | 8 | 2.5 |
| The lowest | ,, ,, | , | 4th | , 188 | 5.5 | | | 23 | 3.2 |
| The highest ad the month | opted mean tem | peratu: | re of | } { 184 | 48 . | •••• | ••••••• | 5 | 5·1 · |
| The lowest | > > > > : | , | | 185 | 55 | ••••• | • • • • • • • • | 43 | 5.0 |
| | | 0 | | _ | | | | | |

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The fall of rain for the month was not very much in excess of the average for May, but the number of days on which rain fell was nearly double the mean for the last five and twenty years. The mean temperature was also low.

There was a thunderstorm at nine p.m. on the 9th, and thunder was heard on the 15th.

Hail fell on the 6th, 11th, 21st, and 31st.

Slight snow on the 18th and 19th.

A Lunar Rainbow was seen at 11 p.m. on the 22nd during the partial eclipse of the moon, Only a small portion of the arc was visible, attaining an altitude of about 20° above the E horizon. The red, orange, and blue of the arc were very distinct for a quarter of an hour, when heavy clouds completely covered the sky. The change of colour during the eclipse was very marked both on the sky and on the landscape.

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above the sea, 381 ft.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

For June, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.527 |
| Highest ,, on the 16th29.835 | 29 ·90 0 |
| Lowest ,, on the 9th28.757 | 29·004 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1.078 | 0.896 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 18th 81.5 | 76 9 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 6th 34.7 | 39.2 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings 46.8 | 37.7 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 65.2 | 65·1 |
| Mean of all the Lowest 49.5 | 48.2 |
| Mean Daily Range 15.7 | 16·9 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 54 ·9 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb | 54.6 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature | 54.8 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation | 52.2 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 49.9 | 49 0 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour | () ·360in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 4 Ogr | 3.9gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.9gr | 0.9gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1 00) 0.83 | 0.79 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 527 9gr | 531 ·1or |
| Fall of Rain 5 040in | 3.755in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell 25 | 17.5 |
| Amount of Evaporation | 3.753 |

| No. of days in the month on | N | NE | Е | SE | 8 | sw | w | NW |
|--|---|-----|-----|----|------|------|------|----|
| which the prevailing wind was | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 15 | 0 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 0 | 5.6 | 9.7 | 0 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 9∙0 | 0 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 0 | 268 | 233 | 0 | .527 | 2618 | 3243 | 0 |

The max. Velocity of the wind was 29 miles per hour. Direction WSW on the 22nd at 8 a.m., and on the 28th at 1 p.m.

| Mean amount | of Cloud, (an o | overcast | sky being indi | cated by 10.0 |) <u>8</u> ·0 |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| In the month during 25 | of June, the years, was on t | highest he-27th | t reading of the , in 1867, and w | Barometer as | 3 0.206 |
| The lowest | ,, | ,, | · 12th, 1862 | | 28.632 |
| The highest T | emperature | ,, | 28th, 1857 | | 84 6 |
| The lowest | ,, | ,, | 30th, 1856 | | 34·2 |
| The highest the mont | adopted mean h | temper | ature of 1858 | ····· ··· ••··· | 59·0 |
| The lowest | ,, | ,, | 1856 & 1860 | | 52.2 |
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The month was principally remarkable for the number of thunder storms; they occurred on the 7th, 8th, 9th, 18th, 24th, and 27th. Thunder was also heard on the 17th, 19th, and 21st.

The heaviest daily rainfall was 0.771 in. on the 19th. Between 5 and 6 p.m. on the 24th, there was a fall of 0.342 in., but the total fall an that day was only 0.738 in. On the 14th and 21st slight fog in the morning.

There were two rather considerable disturbances on the self-recording magnets towards the beginning of the month. That on the 3rd commenced at about 2 p.m.; the H.F. and V.F. curves presented a somewhat striking similarity of form.

On the morning of the 10th a sudden decrease of intensity threw the V.F. magnet off its balance shortly after midnight, and produced a similar, but much slighter, movement of the H.F. needle; the Declination magnet was moved at the same time rapidly towards the West. Slighter perturbations occurred on a few other days.

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above the sea, 381 ft.

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For July, 1872.

| | Results of Observations taken during the month. | | Mcan for the last 25 Years. |
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| | Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.474 | 29.510 |
| | Highest , on the 4th | 29.781 | 29.879 |
| | Lowest , on the 8th | 29.254 | 29 010 |
| | Range of Barometer Readings | 0.527 | 0.869 |
| | Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 21st | 83·8 | 78·3 |
| | Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 30th | 42·0 | 42.1 |
| | Range of Thermometer Readings. | 41.8 | 36·2 |
| | Mean of all the Highest Readings | 71.3 | 68 0 |
| | Mean of all the Lowest. | 53.3 | 51 .0 |
| | Mean Daily Range | 18.0 | 17.0 |
| | Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. } and Min.) | 60.4 | 57 [.] 6 |
| | Mean Temperature from dry bulb | 60.2 | 57·9 |
| | Adopted Mean Temperature | 60.2 | 57.8 |
| | Mean Temperature of Evaporation | 57·5 | 55.0 |
| | Mean Temperature of Dew Point | 54·9 | 52.4 |
| | Mean elastic force of Vapour. | 0 [.] 431in | 0.394in |
| | Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air | 4.9gr | 4.4gr |
| | Mean additional weight required for saturation | l·lgr | 1.0gr |
| | Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) | 0.83 | 0.82 |
| | Mean weight of a cubic foot of air | 523 6ør | 527·2or |
| | Fall of Rain | 4 490in | 3.886in |
| l | Number of days on which Rain fell. | 21 | 16.7 |
| | Amount of Evaporation | 5·016 | 4.074 |

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|---|------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|-------|------|-----|
| No. of days in the month on | N | NE | E | SE | S | SW | *w | NW |
| which the prevailing wind was | 0 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 14 | 1 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 0 | 6.9 | 7.3 | | 5.9 | 8.9 | 5.7 | 6·9 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 0 | 1164 | 350 | Trace lost. | 142 | 1064 | 1782 | 166 |
| The total number of miles regis | stered | duri | ng th | e mo | nth v | vas 4 | 668. | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind w on the 1st, at 2 p.m. | as 23 | mile | s pe | r hou | r. | Direc | tion | W |
| Mean amount of Cloud, (an overca | st sky | y bein | ig ind | licate | d by | 10.0 |) 6 | ·8 |
| In the month of July, the highe during 25 years, was on the 24 | st rea th, in | ding 1868, | of th and | e Bai was | omet | ter | 30·1 | 12 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | 14th | , 185 | 3 | | | 28.6 | 70 |
| The highest Temperature ,, | | 15th, | 186 | s | | | 88 | ·1 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | lst, | 1857 | 1 | | | 36 | •0 |
| The highest adopted mean tempe the month | ratur | e of | 185 | 2 | •••••• | ••••• | 63 | 0 |
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* The No. of miles registered on the 10th was lost.

The thunder storms this month have far exceeded in violence, those of June. They occurred on the 7th, 12th, 24th 25th, 26th and 29th. Thunder was also heard on the 6th, 11th, 22nd and 27th; and lightning was seen on the 30th.

On the 24th thunder was heard throughout the greater part of the day from 3 a.m. to 7 p.m., and the storm passed twice almost vertically over the observatory. The fall of rain between $6h 45^{m}$ and 7^{h} a.m., was 0.6 of an inch, and at this time the wind backed through a complete revolution in about 20 minutes. The total rainfall for the day was 1.07 inch. At about $4^{h} 15^{m}$ p.m., a poplar tree was struck by lightning, many of the branches being cast to a distance of from 90 to 100 yards, & one or two driven with great force into the ground. The tree stands in a hedge two feet high, and the lightning seems to have struck the tree close by the hedge, and to have travelled upwards to within a few feet of the top.

During a considerable portion of the 25th, thunder was frequently heard, and the storm was violent at 11-40 a.m. and 7-30 p.m.

On the 26th two distinct storms approached together, one coming from the S.W., and the other from the E.

With the sole exception of the last mentioned storm all the thunder-storms of the month came from between W.N.W. and S. The only accidents in the neighbourhood from lightning were the death of a cow and some sheep, and the destruction of two trees.

The self-recording n agnets were remarkably steady during the thunderstorms of the 24th, 25th and 26th.

The only magnetic disturbances worth notice were those on the evenings of the 7th and 8th, the continuous perturbations on the 21st, and the unusual similarity between the three curves of the Declination, H.F. & V.F. magnets during the disturbance which lasted from 9 p.m. on the 27th to 2 a.m. on the 28th.

On the 18th between 3 and 4 p.m. a cock of hay, about half a cwt. in weight, was raised by a whirlwind to the height of 300 or 400 feet, and then scattered in every direction, some of it falling at the distance of more than a quarter of a mile. The rest of the hay in the field was left undisturbed.

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above the sea, 381 ft.

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For August, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.200 |
| Highest ,, on the 27th29.846 | 29.889 |
| Lowest ,, on the 10th29 012 | 28.962 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 0.834 | 0.927 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 18th 78.8 | 76·9 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 31st 46.9 | 41.4 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings | 35·5 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 67.9 | 67·2 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | 50 · S |
| Mean Daily Range 16.1 | 16·4 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 57:3 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb | 57·4 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature | 57.4 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 55.6 | 54.6 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 53.1 | 52.0 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.405in | 0 [.] 391in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 4.5gr | 4 ·2gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 1.0gr | 0.9gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.83 | 0.83 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 526 5gr | 527 5gr |
| Fall of Rain | 4.661in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell | 19 |
| Amount of Evaporation 4.140 | 3.202 |

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|--|---|----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------|-------|-----------|------|-----|
| No. of days in | n the month on | N | NE | E | SE | s | sw | w | NW |
| which the prev | ailing wind was | 3 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 3 |
| Mean Velocity | in miles per hour | 3.1 | 5.2 | 9 ∙6 | 5.2 | 10.7 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 6·8 |
| Total No. of Direction | miles for each | 221 | 788 | 1156 | 125 | 767 | 485 | 1967 | 488 |
| The total nu | The total number of miles registered during the month was 5997. | | | | | | | | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind was 27 miles per hour. Direction W on the 11th, at 11 p.m. | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean amount o | f Cloud, (an overca: | st sky | y beir | ng ind | licate | ed by | 10.0 |) 7 | 7.0 |
| In the month during 25 y | of August, the hig ears, was on the 281 | hest th, in | readi 1854 | ing of , and | the was | Baro | mete | 30·1 | 11 |
| The lowest | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | • | 26tł | i, 185 | 3 | | | 28·6 | 37 |
| The highest Ter | nperature ,, | | 2nd | , 186 | 8 | | :. | 88 | 0 |
| The lowest | ,, ,, | | 21st, | 1864 | 1 & 1 | 1869 | | 36 | 0 |
| The highest ad the month | opted mean tempe | ratuı | re of | } 185 | 7 | | ••••• | 61 | •0 |
| The lowest | »» | | | 184 | 8 | | | 52 | •5 |
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The magnetic disturbances were numerous during the month.

The magnetic storm on the 3rd was at its height between 10 p.m. and midnight.

On the 9th at about 12-45 a.m. the V.F. rapidly decreased to a very low minimum and as quickly regained almost its previous value; the movement of the H.F. magnet was in the same direction but inconsiderable in amount.

The storm that commenced shortly before 6 p.m. on the 14th, was very violent between 8 and 10 p.m., as also at 4 a.m. on the 15th. The rapid decrease of both the H.F. and V.F. components of the intensity at 8-45 p.m. on the 14th, was accompanied by a great westerly sweep of the Declination magnet. This storm was accompanied by a display of Aurora; which was seen at 9-30 p.m., but the cloudy state of the sky prevented all accurate observations.

The last great disturbance began about 4 p.m. on the 26th, and lasted 12 hours; as before the disturbing force was felt mostly by the V.F. magnet.

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above the sea, 381 ft.

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For September, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.506 |
| Highest ,, on the 13th29.757 | 30.055 |
| Lowest ,, on the 28th28.918 | 28.838 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 0.839 | 1.217 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 4th 74.0 | 72.2 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 21st 35.1 | 36.2 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings | 35.2 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 61.4 | 62.2 |
| Mean of all the Lowest 49.2 | 47.1 |
| Mean Daily Range 12.2 | 15.1 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 53.4 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb 54.4 | 53.9 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature 54 2 | 53.7 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 51.3 | 51.1 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 48.5 | 48·5 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.340in | 0`343in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 3.9gr | 3.9gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.9gr | 0.8gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.81 | 0.83 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 527 4gr | 531 ·7gr |
| Fall of Rain 8'853in | 4.565in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell | 18.2 |
| Amount of Evaporation 3.024 | 2.264 |

| | l N | INE | E | SE | 18 | sw | w | NW |
|---|-----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|-------|--------|--------------|------|
| No. of days in the month on | | · | | | | | | |
| which the prevaiing wind was | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 13 | 6 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 0 | 6 <i>•</i> 9 | 0 | 0 | 9.8 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 12.6 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 0 | 329 | 0 | 0 | 706 | 1942 | 4035 | 1820 |
| The total number of miles regis | tered | duri | ng th | e mo | nth v | vas 8 | 832. | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind wa on the 28th, at 2 p.m. | is 37 : | miles | per b | our. | Di | rectio | n S.V | N. |
| Mean amount of Cloud, (an overca | st sk | y beir | ıg in | licat | ed by | 10.0 |) 7 | 7.2 |
| In the month of September, the hi during 25 years, was on the 15 | ghest th, ir | t read 1851 | ing c , and | f the was | Baro | omete | r 30 · 2 | 74 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | 22nd | i, 186 | 3. | | | 28 ·3 | 71 |
| The highest Temperature ,, | | 6th | , 186 | 8 | | | - 85 | 6·0 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | 6th | , 185 | 5 | | | 30 |).7 |
| The highest adopted mean tempe | eratu | re of | 186 | 5. | | | 59 |)·1 |
| the month | •••••• | | 1 | | | | | |

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The rainfall during the month has been almost double the average, and has only twice been exceeded in September during the last quarter of a century. The heaviest September falls were 9.2 inches in 1866, and 9.5 in 1869. The amount of rain on the 2nd, 9th, and 27th, was 1.320, 1.053, and 1.497 respectively,

Thunder storms occurred on the 3rd, 4th, and 9th; and lightning was seen on the 21st and 24th.

Hail fell on the 9th, 21st, and 28th.

There was a slight fog on the evening of the 16th.

An Aurora was observed at 9-30 p.m. on the 9th.

The magnetic disturbances have been frequent, but only once of any considerable amount. The existence of the disturbing force was shown particularly on the declination curve. This was somewhat irregular from noon on the 2nd until the morning of the 4th, and again from 2 p.m. of the same day till mid-day of the 10th; the magnet was, however, generally more quiet during the hours from noon to 6 p.m. Similar perturbations were observable from 7 a.m. on the 11th, until midnight, and from 11 p.m. of the 16th to 10 the next morning.

The sudden and extensive sweep of the needle towards the West at about 20 minutes past 9 p.m. on the 17th, was followed by a magnetic storm which lasted rather more than 6 hours. The components of the intensity were both diminished during this interval, and every movement of the V.F. magnet is shown in miniature on the H.F. curve. The oscillations of the V.F. were very considerable.

The only other movements of the V.F. magnet worth recording were an increase attaining its max. just before 4 p.m. on the 3rd, and another max. at 5-20 p.m. on the 9th. On the evening of the 29th, there was also some disturbance.



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above the sea, 381 ft.

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For October, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
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| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.404 |
| Highest ,, on the 6th29.931 | 29 976 |
| Lowest ,, on the 10th28.626 | 28.653 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1 305 | 1.323 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 2nd 60.7 | 64.4 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 14th 30.6 | 30 ·0 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings 30.1 | 34.4 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 53.0 | 54·7 |
| Mean of all the Lowest 41.2 | 42 ·3 |
| Mean Daily Range 11.8 | 12.4 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 47.5 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb 46.1 | 48 ·1 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature 46.1 | 47.8 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 44.2 | 45.7 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 42.0 | 43·3 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.268in | 0 [.] 283in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 3.1gr | 3 ·2gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.5gr | 0.6gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.87 | 0.82 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 535.3gr | 536 • Ogr |
| Fall of Rain 6.004in | 5·330in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell | 21.4 |
| Amount of Evaporation 1.389 | 1.493 |

| No. of days in | the month on | N | NE | E | SE | s | sw | w | NW |
|--|--|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|------|
| which the preva | iling wind was | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 5 | 2 |
| Mean Velocity in | n miles per hour | 4.2 | 7.1 | 6.6 | 11.2 | 2.0 | 10 [.] 4 | 6.6 | 13.7 |
| Total No. of a Direction | miles for each | 109 | 513 | 472 | 831 | 48 | 3253 | 792 | 656 |
| The total number of miles registered during the month was 6674. | | | | | | | | | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind was 34 miles per hour. Direction S.S.E. on the 24th. at 7 a.m. | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean amount of | Cloud, (an over | east sk | y beii | ng in | dicat | ed by | 7 10 0 | 0 1 | 7.5 |
| In the month o during 25 ye | f October, the h ears, was on the 2 | ighest 9th, in | read 1849 | ling o , and | of the was | Baro | omete | er 30 2 | 38 |
| The lowest | ,, , | , | 19tł | h, 186 | 52 | · • • • • • • • | • • • • • • • • | 28.1 | 39 |
| The highest Tem | perature , | , | 9th | ı, 18ê | 69 | | • • • • • • • • | 75 | 2.8 |
| The lowest | | | 21st | . 185 | i9 | | | 2 | 5.2 |

 The lowest adopted mean temperature of the month
 1861
 51.6

 The lowest
 ,, ,, ,, 1850
 44.8

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The readings of the Barometer are taken partly from Barrow's Standard, and partly from an instrument by Adie. The correction -0.02 has been applied to the readings of the latter on account of difference of height above sea level. Corrections for index error, capillarity, and temperature are never omitted, but the observed values are not reduced to sea-level. The maximum and minimum temperatures are obtained from the patent instruments of Negretti and Zambra, and the other temperatures from the hygrometer by the same opticians. These thermometers have all been compared by Mr. GLAISHER with those of Greenwich. Both the direction and the velocity of the wind are given by a self-register ng Anemometer of BECK. The Hygrometrical results have been calculated from GLAISHER's tables, 2nd edition.

Lightning was seen on the 11th and 31st. Fog prevailed on the 20th. The Solar halo visible on the same day was very brilliant between 1-40 and 2-0 p.m., the colours were strong, and the whole ring sharply defined at the inner border. Between 6 p.m. on the 29th, and 5 a.m. of the 30th, there was a remarkable fall of rain, the amount being about 1.5 inches. During this time the wind was mostly from the SSW, and its rate about 25 miles per hour. This was followed by a hail storm on the 31st.

The month started with a slightly disturbed state of terrestrial magnetism, and continued thus until the morning of the 8th. The only perturbations of any considerable extent during this period were those of the Declination and V.F. magnets on the morning of the 7th, the H.F. magnet not being much affected. The magnets then remained undisturbed until about 10h 20m p.m. on the 14th, when the most violent storm that has ever been registered by the Stonyhurst photographic magnetographs suddenly burst forth. All the magnets were equally affected at the same moment, and the H.F. magnet was more violently disturbed at the beginning than at any succeeding stage of the perturbations. The storm continued, with the sole exception of a short lull on the afternoon of the 16th, until 10 p.m. of the 18th. The general character of the movements was the same throughout the whole storm, consisting mostly of extensive oscillations of the Declination needle on either side of its mean position; but it moved more towards the West on the morning of the 15th, and more towards the North on the afternoon of the 17th. The general tendency of the two components of the intensity was to diminish, except during the afternoons of the 17th and 18th. There was a very striking agreement between the Declination Curves of the 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th during

the morning hours, the maximum West Deviation having been attained at about 6 a.m. on each successive day. During the afternoon of the 17th the greatest movement of the Declination needle towards the West was equal to that of the previous morning, whilst the oscillations towards the North were greater than on the other days of the storm. The Range was then 1° 46' 50". The movement of the Declination magnet was so extensive at about 6 a.m. on the 15th that it failed for some minutes to be recorded, but this frequently happened to the V.F. magnet, which was also several times thrown off its balance by the violence of the disturbing force. From the morning of the 19th the magnets were exceedingly quiet until the afternoon of the 28th, when the calm was followed by some slight movements, which continued to the end of the month.

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Lat. 53.º 50' 40" N. Long. 9th 52s.68. W. Height of the Barometer

above the sea, 381 ft.

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For November, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.465 |
| Highest ,, on the 12th29.872 | 30.068 |
| Lowest ,, on the 30 th28.343 | 28.617 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1.529 | 1 451 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 6th 61.9 | 55.1 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 18th 26.9 | $25 \cdot 2$ |
| Range of Thermometer Readings 35.0 | 29.9 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 49.1 | 46 [.] 6 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | 36.0 |
| Mean Daily Range | 10 [.] 6 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 40 ·9 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb 43.3 | 41 • 1 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature 43.6 | 41 [.] 0 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 41.9 | 3 9 · 3 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point | 37.4 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.247in | 0 [.] 224in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 2.8gr | 2 6gr |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.4gr | 0.4gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.87 | 0.87 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 537 Ogr | 544 9gr |
| Fall of Rain 4.697in | 3.948in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell 29 | 18.6 |
| Amount of Evaporation 1.236 | 1.154 |

| No. of days in the | month on | N | NE | E | SE | 8 | SW | W | NW |
|--|-----------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|-------------------|
| which the prevailing | wind was | 1 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 4 | 2 |
| Mean Velocity in mile | es per hour | 3·0 | 9.1 | 6·6 | 10·8 | 24·0 | 16·4 | 12.4 | 12 [.] 4 |
| Total No. of miles Direction | for each | 71 | 1531 | 318 | 259 | 2305 | 3548 | 1195 | 594 |
| The total number | of miles regist | tered | duri | ng th | e mo | nth w | ras 9 | 821. | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind was 60 miles per hour for 30 minutes. Direction S. on the 23rd, at 10 p.m. | | | | | | | | | |
| Mean amount of Clou | d, (an overcas | st sk | y beir | ng ind | licate | ed by | 10.0 |) (| 5.2 |
| In the month of November, the highest reading of the Barometer during 25 years, was on the 12th, in 1857, and was | | | | | | | | | 50 |
| The lowest | ,, ,, | | lst | t, 185 | 9 | | | 28.0 | 07 |
| The highest Tempera | ture ,, | | 6th | , 187 | 2 | | | · 61 | •9 |
| The lowest | ,, ,, | | 17th, | 186 | 1 | | | 19 | 11 |
| The highest adopted mean temperature of 1857 & 1863 43.8 | | | | | | | | | |
| The lowest | ,, ,, | | | 185 | 1 | ••••• | ••••• | 36 | •7 |
| | | 0 | | - | | | | | 1 |

The readings of the Barometer are taken from Adie's Standard.

The correction—0.02 has been applied, on account of the difference of height above sea level, between the Adie Barometer, and the instrument formerly in use. Corrections for index error, capillarity, and temperature are never omitted, but the observed values are not reduced to sea-level. The maximum and minimum temperatures are obtained from the patent instruments of Negretti and Zambra, and the other temperatures from the hygrometer by the same opticians. These thermometers have all been compared by Mr. GLAISHER with those of Greenwich. Both the direction and the velocity of the wind are given by a self-registering Anemometer of BECK. The Hygrometrical results have been calculated from GLAISHER's tables, 2nd edition.

The maximum temperature for November during the last 25 years, occurred on the 6th this year; the mercury stood $0^{\circ}.8$ higher than in 1868, when the maximum was $61^{\circ}.1$.

During the gale, on the night of the 23rd, the velocity of the wind was 60 miles an hour for 30 minutes, and much greater for short intervals. The total number of miles registered by the Anemometer on the 23rd was 912 miles, which gives a mean velocity of 31 miles per hour for the whole 24 hours. After midnight of the 23rd the wind veered slightly towards the SW., returning to 8 by 4 p.m. on the 24th, and then backing to SSE in the evening. There is an increase of 3343 in the number of miles recorded by the Anemometer during the month, as compared with last November. The number of rainy days is large, but there is not a proportional increase in the amount, this being only 0ia.75 above the average.

There was a slight fall of snow on the 13th.

The 28th and 29th were foggy.

On the morning of the 11th the auroral light in the North was strong. At 2-25 a.m. a broad band of light arose from the NNE horizon, and extended to the Zenith. The lower portion of the band was of a beautiful sea-green colour, but near the Zenith it was red. It remained visible for about 10 minutes. At 2-54 another broad streamer shot up from the N horizon, enveloping Polaris. It was of a rosy tint, with a light green edge along the whole of its Eastern border. At 4-15 two streamers extended to the Zenith from the horizon, a red one in the N., and a green one NW. These remained in view for five minutes.

With the exception of some short irregular movements of the suspended magnets, repeated on several successive days, or at intervals of two days, there was no magnetic disturbance of any notè previous to that which commenced at 11 p.m. G.M.T. on the 10th. The disturbing force was felt principally by the Vertical Force magnet, which indicated a diminution of this component of the earth's magnetic intensity. The minimum was reached at 6-25 a.m. on the 11th, and about 12 hours later there was another disturbance, which increased considerably the Vertical Force. There was also a slight disturbance on the morning of the 24th, followed by a few irregular movements of the Declination needle on the succeeding days, but the month altogether was remarkably free from magnetic perturbations.



Lat. 53.º 50' 40" N. Long. 9m 52s.68. w. Height of the Barometer

above the sea, 381 ft.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

For December, 1872.

| Results of Observations taken during the month. | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.441 |
| Highest , , on the 4th29 568 | 30.052 |
| Lowest ,, on the 8th28.143 | 28·606 |
| Range of Barometer Readings 1.425 | 1.449 |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on the 29th 51.2 | 53.3 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on the 4th 24.5 | 20.4 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings | 32.9 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 44.4 | 43·4 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | 33·8 |
| Mean Daily Range | 9.6 |
| Deduced Monthly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 38.6 |
| Mean Temperature from dry bulb 41.0 | 3 9·3 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature 40.9 | 3 9 · 0 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 39.2 | 37 . 9 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point | 36·1 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.220in | 0 [.] 214in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 2.6gr | $2.5 \mathrm{gr}$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.4gr | 0.3gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.86 | 0.88 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 538 4gr | 546 7gr |
| Fall of Rain 4.085in | 4.556in |
| Number of days on which Rain fell | 20.0 |
| Amount of Evaporation 1.687 | 0.92 |

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|--|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| No of days in the month on | N | NE | E | SE | 8 | sw | w | NW |
| which the prevailing wind was | 0 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| Mean Velocity in miles per hour | 0 | 8.0 | 10.6 | 0 | 19.7 | 12.7 | 18.6 | 4.8 |
| Total No. of miles for each Direction | 0 | 1910 | 763 | 0 | 4261 | 1523 | 891 | 228 |
| The total number of miles reg | istered | duri | ng th | e mo | nth v | vas 9 | 576. | |
| The max. Velocity of the wind was on the 9th, at 6 a.m. | as 39 n | iles p | er ho | ur;d | lirect | ion V | V.N.' | W. |
| Mean amount of Cloud, (an overc | ast sk | y bei | ng ind | licat | ed by | 10.0 |) 8 | 3·4 |
| In the month of December, the h during 25 years, was on the 2 | ighest 2nd, ir | read 1849 | ling o), a nd | f the was | Baro | mete | r 30∙3 | 876 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | , | 8tl | 1, 187 | 2 | | | 28·1 | 43 |
| The highest Temperature ,, | | 6th | , 185 | 6 | | | 58 | 3·0 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | 24th | , 186 | 0 | | | e | 3.7 |
| The highest adopted mean temp the month | peratu | re of | } 185 | 7. | ••••• | | 44 | £ ∙6 |
| The lowest ,, ,, | | | 186 | 9 | ••••• | | 33 | 3.3 |
| | -0 | | _ | | | | | |

The readings of the Barometer are taken from Adie's Standard. The correction—0.02 has been applied, on account of the difference of height above sea level, between the Adie Barometer, and the instrument formerly in use. Corrections for index error, capillarity, and temperature are never omitted, but the observed values are not reduced to sea-level. The maximum and minimum temperatures are obtained from the patent instruments of Negretti and Zambra, and the other temperatures from the hygrometer by the same opticians. These thermometers have all been compared by Mr. GLAISHTER with those of Greenwich. Both the direction and the velocity of the wind are given by a self-registering Anemometer by BECK. The Hygrometrical results have been calculated from GLAISHER's tables, 2nd edition. Light fails of snow on the 5th, 9th, 12th, 13th, and 17th. Hail on the 7th, 8th, and 9th. Slight fog on the 2nd and 30th. Lunar halo at 8h 20m p.m. on the 9th, diameter 39°. Another halo was visible on the 12th.

On December 9th, àt $8^{h} 40^{m}$ p.m., auroral light was seen in the N. There was also a slight aurora on the 26th.

The first magnetic perturbation of the month occurred between 8 p.m. on the 9th and 1 a.m. on the 10th. The motion of the V.F. magnet was considerable.

On the 14th the magnets were suddenly disturbed at 4 p.m., the Declination needle moving Eastward, and both the components of the intensity being increased. A somewhat similar disturbance of the Declination happened at the same hour two days later, and on the 17th the curve was in general more irregular throughout than on the 14th, but the principal inflexions were the same. The chief irregular movement was again apparent on the 18th, but the time was somewhat earlier than on the preceding days.

On the 21st the needle oscillated rapidly between 6 and 8 p.m., and the V.F. was increased.

A slight disturbance that occurred on the 25th, at 2 p.m., was reproduced at 4 p.m. on the 26th, at 6 p.m. on the 27th, and shortly after 8 p.m. on the 28th, when it had increased considerably in extent. These similar perturbations on succeeding days, or within certain intervals, appear to be worthy of special attention, as they are likely to lead to a knowledge of the true cause of these disturbances. The period of rotation of the earth, and probably also of the rotation of the sun and of the revolution of the planets, enter as important data into these results.

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Summary of the Observations

FOR 1872.

| | Mean for the last 25 Years. |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Mean Reading of the Barometer | 29.478 |
| Highest on April 6th30.042 | 30 [.] 266in |
| Lowest on January 24th28.008 | 28·275in |
| Range of Barometer Readings 2.034 | 1 991in |
| Highest Reading of a Max. Therm. on July 21st 83.8 | 81.4 |
| Lowest Reading of a Min. Therm. on March 25th 22.4 | 16.1 |
| Range of Thermometer Readings | 65.3 |
| Mean of all the Highest Readings 55.6 | 54.7 |
| Mean of all the Lowest | 41 ·0 |
| Mean Daily Range 12.5 | 13.7 |
| Deduced Yearly Mean (from Mean of Max. and Min.) | 46.8 |
| Mean Temperature of dry bulb 48.2 | 46.9 |
| Adopted Mean Temperature 48.3 | 46 ·9 |
| Mean Temperature of Evaporation 46.0 | 44 .6 |
| Mean Temperature of Dew Point 43.6 | 42.1 |
| Mean elastic force of Vapour 0.291ia | 0.276in |
| Mean weight of Vapour in a cubic foot of air 3.3gr | $3.2 \mathrm{gr}$ |
| Mean additional weight required for saturation 0.7gr | 0.6gr |
| Mean degree of Humidity, (saturation 1.00) 0.84 | 0.84 |
| Mean weight of a cubic foot of air 534.4gr | 538 ·7gr |
| Total Fall of Rain in the Year | 46 817in |
| Number of days per Month on which Rain fell 27 | 18.1 |
| Amount of Evaporation | 27 ·305in |
| The Maximum monthly mean height of the Barometer wa March, 1854, and was | s in 29·861 |
| The Minimum ,, ,, in December, 1868, and w | as28.984 |
| The Maximum yearly mean height of the Barometer wa 1858, and was | s in 29·544 |
| The Minimum ,, ,, ,, ,, in 1872, and w | as 29.319 |

The greatest monthly range of the Barometer was in November, 2.2901859, and was The least in July, 1852, and was 0.505 In 1859, on Nov. 1st, at 1 p.m., the Barometer stood at 28.035, and on Nov. 2nd, at 1 p.m., it stood at 29.263, this was the greatest range of the Barometer, in 24 hours and was..... 1.228 The highest reading of the Barometer, during 25 years, was on February 11th, 1849, and on March 4th, 1854, and was ... 30 452 The lowest on Jan. 14th, 1865, and was ... 27 939 ,, ,, Extreme range 2.513 The highest temperature was on July 15th, 1868, and was 88.1 Dec. 24th, 1860, The lowest . . . **. . .** 6·7 ,, The highest adopted mean temperature { July, 1868, 62.4of a month The lowest Feb., 1855, 28.6,, The highest adopted mean temperature of a year 1868, 49.1The lowest 1855. 44.6 ,, The greatest monthly mean weight of July, 1852, 5'1vapour, in a cubic foot of air...... The least Feb., 1855, 1.4 The greatest fall of rain in a month, was in Oct., 1870, and was.. 13:357 The least May, 1853, and May, 1859,..... 0.3 ,, ,, The greatest number of days on) July, 1861, Dec. 1868, and which rain fell in one Month (Jan. 1872 31. The least March, 1852, 3. • • ••

The Rainfall for 1872, although it is 13.687 inches above the yearly average, falls short of that of 1866 by 1.1; but the number of days on which rain fell, was greater during the past year than in any of the preceding 24 years, the number being 319, if we include the days on which less than 0.01 of an inch was registered.

1866 had also the lowest mean barometer previous to 1872, but the reading has now decreased by 0.070.

The adopted mean temperature is very high for the present year, that of 1857 however equalled it, and 1868 surpassed it by 0.8 Fah.

The anemometer registered 92865 miles during the twelve months, and the velocity of the gale on the 23rd of November, far exceeded any previous record, being at times considerably over 60 miles an hour.

Secular Variation of the Meteorological Elements.

The meteorological observations at this observatory having now been carried on uninterruptedly for a quarter of a century, it may be well to throw into a tabular form the yearly mean values of the principal meteorological data, in order to see whether any secular variation of these quantities may be apparent. The curves at the end of the report are constructed from these tabulated values, so that the eye may more readily detect any approach to a period in the annual changes.

The scales adopted as most convenient are as follows :---

For the yearly mean Barometer the ordinate has been multiplied by 4.

For the Rainfall the inch is represented by one twentieth of an inch.

For the number of days on which more than 0.01 inch of rain fell, 75 days go to the inch.

For temperature 2 inches represent 5°.0 Fah.

For humidity 5 inches are equivalent to complete saturation.

The mean Barometer curve, though coinciding generally in its movements with the Rain curves, but with opposite inflections, seems to point far less clearly than the latter to any great change of climate during the last five and twenty years. The increase of Rain within the past thirteen years is very apparent from the curve representing the number of rainy days. There is a very slight difference between the mean readings of the adopted temperature, and those of evaporation. The period between the two principal maxima of the adopted temperature is eleven years, from 1857 to 1868. It may not be superfluous to remark that the minima of solar activity were about 1856 and 1867.

The humidity, whose variations are comprised within very narrow limits, is remarkable from its being almost always above the mean from 1852 to 1862, and then invariably below the mean until 1872.

| | Ma | eteoroli | ogical E | lements | . | |
|--------|---------------------|---------------|---|--------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Year, | Mean. Barometer. | Rainfall. | Number of days on which the raim was not less than 0.01 | Adopted mean Temperature | Mean temperature of evaporation | Mean degree of humidity |
| 1848 | in 29·392 | in 52·4 | 166 | 46°.5 | 44°.4 | 0.84 |
| 1849 | ·513 | 47.6 | 180 | 46·6 | 44.0 | ·83 |
| 1850 | ·509 | 47.6 | 185 | 46.2 | 44.1 | ·85 |
| 1851 | .506 | 44.4 | 175 | 46.4 | 43.8 | .82 |
| ·1852 | ·425 | 56·5 | 187 | 47.5 | 45.2 | . 84 |
| 1853 | ·463 | 37.3 | 154 | 45.0 | 43·2 | ·86 |
| 1854 | ·540 | 44·2 | 174 | 46.7 | 44·7 | ·87 |
| 1855 | ·506 | 35 <i>*</i> 6 | 134 | 44.6 | 42.4 | .83 |
| 1856 | ·510 | 4 2·1 | 159 | 46·5 | 44·3 | ·86 |
| 1857 | ·534 | 39.3 | 178 | 48·3 | 46.4 | -86 |
| 1858 | ·544 | 42.0 | 176 | 46 ·9 | 44·6 | ·84 |
| 1859 | ·460 | 45·0 | 189 | 47·3 | 45.1 | ·86 |
| 1860 | -390 | 48.5 | 222 | 45·0 | 42.8 | •84 |
| 1861 | ·472 | 46.4 | 211 | 47.1 | 44 ·9 | •85 |
| 1862 | •44] | 52.0 | 223 | 46·8 | 44.7 | ·85 |
| 1863 | •475 | 55.2 | 234 | 47.8 | 46·5 | ·82 |
| 1864 | ·495 | 39.8 | 184 | 46.1 | 43·7 | ·83 |
| 1865 | ·482 | 38.4 | 169 | 47.7 | 45·4 | ·84 |
| 1866 | ·389 | 61.6 | 221 | 47.3 | 45.0 | ·84 |
| 1867 | ·487 | 44·7 | 200 | 46.7 | 44·5 | ·84 |
| 1868 | 565 | 44.5 | 196 | 4 9·1 | 46·4 | ·82 |
| 1869 | .210 | 54.4 | 195 | 47.6 | 45·1 | ·83 |
| 1870 | ·527 | 45·0 | 161 | 46·7 | 44·3 | ·83 |
| 1871 | 503 | 43 9 | 205 | 46·9 | 44 ·3 | ·82 |
| 1872 | · 3 19 | 60.2 | 251 | 48·3 | 46 ·0 | ·84 |
| leans. | 29.478 | 46·8in | 189 | 46.9 | 44.6 | 0.84 |
| ange. | 0.246 | 26.0 | 117 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 0.02 |

Table showing the Yearly Ualues of the Meteorological Elements.

Monthly Magnetical Observations taken at the College Observatory, Stonyhurst, 1872.

THE Horizontal, Vertical, and Total forces are calculated to English measure; one foot, one second of mean solar time, and one grain being assumed as the units of space, of time, and of mass.

The Vertical and Total forces are obtained from the absolute measures of the Horizontal force and of the Dip.

In the observations of Deflection and Vibration, taken each month for absolute measure of Horizontal force, the same magnet has always been employed.

The moment of inertia of the magnet with its stirrup, for different degrees of temperature, and the co-efficients in the corrections required for the effects of temperature and of terrestrial magnetic induction on the magnetic moment of the magnet, were determined at the Kew Observatory by the late Mr. Welsh.

The moment of inertia of the magnet with its stirrup, using the grain and foot as the units of mass and of linear measure, is 5 27303. Its rate of increase for increase of temperature is 0 00073 for every 10° of Fahr.

The weight of the magnet with its stirrup is approximately 825 grains, and the length of the magnet is nearly 3.94 inches. The moment of inertia was determined, independently of the weight and dimensions, by the method of vibration, with and without a known increase of the moment of inertia.

The temperature corrections have always been obtained from the formula $q(t^{\circ}-35^{\circ}) + q'(t^{\circ}-35^{\circ})^2$, where t^o is the observed temperature and 35° Fahr the adopted standard temperature. The values of the co-efficients q and q' are respectively '0001128 and 0'000000436.

The induction co-efficient μ 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 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 or of 200 vibrations.

The angles of deflection are each the mean of two sets of 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 only once just over 4s, and the latter always under 74'.

The average deflection of the magnet caused by a twist of the torsion circle through 90° , has been about $8^{\prime\prime}2$ of arc.

In the calculations of the ratio $\frac{\pi}{X}$, the third and subsequent

terms of the series $1 + \frac{P}{r^2} + \frac{Q}{r^4} + \&c.$, have always been omitted.

The value of the constant P was found to be-0.0028497.

The Declination observations have been taken once a week, instead of once a month, as formerly. Each reading has been corrected by the photographic curves for all irregular disturbances, as well as for daily and monthly range.

Most of the observations since the beginning of May have been taken by Mr. W. Carlisle, the magnetic assistant of this observatory.

| Observations of Deflection for Absolute measure of Horizontal Force. | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|---|----------------------------|---|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Month. | G. M. T. | Distances of centres of Magnets. | Tem- pera- ture. | Observed Deflection. | $\log \frac{m}{X}$ | | | | | | |
| January | D H M 20th 2 2 р.т. ,, 2 28 р.т. | FOOT.] ·0] ·3 | 41·0 43·7 | $ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 6 & 34 & 15 \end{array} $ | 9·10076 | | | | | | |
| February | 26th. 2 13 p.m. ,, 2 39 p.m. | 1.0 1.3 | 46∙6 46∙9 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9·10073 | | | | | | |
| March | 20th 2 13 p.m. ,, 2 38 p.m. | 1.0 1.3 | $50.9 \\ 53.5$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 14 \hspace{0.1cm} 31 \hspace{0.1cm} 8 \\ 6 \hspace{0.1cm} 33 \hspace{0.1cm} 54 \end{array}$ | 9·10042 | | | | | | |
| April | 27th 2 24 p.m. ,, 2 50 p.m. | $1.0 \\ 1.3$ | $57.8 \\ 58.3$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 14 & 30 & 4 \\ 6 & 33 & 1 \end{array}$ | 9·10027 | | | | | | |
| May | 18th10 21 a.m ,,10 46 a.m. | 1·0 1·3 | 48·4 49·2 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9·10104 | | | | | | |
| June | 17th 9 42 a.m. ,,10 23 a.m. | $\frac{1.0}{1.3}$ | 66 · 8 67 · 8 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9·10105 | | | | | | |
| July | 19th 4 5 p.m. ,, 4 47 p.m. | $\frac{1.0}{1.3}$ | 69·5 69 0 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9·09978 | | | | | | |
| August | 23rd11 37 a.m. ,,12 28 p.m. | 1·0 1·3 | 68·0 73·0 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9·0 9 972 | | | | | | |
| September. | 10th12 32 p.m. ,,12 54 p.m. | 1.0 1.3 | 64·4 65·4 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9·10046 | | | | | | |
| October | 11th 2 39 p.m. ,, 3 34 p.m. | 1.0 1.3 | $65 \cdot 1 \\ 62 \cdot 7$ | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 9 ·09 970 | | | | | | |
| November. | 23rd10 58 a.m. "12 7 p.m. | 1.0 1.3 | 51. [.] 7 53.5 | $\begin{array}{cccc} 14 & 27 & 16 \\ 6 & 32 & 3 \end{array}$ | 9 ∙0 9847 | | | | | | |
| December. | 26th10 53 a.m. ,,11 30 a.m. | 1.0 1.3 | 56·8 60·0 | $\begin{array}{cccc} 14 & 25 & 51 \\ 6 & 31 & 3 \end{array}$ | 9 ·0 9814 | | | | | | |
| in represe | ents the Magnetic mom | ant of the D | eflecting] | Magnet. | <u> </u> | | | | | | |

m represents the Magnetic moment of the Deflecting Magn X represents the Earth's Horizontal Magnetic Intensity.

| Vibration Observations for Absolute measure of Horizontal Force. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Month. | G. M. T. | Tem- pera- ture. | Time of one víbra- tion. | Log m X | Value of m. | | | | | | | |
| January | <mark>р н м</mark> 20th11 35 а. m. | 3 [°] 5 · 9 | 5.58587 | 0.22058 | 0.45780 | | | | | | | |
| February | 26th12 35 p.m. | 43·4 | 5·58879 | 0.22120 | ()·45811 | | | | | | | |
| March | 20th12 30 p.m. | 47·1 | 5.58736 | 0.22074 | 0.45770 | | | | | | | |
| April | 27th12 28 p.m. | 57·1 | 5.59571 | 0 [.] 21948 | 0.45668 | | | | | | | |
| May | 18th12 10 p.m. | 52·3 | 5·58999 | 0.22062 | 0 [.] 45796 | | | | | | | |
| June | 17th12 6 p.m. | 69·5 | 5.59660 | 0.22094 | 0.425814 | | | | | | | |
| July | 19th11 22 a.m. | 65 O | 5.60150 | 0.21981 | 0.45687 | | | | | | | |
| August | 23rd 9 1 a.m. | 61·0 | 5.60360 | 0.21947 | 0.45667 | | | | | | | |
| September. | 10th11 19 a.m. | 63.2 | 5.59860 | 0 <i>°</i> 22020 | 0.45744 | | | | | | | |
| October | 11th11 33a.m. | 69·2 | 5.60113 | 0.22050 | 0.45719 | | | | | | | |
| November. | 23rd10 57 a.m. | 45·1 | 5·59655 | 0.21962 | 0.45609 | | | | | | | |
| December | 26th12 34 p.m. | 61.0 | 5.20898 | 0.22036 | 0.45632 | | | | | | | |
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| | Dip Observation | s . | | Magnetic Intensity. | | | | | |
|------------|---|---------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Months. | G. M. T. | Needle. | Dip. | X, or Hori- zontal Force. | Y, or Vertical Force. | Total Force. | | | |
| January | D НМ 15th 11 15 а.т. 20th 2 35 р.т. | 1 3 | 69 32 14 69 32 12 | 3.6300 | 9·7281 | 10.383 | | | |
| February | 12th11 25 a.m. 16th11 50 a.m. | $\frac{1}{3}$ | 69 35 56 69 29 34 | 3.6328 | 9·7401 | 10.395 | | | |
| March | 8th11 50 a.m. 8th 4 20 p.m. | 1 3 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 3.6321 | 9 7568 | 10.411 | | | |
| April | 13th11 35 a.m. 15th12 5 p.m. | 1 3 | $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | 3.6275 | 9 ·7303 | 10.384 | | | |
| May | 15th11 37 a.m. 15th 4 15 p.m. | 1 3 | 69 30 12 69 28 25 | 3·6290 | 9·7004 | 10:357 | | | |
| June | 18th11 50 a.m. 24th11 58 a.m. | $\frac{1}{3}$ | 69 33 10 69 29 38 | 3.6262 | 9·7107 | 10·365 | | | |
| July | 23rd11 45 a.m. 23rd12 25 p.m. | $\frac{1}{3}$ | 69 31 12 69 28 39 | 3·6309 | 9 ·7108 | 10.367 | | | |
| August | 24th10 55 a.m. 24th12 2 p.m. | 1 3 | $\begin{array}{cccc} 69 & 31 & 8 \\ 69 & 27 & 54 \end{array}$ | 3 6298 | 9 ·7041 | 10.360 | | | |
| September. | 11th12 35 p.m. 26th12 50 p.m. | 1 3 | 69 31 56 69 32 19 | 3·6297 | 9·7265 | 10.381 | | | |
| October | 14th 9 28 a.m. 14th10 18 a.m. | 1 3 | 69 30 40 69 32 59 | 3 [.] 6341 | 9·7357 | 10·391 | | | |
| November. | 23rd11 20 a.m. 29th 9 25 a.m. | 3 1 | 69 31 31 69 31 13 | 3·6356 | 9 ·7357 | 10.392 | | | |
| December | 21st10 24 a.m. 21st11 30 a.m. | 1 3 | 69 32 34 69 32 20 | 3·6401 | 9·7570 | 10 [.] 413 | | | |
| | Means | | 69 31 45 | 3.6315 | 9.7280 | 10.383 | | | |

Declination Observations.

| | | Uncorr | ected, | Corrected. | | | | | |
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| Month. | G. M. T. | Observation | Monthly Mean. | Observation | Monthly Mean. | | | | |
| January . | D. H. M. 5th 9 7a.m | . 21 32 54 w. | 0 / // | 21 34 54 | 0 / /4 | | | | |
| | 13th 9 5 | $21 \ 39 \ 56$ | | 21 ,40 48 | | | | | |
| | 21st 9 16 | 21 25 38 | | 21 30 42 | · · (| | | | |
| | 26th 9 17 | $21 \ 25 \ 50$ | 21 32 38 | 21 34 10 | 21 35 9 | | | | |
| February. | . 2nd 9 2 | $21 \ 27 \ 14$ | | 21 29 14 | | | | | |
| | 9th 9 11 | 21 28 20 | | 21 30 55 | | | | | |
| | 16th 9 15 | 21 24 9 | | $\begin{array}{c} 21 \hspace{0.1cm} 25 \hspace{0.1cm} \dot{18} \end{array}$ | | | | | |
| | 23rd 9 19 | 21 24 57 | 21 26 10 | $21 \ 28 \ 58$ | 21 28 36 | | | | |
| March | 2nd 9 11 | 21 30 58 | | 21 26 23 | | | | | |
| | 8th 9 16 | 21 30 46 | | 21 30 12 | | | | | |
| | 15th 9 13 | $21 \ 25 \ 11$ | | 21 27 46 | | | | | |
| | 23rd 9 17 | 21 27 3 | | 21 29 38 | | | | | |
| | 30th 8 19 | $21 \ 24 \ 25$ | 21 27 41 | 21 34 44 | 21 29 45 | | | | |
| April | 5th 9 8 | 21 21 27 | | 21 24 36 | | | | | |
| | 12th 9 15 | 21 22 57 | | 21 29 32 | | | | | |
| | 19th 9 25 | 21 23 46 | | 21 23 29 | | | | | |
| | 27th9 3 | 21 19 29 | 21 21 55 | 21 27 13 | 21 26 13 | | | | |
| May | 3rd 9 6 | 21 23 11 | | 21 28 3 | | | | | |
| | 10th 9 2 | 21 31 6 | | 21 38 33 | | | | | |
| · . | 17th 9 14 | 21 20 25 | | (21 20 25) | | | | | |
| | 24th 8 59 | 21 20 50 | 21 23 53 | 21 26 34 | 21 28 24 | | | | |
| June | lst 9 1 | 21 19 13 | | 21 19 30 | | | | | |
| | 7th 9 8 | 21 19 29 | | 21 26 22 | | | | | |
| | 15th 9 10 | 21 26 14 | | 21 29 40 | | | | | |
| | 23rd 8 54 | 21 20 45 | | (21 20 45) | | | | | |
| | 29th 8 55 | 21 19 41 | 21 21 4 | 21 25 8 | 21 24 17 | | | | |

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Declination Observations.—continued.

| | | | | Uncorrected. | | | | Corrected. | | | | | | | | |
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| Month. | G. | м | . т. | 01 | bser | rva | tion | Ma N | onth Aea | ly n. | Obse | rvat | tion. | Mc N | nth Aea | ly n. |
| July | D. 6th | н. 9 | м. 5а.т. | 2î | 20 | 1 | ów. | 0 | , | " | 2ı́1 | 3 0 | 34 | |) <i>1</i> | " |
| | 14th | 8 | 54 | 21 | 22 | 25 | 5 | | | | 21 | 28 | 26 | | | |
| | 21st | 9 | 9 | 21 | 26 | 32 | 2 | } | | | 21 | 25 | 58 | | | |
| | 26 th | 9 | 6 | 21 | 22 | 34 | Ł | 21 | 22 | 57 | 21 | 23 | 43 | 21 | 27 | 10 |
| August | 2nd | 9 | 0 | 21 | 27 | 56 | 5 | ſ | | | 21 | 31 | 39 | | | |
| | 10th | 9 | 4 | 21 | 27 | 22 | 2 | | | | 21 | 34 | 15 | | | |
| | 18th | 8 | 59 | 21 | 28 | 29 |) | | | | 21 | 31 | 4 | | | |
| | 24th | 9 | 6 | 21 | 27 | 44 | Ł | | | | 21 | 30 | 36 | | | |
| | 30th | 8 | 59 | 21 | 26 | 28 | 5 | 21 | 27 | 35 | (21 | 26 | 25) | 21 | 30 | 4 8 |
| September. | 7th . | 9 | 18 | 21 | 25 | 54 | Ł | | | | 21 | 28 | 46 | | | |
| | 14th | 9 | 4 | 21 | 23 | 18 | 3 | | | | 21 | 26 | 56 | | | |
| | 21st | 9 | 48 | 21 | 28 | 52 | 2 | | | | 21 | 29 | 26 | | | |
| | $28 	ext{th} \dots$ | 9 | 1 | 21 | 22 | 2] | l | 21 | 25 | 5 | 21 | 26 | 39 | 21 | 27 | 57 |
| October | 4 t h | 8 | 51 | 21 | 18 | 4 | l | | | | 21 | 17 | 32 | | | |
| | 11th | 9 | 15 | 21 | 23 | 58 | 3 | | | | 21 | 32 | 51 | | | |
| | 18th | 9 | 4 | 21 | 15 | 27 | 7 | | | | (21 | 15 | 27) | | | |
| | 26 th | 8 | 59 | 21 | 26 | 16 | 3 | 21 | 21 | 6 | 21 | 27 | 59 | 21 | 23 | 27 |
| November. | 2nd | 9 | 6 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 3 | | | | 21 | 22 | 57 | | | |
| | 9th | 9 | 3 | 21 | 25 | 12 | 2 | | | | 21 | 26 | 55 | | | |
| | 16th | 9 | 16 | 21 | 25 | 3(| 3 | | | | 21 | 26 | 45 | | | |
| | 23rd | 9 | 18 | 21 | 26 | 17 | 7 | | | | 21 | 29 | 26 | | | |
| | 29 th | 9 | 1 | 21 | 30 | 39 |) | 21 | 26 | 1 | 21 | 34 | 5 | 21 | 28 | 2 |
| December. | 7th | 9 | 4 | 21 | 29 | 4] | L | } | | | 21 | 29 | 7 | | | |
| | 14th | 9 | 8 | 21 | 27 | 57 | 7 | | | | 21 | 29 | 23 | | | |
| | 21st | 9 | 0 | 21 | 29 | 57 | 7 | ł | | | 21 | 29 | 57 | | | |
| | 27th | 9 | 8 | 21 | 33 | 1 | l | 21 | 30 | 12 | 21 | 29 | 45 | 21 | 29 | 33 |
| Yearly mean | | - | - | | | | | 21 | 25 | 31 | | | | 21 | 28 | 17 |

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