

# SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Observations taken at Duthie Park, Aberdeen County of Aberdeen, During the MONTH of January 1907.

Lat. 57° 9' N, Long. 2° 46' W, Distance from Sea 2 miles. Height of Cistern of the Barometer above Mean Sea-Level 44 feet, above Ground 4 feet.

Diameter of Rain Gauge 5 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 12 inches.

The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

Days of Month.	BAROMETER.				SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS. Read Daily, at 9 P.M.				HYGROMETER.				RAIN.	WIND.				CLOUDS.				SUNSHINE.	THERMOMETERS under Ground.					GENERAL REMARKS. Occurrence of Snow, Hail, Thunder, Lightning, Fog, Gales, Meteors, Auroras, Remarkable Depression or Elevation of Barometer, etc. Mention the hour at which Storms, including Thunder and Lightning, began and ended.	Days of Month.								
	9 A.M.		9 P.M.		Max.	Min.	Black Bulb Max. in Sun.	Min. on Grass.	9 A.M.		9 P.M.			9 A.M.		9 P.M.			9 A.M.		9 P.M.			9 A.M.													
	Barometer.	Attached Thermometer.	Barometer.	Attached Thermometer.					Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.	Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.		Direction.	Force, Scale of 0-12.	Direction.	Force, Scale of 0-12.	Species and Direction.	Amount (0-10).	Species and Direction.	Amount (0-10).		No. 3 ins.	No. 12 ins.	No. 22 ins.	No. 36 ins.	No. 48 ins.										
1	29.240	34	29.100	40	41.0	21.0	25.0	25.0	26.0	25.0	28.4	22.0	0.48	SW	2	3	2	ci	5	mi	10									1							
2	28.865	38	28.600	39	39.0	25.0	28.0		38.0	34.5	34.5	34.0	0.30	SW	4	NW	4	ci	2	ci	5									2							
3	29.100	41	29.650	41	36.4	34.5			36.0	35.0	34.0	33.0	0.22	NW	4	NW	2	n.	10	ci	10									3							
4	30.050	40	30.165	41	36.1	33.0			33.8	32.0	28.8	28.5	0.06	NW	2	NW	2	0		cu	8									4							
5	29.875	40	29.770	45	46.0	28.0			39.0	38.0	39.0	37.0	0.00	S	2	W	6	ci	8	0										5							
6	30.000	41	30.380	46	42.2	28.0			40.0	35.4	39.0	36.0	0.04	N	4	W	2	0		0										6							
7	30.200	44	30.300	46	60.0	37.0			39.2	38.0	40.5	40.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	ci	8	0											7						
8	30.870	44	30.155	46	38.0	30.5			33.4	32.6	33.5	32.0	0.00	SW	2	W	1	ci	3	ci	3										8						
9	30.050	38	30.055	41	44.8	32.2			36.0	35.0	44.0	43.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	1	ci	6	ci	3										9						
10	30.000	41	30.250	42	44.2	30.8			34.0	33.0	35.5	34.0	0.05	SW	1	SW	1	ci	2	ci	3										10						
11	30.355	43	30.325	43	43.0	32.8			36.4	33.7	42.0	39.0	0.00	W	2	W	2	ci	2	ci	6										11						
12	30.105	46	30.700	49	49.0	41.0			44.0	42.0	43.0	41.0	0.04	SW	2	NW	4	ci	3	ci	5										12						
13	30.380	45	30.105	49	50.0	32.0			39.0	38.5	40.0	37.5	0.00	W	2	W	2	ci	5	ci	6										13						
14	30.000	48	30.140	57	49.0	37.0			48.5	45.0	47.0	45.0	0.03	SW	4	SW	2	ci	6	Ray	10										14						
15	30.200	46	30.260	49	47.4	33.8			38.0	37.0	36.4	35.5	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	st	4	0											15						
16	30.325	46	30.475	48	48.0	35.0			40.4	39.4	39.0	37.5	0.00	SW	2	SW	1	st	3	0											16						
17	30.550	44	30.650	46	41.5	29.5			35.0	34.2	34.0	33.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	0		0											17						
18	30.650	43	30.525	42	38.0	27.0			28.0	27.0	35.0	32.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	0		0											18						
19	30.250	42	30.475	45	38.2	30.0			33.4	32.2	34.5	33.6	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	0		0											19						
20	30.440	42	30.440	42	39.5	32.0			38.0	36.0	36.0	35.4	0.03	SW	4	SW	2	ci	5	ci	3										20						
21	30.475	43	30.800	46	42.5	32.0			34.0	33.0	34.5	33.5	0.04	SW	2	SW	2	ci	1	0											21						
22	30.700	42	30.990	44	37.0	29.0			32.0	30.3	36.4	33.0	0.02	SW	4	S	2	n	10	ci	8										22						
23	31.050	42	30.905	43	35.4	33.4			35.0	31.2	32.5	30.0	0.00	SE	2	W	2	ci	8	ci	4										23						
24	30.555	39	30.350	40	38.0	26.0			30.0	28.0	30.5	29.0	0.06	SW	2	SW	2	ci	6	0											24						
25	30.160	41	30.300	39	42.0	29.0			30.8	30.0	27.5	26.0	0.16	SW	2	NW	2	ci	6	ci	4										25						
26	30.400	36	30.360	41	29.4	23.8			25.2	24.0	27.0	25.0	0.02	NW	2	W	2	ci	2	ci	6										26						
27	30.050	37	29.650	43	44.0	24.0			32.2	31.0	39.0	36.6	0.00	W	2	W	2	ci	8	ci	0										27						
28	29.250	40	29.075	42	46.0	24.0			29.2	37.0	36.5	35.0	0.16	W	4	W	4	ci	8	ci	5										28						
29	29.060	36	29.060	38	38.9	30.0			31.4	29.6	32.0	33.0	0.09	W	4	N	2	ci	3	ci	2										29						
30	29.750	38	30.000	39	37.0	31.0			34.4	32.2	32.0	31.0	0.05	N	4	N	4	ci	5	ci	8										30						
31	30.250	38	30.325	41	34.0	30.0			33.2	32.4	28.5	28.0	0.00	NW	4	NW	2	ci	5	ci	8										31						
Sums.	10123	13	1115	13	175	123			155	145	167	144		7	87		70		134		117																
Means.	30.47	41.4	30.102	43.5	41.4	30.7			35.033	33.133				2.6	2.3				4.5		3.8																
Corrections for Instrumental Errors.	-0.07		-0.20																																		
Corrections for Diurnal Range.																																					
Corrected Means																																					

NOTATION USED IN GENERAL REMARKS.	
a.	aurora.
d.	drizzling rain.
f.	fog.
h.	hoar-frost.
h. fr.	haze.
h.	hail.
l.	lightning.
lu. co.	lunar corona.
lu. ha.	lunar halo.
m.	mist.
p.	passing showers.
r.	rain.
r. 2.	heavy rain.
sl.	sleet.
sn.	snow.
so. ha.	solar halo.
q.	squall.
q. 2.	violent squalls.
t.	thunder.
t. s.	thunder-storm.

BEAUFORT SCALE FOR ESTIMATING FORCE OF WIND—(0-12).	
0	Calm.
1	Light Air.
2	Light Breeze.
3	Gentle Breeze.
4	Moderate Breeze.
5	Fresh Breeze.
6	Strong Breeze.
7	Moderate Gale.
8	Fresh Gale.
9	Strong Gale.
10	Whole Gale.
11	Storm.
12	Hurricane.

BAROMETER. Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 30.47  
 Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 30.102  
 Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32° = 30.47  
 Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, = + 50  
 Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, = 30.92  
 Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the 23th, = 31.050  
 Lowest Do. Do., on the 28th, = 28.600  
 Difference, or Monthly Range, = 2.450

S.-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade) Highest in Month, corrected for Index Errors, on the 7th, = 30.0  
 Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the 28th, = 28.6  
 Difference, or Monthly Range, = 29.026  
 Mean of all the Highest, = 41.4  
 Mean of all the Lowest, = 30.7  
 Difference, or Mean Daily Range, = 10.7  
 Mean Temperature of Month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), = 36.4  
 S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month, = 24.0  
 " " Mean, = 30.7  
 Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, = 46.0

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 35.0  
 Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 33.8  
 Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, = 31.9  
 Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, = 180  
 Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), = 88  
 RAIN fell on 17 Days; Amount in Inches, = 1.95

WIND.		SUMMARY.	
Direction.	N NE E SE S SW W NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 0-12.
A.M.	2 - - 1 1 18 5 4	-	2.6
P.M.	2 - - 2 12 9 6	-	2.3
Sum.	4 - - 3 30 14 10	-	2.5

Observations made and Return verified by Peter Thompson

(Signed)

N.B.—Rain to be measured at 9 A.M. and the amount entered to the previous day. See instructions on back of Schedule.

INSTRUCTIONS

In order to insure uniformity in the observations made at the Observing Stations of the Scottish Meteorological Society, the Council request the Observers to adopt the methods described below.

HOURS OF OBSERVATION.

The Council recommend that Observations be made precisely at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. (Greenwich Time). At both hours the Barometer and Dry and Wet Bulb Thermometers should be read, and notes made of the Wind, Cloud, and general weather. The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. only, and the Maximum and Minimum Self-registering Thermometers at 9 P.M. only.

It is hoped that every effort will be made to insure punctuality. When, however, an observation is taken not at the usual hours, it is requested that this be stated in a note on the Schedule.

All instruments used should be compared with a certified standard; Observers are requested to communicate with the Secretary before purchasing new or repairing old instruments.

BAROMETER.

The Barometer should be hung in a good light and in a room not exposed to sudden changes of temperature. The upper part of the scale must not be higher than the level of the observer's eye, and the instrument must hang vertically. Barometers should not be moved from their places except by persons accustomed to the work, as they are very liable to get air into the mercury column when improperly handled. Mercurial barometers mounted in metal cases are the only sort suitable for the accurate measurement of atmospheric pressure.

**FORTIN BAROMETER.**—In setting this instrument the level of the mercury in the glass cistern has first to be adjusted by turning the screw below the cistern till the surface of the mercury just touches the ivory point which projects downwards from the cover of the cistern. A modification of the Fortin pattern is used at several of the Society's Stations, in which the adjustment is made by turning the screw until the zero line on an ivory rod which projects through the cover of the cistern is brought to coincide with the lines on the uprights beside it. In either pattern this cistern adjustment must be made before the Vernier at the top of the mercury column is set.

In the **BOARD OR TRADE** pattern of barometer no adjustment of the cistern is required, and the Observer can at once proceed to set the Vernier, which in all three classes of instrument is done as follows:—

First see that the Vernier is raised above the mercury, then lower it till its front and back edge both just touch, that is, form a tangent to, the highest part of the mercury column. The top of the mercury is usually slightly convex, and care must be taken not to bring the Vernier down to where the front of the mercury touches the glass, which is below the real top of the column.

The attached thermometer should be read and noted before setting the barometer, as its readings may be affected by heat from the Observer's body while handling the instrument.

Errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1·000 inch, 0·100 inch, and 0·050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29·365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 30·365, 29·265, or 29·315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Directed of Leaves.	CROPS mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Appearing above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, . . . . .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane,					Rye Grass, . . . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	First in Blossom.	Fruit Ripe, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .			Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Boutree or Elder, . . . . .		Black Currant, . . . . .			Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .			House-Swallow, . . . . .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .			Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . . . .			Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .			Sand-Martin, . . . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .			Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .			Swan, . . . . .		
Mezeron, . . . . .		Strawberry, . . . . .			Rail or Corn Crake, . . . . .		
Mountain Ash or Rowan, . . . . .							
Red Flowering Currant, . . . . .							
Rhododendron Ponticum, . . . . .							
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FOR TAKING METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

STEVENSON SCREEN.

The Maximum, Minimum, Dry Bulb, and Wet Bulb Thermometers should be placed in a lowered Stevenson Screen standing over grass and with its door facing north. The Dry and Wet Bulb Thermometers may be conveniently attached to upright laths near the front of the Screen, and the Maximum and Minimum Thermometers to others farther back. The height of the Screen should be such that the bulbs of the Dry and Wet Thermometers are four feet above the ground. The Screen should be painted white inside and out.

MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM THERMOMETERS.

In order that the MAXIMUM THERMOMETER may register the highest temperature of the day, the column of mercury is disconnected from the mercury in the bulb either by an air-bubble in the column (Phillip's pattern), or by the narrowing of the tube near the bulb (Negretti and Zamboni's pattern). In either case the instrument is set by holding it vertically, bulb downwards, and gently shaking and tapping it so as to send the portion of the column that remained at the highest point attained back towards the bulb.

The MINIMUM THERMOMETER registers the lowest temperature by an index enclosed in the column of spirit which is drawn towards the bulb as the temperature falls, but remains stationary during any rise of temperature. The lowest reading is therefore the position of the end of the index furthest from the bulb. The instrument is set by inclining it bulb upwards till the index slips down to the end of the column of spirit. Care must be taken not to force any part of the index beyond the end of the spirit. Should this occur, however, or should portions of the spirit get detached and lodge in the upper part of the tube, it is generally possible to set the instrument right again by grasping it near the end furthest from the bulb and giving several rapid vertical swings at arm's length, so as to drive the spirit and index towards the bulb by centrifugal force.

Both Maximum and Minimum should be read and set at 9 P.M. The readings should be written down before the Thermometers are touched; and after setting, both should agree very nearly with the Dry Bulb temperature at that hour. Any difference from the Dry Bulb of more than a degree may be regarded by the Observer as an indication either that the instrument is not properly set, or that it is out of order.

DRY AND WET BULB THERMOMETERS.

The Hygrometer in use at the Society's Stations consists of two thermometers—a Dry and a Wet Bulb—of similar form, and usually mounted on one frame. The bulbs should project at least an inch from the frame, and the Wet Bulb be covered with muslin and connected by strands of cotton with the water cistern. This cistern should be placed an inch or two below the level of the bulbs and at the side of the Wet Bulb furthest from the Dry Bulb; it should not stand directly under the Wet Bulb. Muslins and strands are supplied to most stations from the Society's office, and should be renewed at least once a month. In putting on a fresh muslin care should be taken to touch it as little as may be with the fingers. In frosty weather the strands do not convey water to the muslin, but an accurate observation can generally be insured by soaking the Wet Bulb in water a quarter of an hour before the observation, as from the film of ice thus formed on the muslin evaporation goes on in the same way as from the wet muslin under ordinary circumstances.

DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Directed of Leaves.	CROPS mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Appearing above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, . . . . .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane,					Rye Grass, . . . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	First in Blossom.	Fruit Ripe, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .			Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Boutree or Elder, . . . . .		Black Currant, . . . . .			Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .			House-Swallow, . . . . .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .			Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . . . .			Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .			Sand-Martin, . . . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .			Starling, . . . . .		
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METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

WIND, CLOUD, SUNSHINE, ETC.

WIND.

The direction and force of the Wind should be noted at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. In confined situations where the true direction cannot be easily observed, it is best to ascertain this by watching the movement of smoke from chimneys, or even of the lower clouds. The force of the wind should be noted according to the scale given on the other side of the Schedule.

At Stations where an Anemometer is in use, the readings at 9 A.M. each day should be written down in the column provided, the values being compared to those of the previous day, as in the case of the Rainfall.

The amount of Rainfall should be estimated on the scale, 0 to 10, 0 indicating no rain, and 10 an overcast sky. Only the part of the sky over 30° above the horizon should be taken into account, as it is impossible to estimate the space covered by Clouds nearer the horizon. A convenient table for noting briefly the species of Cloud will be found on the other side of the Schedule. It is desirable to note, if possible, the direction from which the Clouds are moving. If there is more than one layer of clouds on the sky, they should be noted.

Thus, for example, Cir. W. . . . . 4 would indicate that four-tenths of the sky was covered with cirrus moving from the West, and two-tenths with cumulus moving from the S.W.

SUNSHINE.

This column is primarily for those Stations where a Sunshine Recorder is kept; at other Stations, however, the Observer may note in it the number of hours each day that the sun shines with sufficient clearness to cast a distinct shadow.

RADIATION THERMOMETERS.

A MAXIMUM THERMOMETER, with its bulb blackened and enclosed in an outer glass bulb exhausted of air, is used at many stations to register the highest temperature in the sun. It should be mounted horizontally about four feet above ground with its bulb pointing south, and should be read and set at 9 P.M.

A MINIMUM THERMOMETER on grass is used to register the lowest radiation temperature at night. It should be placed on wooden supports a few inches above the surface of the grass. It may be read and set at 9 P.M., but in warm weather, as the spirit in this instrument is liable to evaporate when exposed to bright sunshine and to condense again in the upper part of the tube, it is better to read it at 9 A.M., to put it inside the screen during the day, and to set and replace it at 9 P.M.

THERMOMETERS UNDER GROUND.

These should be read at 9 A.M., and the readings entered on the day on which they are made.

REMARKS.

In the Remarks column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder, or Lightning, or both together; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the sun or moon; of Fogs, Gales or Storms, and generally of all noteworthy Weather phenomena.

The table and additional lines on the back of the Schedule are for the use of those Observers who wish to record Notes connected with the changes of the Seasons, such as the growth of Crops, Fruit, etc., and the migrations of Birds; also the prevalence of Diseases in man, in the lower animals, and in plants. Such observations are often of great interest and utility when taken in conjunction with the ordinary Meteorological records.

ADDITIONAL REMARKS.



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Observations taken at Butte Park, Montana, County of Missouri, During the MONTH of February 1907.

Lat. 57.9 N, Long. 2.6 W, Distance from Sea 2 miles. Height of Cistern of the Barometer above Mean Sea-Level 44 feet, above Ground 4 feet.

Diameter of Rain Gauge 5 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 12 inches

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	1	30.225	37.	30.225	37.	36.8	23.0	30.8	30.0	33.5	33.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	ci	4	ci	6															Fair & fine hard frost	1					
2	30.335	39.	30.355	40.	42.6	24.9	34.0	33.4	32.0	31.0	0.00	SW	0	SW	2		0	ci	8														rain clear frost dull PM	2							
3	30.250	41.	30.200	40.	39.0	29.5	36.0	34.0	35.5	33.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		0	ci	5														Do Do	3							
4	30.170	39.	30.350	40.	36.0	28.0	32.0	31.0	34.5	33.5	0.04	SW	2	NW	2	ci	10		0		S												Rime snow rain all day	4							
5	30.545	39.	30.545	43.	41.4	29.0	32.4	31.6	29.0	28.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	ci	5		0														Do Do	5							
6	30.270	39.	30.000	40.	37.0	22.5	31.0	29.0	32.5	31.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	ci	2	ci	5														fair heavy frost	6							
7	29.650	37.	29.655	42.	38.0	29.0	33.0	31.8	36.0	33.5	0.04	SW	4	SW	4	ci	5	ci	8														Do Do dull PM	7							
8	29.740	40.	29.740	42	40.0	33.8	35.4	34.0	36.0	34.0	0.20	SW	2	SW	2	ci	6	ci	5														soft clear hard frost	8							
9	29.355	39.	29.400	39.	41.4	32.8	37.0	35.8	36.0	34.0	0.00	SW	4	SW	4	ci	8	ci	5	A													not been rain Very bright Aurora	9							
10	29.450	41.	29.400	42.	41.0	34.5	37.0	35.0	37.0	34.5	0.22	SW	2	S	4	ci	8	a	5														fair Clear & blue PM	10							
11	29.30.0	41.	29.375	44.	39.0	30.0	31.0	30.0	34.8	33.5	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		0		0														some rain again hard frost	11							
12	29.300	41.	29.360	43.	39.2	30.2	34.8	33.4	34.5	33.0	0.33	S W	2	NW	2	ci	6	ci	6	sl													fair dull sleet showers	12							
13	29.650	40.	30.050	43.	38.8	33.0	36.4	34.5	33.0	32.5	0.20	NW	4	N	2	ci	6		0	sl													sleet showers fair & frosty per 2 AM	13							
14	30.000	40.	29.700	42.	42.8	28.4	33.8	31.0	36.5	35.5	0.09	SW	4	SW	4	ci	8	ci	6														fine dull some rain PM	14							
15	29.550	45.	29.650	46.	57.2	33.0	48.0	45.4	47.9	46.0	0.50	SW	4	SW	2	ci	6	ci	6														fresh fair dull	15							
16	29.800	44.	29.500	44.	48.0	36.0	47.5	46.0	45.4	45.0	0.11	SW	2	SW	4	ci	5	ci	8														fair and fine dull PM	16							
17	29.500	46.	29.875	47.	46.4	34.0	36.4	45.8	45.0	43.0	0.00	NW	6	NW	6	ci	6		0														stormy wild showers frost PM	17							
18	29.450	47.	29.350	42.	49.5	33.0	45.8	43.6	39.5	38.0	0.03	SW	4	SW	2	ci	6	ci	6														dull fair all day	18							
19	29.150	44.	28.175	41.	43.5	33.0	33.0	31.0	34.0	33.0	0.26	SW	4	SW	8	ci	5	ci	6	S													dull fair, severe gale PM	19							
20	28.350	42.	28.950	40	39.1	28.0	37.0	35.0	35.0	33.0	0.16	NW	6	NW	6	ci	6	ci	6	sl													very stormy sleet showers frequent	20							
21	29.300	40.	29.560	42.	38.8	34.0	35.5	33.8	34.0	33.0	0.15	NW	6	NW	6	ci	6	ci	6														Do Do Do all day	21							
22	29.650	39.	29.775	38.	32.5	26.5	28.8	27.5	29.0	28.5	0.13	NW	4	NW	2	ci	4	ci	4	S													snow all day frost PM	22							
23	29.940	38.	30.005	40.	46.0	27.5	30.4	30.0	38.5	37.5	0.02	NW	4	NW	2	ci	6	ci	6	S													more snow very stormy	23							
24	29.820	43.	29.975	46.	47.5	34.0	45.6	41.8	41.0	40.0	0.03	NW	4	W	2	ci	4	ci	5														fresh fair all day snow fog	24							
25	30.100	46.	30.105	49.	57.0	41.6	42.8	41.2	42.0	39.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2	ci	6	ci	3														fair & fine mild all day	25							
26	30.150	48.	30.250	47.	55.0	33.8	47.0	42.6	42.4	40.0	0.00	W	4	NW	2	ci	2	ci	5														white frost & my fair & fine	26							
27	30.39.0	47.	30.460	46.	55.4	39.8	47.8	46.0	43.5	41.0	0.00	W	4	W	2	ci	5	ci	4	sb													fair & fine all day	27							
28	30.500	46.	30.450	50	60.6	32.2	35.0	33.4	39.0	37.0	0.00	W	2	SW	2	ci	2		0														fair & fine, Clear frost PM	28							
29																				6.2															29						
30																				0.0															30						
31																				9.4															31						
Sums.	21.770	48	22.425	76.	97.9	23.7	194.2	157.6	196.9	151.0	2.51		90	84		140	126																								
Means.	29.778	41.7	29.801	42.7	43.5	30.8	36.9	35.4	37.0	35.4			3.2	3.0		5.0	4.5																								
Correc- tions for Instru- mental Errors.	-0.020		-0.020																																						
Correc- tions for Diurnal Range.																																									
Cor- rected Means	758		751																																						

NOTATION USED IN GENERAL REMARKS.											
a.	denotes aurora.										
d.	drizzling rain.										
f.	fog.										
fr.	frost.										
h.-fr.	hoar-frost.										
h.	haze.										
h.	hail.										
l.	lightning.										
lu. co.	lunar corona.										
lu. ha.	lunar halo.										
m.	mist.										
p.	passing showers.										
r.	rain.										
r.2	heavy rain.										
sl.	sleet.										
sn.	snow.										
so. ha.	solar halo.										
q.	squall.										
q.2	violent squalls.										
t.	thunder.										
t. s.	thunder-storm.										
CLOUDS.											
HIGH CLOUDS.											
Cirrus.											
Cirro-stratus.											
Cirro-cumulus.											
MIDDLE CLOUDS.											
Strato-cirrus.											
Cumulo-cirrus.											
LOWER CLOUDS.											
Strato-cumulus.											
Cumulus.											
Cumulo-nimbus.											
Nimbus.											
Stratus.											

BEAUFORT SCALE FOR ESTIMATING FORCE OF WIND.—(0—12).											
FORCE.				FORCE.				FORCE.			
0	Calm.	5	Fresh Breeze.	6	Strong Breeze.	9	Strong Gale.	10	Whole Gale.	11	Storm.
1	Light Air.	7	Moderate Gale.	8	Fresh Gale.	11	Storm.	12	Hurricane.		
2	Light Breeze.										
3	Gentle Breeze.										
4	Moderate Breeze.										

<b>BAROMETER.</b>		Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., minus Correction for } =	723
Temp. =		35	
Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., minus Correction for } =		743	
Temp. =		38	
<b>Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32°,</b>		=	733 ✓
Correction for height,	feet above Mean Sea-level,	= +	50
<b>Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level,</b>		=	783
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the	th,	=	
Lowest Do.	Do., on the	=	
Difference, or <b>Monthly Range,</b>		=	

<b>S-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade)</b>	<b>Highest in Month, corrected for Index</b>	<b>=</b>	<u>57.0</u>
	Errors, on the 25 <sup>th</sup> , .....		
<b>Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup>, .....</b>	<b>=</b>	<u>22.5</u>
<b>Difference, or Monthly Range, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>34.5</u>
<b>Mean of all the Highest, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>43.5</u>
<b>Mean of all the Lowest, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>30.8</u>
<b>Difference, or Mean Daily Range, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>12.7</u>
<b>Mean Temperature of Month, <math>\frac{1}{2}</math> (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>37.2</u>
<hr/>			
<b>S-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>        </u>
<b>" " Mean, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>        </u>
<b>Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, .....</b>		<b>=</b>	<u>        </u>

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, ..... = 37.0

Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, ..... = 45.8 —

Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, ..... =

Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, ..... = 191

Do, **Relative Humidity** (Saturation = 100), = 87

RAIN fell on 16 Days; Amount in Inches, ..... = 2.51

WIND.		SUMMARY.								Mean Force 0-12.
Direction.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	
A.M.	0	1	0	0	1	16	3	7	0	
P.M.	1	0	0	0	1	16	2	8	0	
Sum.	1	1	0	0	2	32	5	15	0	3.1

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All instruments used should be compared with a certified standard; Observers are requested to communicate with the Secretary before purchasing new or repairing old instruments.

BAROMETER.

The Barometer should be hung in a good light and in a room not exposed to sudden changes of temperature. The upper part of the scale must not be higher than the level of the observer's eye, and the instrument must hang vertically. Barometers should not be moved from their places except by persons accustomed to the work, as they are very liable to get air into the mercury column when improperly handled. Mercuial barometers mounted in metal cases are the only sort suitable for the accurate measurement of atmospheric pressure.

FORTIN BAROMETER.—In setting this instrument the level of the mercury in the glass cistern has first to be adjusted by turning the screw below the cistern till the surface of the mercury just touches the ivory point which projects downwards from the cover of the cistern. A modification of the Fortin pattern is used at several of the Society's Stations, in which the adjustment is made by turning the screw until the zero line on an ivory rod which projects through the cover of the cistern is brought to coincide with the lines on the uprights beside it. In either pattern this cistern adjustment must be made before the Vernier at the top of the mercury column is set.

In the BOARD or TRADE pattern of barometer no adjustment of the cistern is required, and the Observer can at once proceed to set the Vernier, which in all three classes of instrument is done as follows:—

First see that the Vernier is raised above the mercury, then lower it till its front and back edge both just touch, that is, form a tangent to, the highest part of the mercury column. The top of the mercury is usually slightly convex, and care must be taken not to bring the Vernier down to where the front of the mercury touches the glass, which is below the real top of the column.

The attached thermometer should be read and noted before setting the barometer, as its readings may be affected by heat from the Observer's body while handling the instrument.

The errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1/1000 inch, 0.100 inch, and 0.050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29.365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 29.365, 29.265, or 29.315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf Buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Divested of Leaves.	CROPS, mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Appearing above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, . . . . .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane, . . . . .					Eye Grass, . . . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	Fruit Ripe, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .		Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Bourree or Elder, . . . . .		Black Currant, . . . . .		Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .		Horse-Swallow, . . . . .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .		Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . . . .		Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .		Sand-Martin, . . . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .		Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .		Swan, . . . . .		
Mezereon, . . . . .		Strawberry, . . . . .		Rail or Corn Crane, . . . . .		
Mountain Ash or Rowan, . . . . .						
Red Flowering Currant, . . . . .						
Rhododendron Ponticum, . . . . .						
Whin, . . . . .						

The Society will be glad to receive any portions of the information indicated in this table that may come under the Observer's notice.

FOR TAKING METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

RAIN GAUGE.

The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. each day, and the amount entered to the *previous day on the Schedule*: thus the quantity measured at 9 A.M. on the 5th should be put down on the line containing the observations of the 4th of the month, since out of the twenty-four hours ending at 9 A.M. on 5th, fifteen belong to the 4th and only nine to the 5th, so that the amount may more properly be credited to the former day. The monthly total for, say, January is thus what falls between 9 A.M. on 1st January and 9 A.M. on 1st February.

The measuring glass is divided to hundredths of an inch—the highest line indicating .50, that is fifty hundredths or half an inch. The amount should be entered on the Schedule thus: if up to say the sixth line in the glass as .06, if up to the twenty-third line as .23, if up to the thirtieth line as .30, and so on, there being always two figures put down to the right of the decimal point. Care should be taken to avoid entering .08 as simply 8, or .30 as .3, as this may cause confusion when adding the figures to get the total for the month.

When the fall exceeds one fill of the measuring glass it is necessary to measure it in portions, and each successive reading should be jotted down on the flyleaf of the notebook or other convenient place before the glass is emptied. Thus after heavy rain the amounts measured might be:—

47  
42  
38  
1 27

The total, 1.27, would be entered on the Schedule.

The glass must be held vertically or placed on a level surface when reading. A little uncertainty is sometimes caused by the upward curvature of the water where it touches the side of the glass, but the true reading is half way between the two apparent edges of the water surface. When there is nothing in the gauge a stroke (—) should be entered on the Schedule rather than the figure 0.

Snow or Hail is counted as Rainfall, and should be melted and measured as such. The upper part of the gauge may be taken indoors and what is lying in it thawed. To save time, especially if snow or rain be then falling, it is convenient to add a measured quantity of warm water to the snow in the gauge, this quantity being afterwards deducted from the total to get the amount that has fallen. The depth of snow lying on the ground should be noted in the Remarks column.

In gauges, such as Plinings, in which a float and measuring rod is used, the rod should be removed or tied down below the level of the rim, except when a measurement is being taken, because if allowed to project above the gauge, it would prevent it catching the true amount of fall.

If a gauge is only read once a month this should be done on the morning of the 1st, and the amount entered to the previous month.

The Rain Gauge should be placed in an open situation, if possible with no elevated objects close to it, in any case trees, walls, etc., should never be nearer to the gauge in horizontal distance than their own height. The gauge should be firmly fixed with its rim 12 inches above ground; if surrounded by grass, care must be taken that it is never allowed to grow as high as the rim. The gauges at most Stations are five inches in diameter, though a few of larger or smaller size are also in use. A convenient way of fixing a gauge in position is to drive four stout wooden pegs from 12 to 18 inches long into the ground, one at each side of the gauge.

ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

WIND, CLOUD, SUNSHINE, ETC.

WIND.

The direction and force of the Wind should be noted at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. In confined situations where the true direction cannot be easily observed, it is best to ascertain this by watching the movement of smoke from chimneys, or even of the lower clouds. The force of the wind should be noted according to the scale given on the other side of the Schedule.

At Stations where an Anemometer is in use, the readings at 9 A.M. each day should be put down in the column provided, the values being entered to the previous day, as in the case of the Rainfall.

CLOUDS.

The amount of Cloud should be estimated on the scale, 0 to 10, 0 indicating a clear and 10 an overcast sky. Only the part of the sky over 30° above the horizon should be taken into account, as it is impossible to estimate the space covered by Clouds nearer the horizon. A convenient table for noting briefly the species of Cloud will be found on the other side of the Schedule. It is desirable to note, if possible, the direction from which the Clouds are moving. If there is more than one layer of clouds on the sky, they should be noted.

Thus, for example, 

Cir. W.	4
Cum. Str. S.W.	2

 would indicate that four-tenths of the sky was covered with cirrus moving from the West, and two-tenths with cumulus moving from the S.W.

SUNSHINE.

This column is primarily for those Stations where a Sunshine Recorder is kept; at other Stations, however, the Observer may note in it the number of hours each day that the sun shines with sufficient clearness to cast a distinct shadow.

RADIATION THERMOMETERS.

A MAXIMUM THERMOMETER, with its bulb blackened and enclosed in an outer glass bulb exhausted of air, is used at many stations to register the highest temperature in the sun. It should be mounted horizontally about four feet above ground with its bulb pointing south, and should be read and set at 9 P.M.

A MINIMUM THERMOMETER on grass is used to register the lowest radiation temperature at night. It should be placed on wooden supports a few inches above the surface of the grass. It may be read and set at 9 P.M., but in warm weather, as the spirit in this instrument is liable to evaporate when exposed to bright sunshine and to condense again in the upper part of the tube, it is better to read it at 9 A.M., to put it inside the screen during the day, and to set and replace it at 9 P.M.

THERMOMETERS UNDER GROUND.

These should be read at 9 A.M., and the readings entered on the day on which they are made.

REMARKS.

In the Remarks column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder, or Lightning, or both together; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the sun or moon; Fogs, Gales or Storms, and generally of all noteworthy Weather phenomena.

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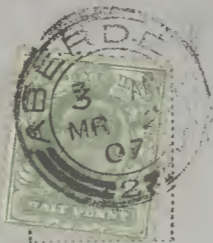
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Observations taken at Luthie Park, Aberdeen, County of Aberdeen, During the MONTH of March 1907

Lat. 33.9 N, Long. 2.6 W, Distance from Sea 2 miles. Height of Cistern of the Barometer above Mean Sea-Level 44 feet, above Ground 4 feet.

Diameter of Rain Gauge 5 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 12 inches

The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

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<b>BAROMETER.</b>	Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., <i>minus</i> Correction for } =	876
Temp. =	46 }	
	Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., <i>minus</i> Correction for } =	879
Temp. =	53 }	
<b>Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32°,</b>		868
Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level,	= +	50
<b>Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level,</b>		818
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th,	=	
Lowest Do. Do., on the th,	=	
Difference, or <b>Monthly Range,</b>	=	

<b>S.-R. THERMOMETER,</b> (in shade) <b>Highest in Month,</b> corrected for Index Errors, on the <b>27</b> th, .....	=	<u>66.0</u>
<b>Lowest in Month,</b> corrected for Index errors, on the <b>12</b> th, .....	=	<u>20.0</u>
Difference, or <b>Monthly Range,</b> .....	=	<u>46.0</u>
<b>Mean of all the Highest,</b> .....	=	<u>50.4</u>
<b>Mean of all the Lowest,</b> .....	=	<u>34.9</u>
Difference, or <b>Mean Daily Range,</b> .....	=	<u>15.5</u>
<b>Mean Temperature</b> of Month, $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), .....	=	<u>42.7</u>
 <b>S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month,..... =</b>		
"                    " <b>Mean, .....</b>	=	
 <b>Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, ..... =</b>		

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, .....	=	41.2
Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, .....	=	38.8
Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, .....	=	
Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, .....	=	210
Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), =		82
RAIN fell on 12 Days; Amount in Inches, .....	=	1.80

WIND.		SUMMARY.								
Direction.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 0-12.
A.M.	0	0	0	1	3	15	7	3	0	2.8
P.M.	0	0	0	1	6	12	6	4	0	2.4
Sum.	0	0	0	2	9	27	13	7	0	5.6

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Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .		Cuckoo, . . . . .		
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Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .		Swan, . . . . .		
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In gauges, such as Flenings, in which a float and measuring rod is used, the rod should be removed or tied down below the level of the rim, except when a measurement is being taken, because if allowed to project above the gauge, it would prevent it catching the true amount of fall.

If a gauge is only read once a month this should be done on the morning of the 1st, and the amount entered to the previous month.

The Rain Gauge should be placed in an open situation, if possible, with no elevated objects close to it, in any case trees, walls, etc., should never be nearer to the gauge in horizontal distance than their own height. The gauge should be firmly fixed with its rim 12 inches above ground; if surrounded by grass, care must be taken that it is never allowed to grow as high as the rim. The gauges at most Stations are five inches in diameter, though a few of larger or smaller size are also in use. A convenient way of fixing a gauge in position is to drive four stout wooden pegs from 12 to 18 inches long into the ground, one at each side of the gauge.

## ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

# WIND, CLOUD, SUNSHINE, ETC.

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The direction and force of the Wind should be noted at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. In confined situations where the true direction cannot be easily observed, it is best to ascertain this by watching the movement of smoke from chimneys, or even of the lower clouds. The force of the wind should be noted according to the scale given on the other side of the *Schedule*.

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Thus, for example, Cir. W. 4 would indicate Cum. Str. S.W. 2 that four-tenths of the sky was covered with cirrus moving from the West, and two-tenths with cumulus moving from the S.W.

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This column is primarily for those Stations where a Sunshine Recorder is kept; at other Stations, however, the Observer may note in it the number of hours each day that the sun shines with sufficient clearness to cast a distinct shadow.

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## THERMOMETERS UNDER GROUND.

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In the *Remarks* column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder, or Lightning, or sun or moon; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the noteworthy Weather phenomena.

The table and additional lines on the back of the *Schedule* are for the use of those Observers who wish to record Notes connected with the changes of the Seasons, such as the growth of Crops, Fruit, etc., and the migrations of Birds; also the prevalence of Diseases in man, in the lower animals, and in plants. Such observations are often of great interest and utility when taken in conjunction with the ordinary Meteorological records.

# SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

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Diameter of Rain Gauge 5 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 13 inches

The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

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**BAROMETER.** Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., minus Correction for } = 29.703  
Temp. = 29.755 ..... - .052 }  
  
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Temp. = 29.759 ..... - .055 }

Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32°, ..... = 29.704

Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level,..... = + 11

Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, ..... = 753

Highest Reading, corrected for Index error on the 10th

Time	Temp	Pressure	Flow	Volume	Weight	Concentration	Analysis
10:00	25.0	101.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
10:15	25.5	101.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
10:30	26.0	101.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
10:45	26.5	101.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
11:00	27.0	102.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
11:15	27.5	102.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
11:30	28.0	102.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
11:45	28.5	102.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
12:00	29.0	102.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
12:15	29.5	103.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
12:30	30.0	103.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
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13:00	31.0	103.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13:15	31.5	103.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13:30	32.0	104.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
13:45	32.5	104.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
14:00	33.0	104.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
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16:00	37.0	106.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
16:15	37.5	106.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
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17:00	39.0	106.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
17:15	39.5	107.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
17:30	40.0	107.3	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
17:45	40.5	107.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
18:00	41.0	107.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
18:15	41.5	107.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
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S.-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade) Highest in Month, corrected for Index  
Errors, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> th, ..... = 63.4

Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the 14th, ..... = 28-0

Difference, or Monthly Range. .... = 35.6

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Mean of all the Highest, ..... = 37.4

Mean of all the Lowest, ..... = 37.5

Difference, or Mean Daily Range..... = 13.6

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Mean Temperature of Month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), ..... = 44.5

S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month,..... =

11/11/2017 11:11:11 AM

Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, ..... 1000

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, ..... = 43.6

Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, ..... = 40.7

Computed **Temperature of Dew-Point**, ..... =

## Do Elastic Forces of Mercury

DO. Elastic force of vapour, ..... = 222

Do. **Relative Humidity** (Saturation = 100), = 78

15 Days; Amount in Inches, ..... = 1.58

RAIN fell on 15 Days; Amount in Inches, ..... = 1.58

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Sum.	5	2	7	13	8	11	7	7	0	

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Snow or Hail is counted as Rainfall, and should be melted and measured as such. The upper part of the gauge may be taken indoors, and what is lying in it thawed. To save time, especially if snow or rain be then falling, it is convenient to add a measured quantity of warm water to the snow in the gauge; this quantity being afterwards deducted from the total to get the amount that has fallen. The depth of snow lying on the ground should be noted in the Remarks column.

In gauges, such as Flemings, in which a float and measuring rod is used, the rod should be removed or tied down below the level of the rim, except when a measurement is being taken, because if allowed to project above the gauge, it would prevent it catching the true amount of fall.

If a gauge is only read once a month this should be done on the morning of the 1st, and the amount entered to the previous month.

The Rain Gauge should be placed in an open situation, if possible with no elevated objects close to it, in any case trees, walls, etc., should never be nearer to the gauge in horizontal distance than their own height. The gauge should be firmly fixed with its rim 12 inches above ground, if surrounded by grass, care must be taken that it is never allowed to grow as high as the rim. The gauges at most Stations are five inches in diameter, though a few of larger or smaller size are also in use. A convenient way of fixing a gauge in position is to drive four stout wooden pegs from 12 to 18 inches long into the ground, one at each side of the gauge.

ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

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In the Remarks column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder, or Lightning, or both together; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the sun or moon; of Fogs, Gales or Storms, and generally of all noteworthy Weather phenomena.

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## SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Observations taken at Dunfermline Park, Fife County of Fife, During the MONTH of May 1907.  
Lat. 57.9 N., Long. 2.6 W., Distance from Sea 2 miles. Height of Cistern of the Barometer above Mean Sea-Level 44 feet, above Ground 4 feet.  
Diameter of Rain Gauge 5 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 12 inches.  
The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

Days of Month.	BAROMETER.				SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS. Read Daily, at 9 P.M.				HYGROMETER.				RAIN.	WIND.				CLOUDS.				SUNSHINE. Hours.	THERMOMETERS under Ground.					GENERAL REMARKS.  Occurrence of Snow, Hail, Thunder, Lightning, Fog, Gales, Meteors, Auroras, Remarkable Depression or Elevation of Barometer, etc.  Mention the hour at which Storms, including Thunder and Lightning, began and ended.	Days of Month.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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BAROMETER. Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 29.796  
Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 29.807  
Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32°, = 29.792  
Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, = + 49  
Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, = 29.841  
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th, =  
Lowest Do. Do., on the th, =  
Difference, or Monthly Range, =

S.-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade) Highest in Month, corrected for Index Errors, on the 14 th, = 67.2  
Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the 29 th, = 36.0  
Difference, or Monthly Range, = 31.2  
Mean of all the Highest, = 54.2  
Mean of all the Lowest, = 41.2  
Difference, or Mean Daily Range, = 13.0  
Mean Temperature of Month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), = 47.7  
S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month, =  
" " Mean, =  
Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, =

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 47.6  
Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 44.5  
Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, =  
Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, = 258  
Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), = 79  
Rain fell on 17 Days; Amount in Inches, = 3.87

WIND.		SUMMARY.									
Direction.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 0-12.	
A.M.	2	6	4	1	3	3	9	3	0		
P.M.	2	7	2	2	7	5	1	4	1		
Sum.	4	13	6	3	10	8	10	7	1		2.5

Observations made and  
Return verified by

(Signed)

N.B.—Rain to be measured at 9 A.M. and the amount entered to the previous day.  
See instructions on back of Schedule.

INSTRUCTIONS

In order to insure uniformity in the observations made at the Observing Stations of the Scottish Meteorological Society, the Council request the Observers to adopt the methods described below.

HOURS OF OBSERVATION.

The Council recommend that Observations be made precisely at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. (Greenwich Time). At both hours the Barometer and Dry and Wet Bulb Thermometers should be read, and notes made of the Wind, Cloud, and general weather. The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. only, and the Maximum and Minimum Self-registering Thermometers at 9 P.M. only.

It is hoped that every effort will be made to insure punctuality. When, however, an observation is taken not at the usual hours, it is requested that this be stated in a note on the Schedule.

All instruments used should be compared with a certified standard; Observers are requested to communicate with the Secretary before purchasing new or repairing old instruments.

BAROMETER.

The Barometer should be hung in a good light and in a room not exposed to sudden changes of temperature. The upper part of the scale must not be higher than the level of the observer's eye, and the instrument must hang vertically. Barometers should not be moved from their places except by persons accustomed to the work, as they are very liable to get air into the mercury column when improperly handled. Mercutrial barometers mounted in metal cases are the only sort suitable for the accurate measurement of atmospheric pressure.

**FOOTING BAROMETER.**—In setting this instrument the level of the mercury in the glass cistern has first to be adjusted by turning the screw below the cistern till the surface of the mercury just touches the ivory point which projects downwards from the cover of the cistern. A modification of the Fortin pattern is used at several of the Society's Stations, in which the adjustment is made by turning the screw until the zero line on an ivory rod which projects through the cover of the cistern is brought to coincide with the lines on the uprights beside it. In either pattern this cistern adjustment must be made before the Vernier at the top of the mercury column is set.

In the **BOARD OR TRADE** pattern of barometer no adjustment of the cistern is required, and the Observer can at once proceed to set the Vernier, which in all three classes of instrument is done as follows:—

First see that the Vernier is raised above the mercury, then lower it till its front and back edge both just touch, that is, form a tangent to, the highest part of the mercury column. The top of the mercury is usually slightly convex, and care must be taken not to bring the Vernier down to where the front of the mercury touches the glass, which is below the real top of the column.

The attached thermometer should be read and noted before setting the barometer, as its readings may be affected by heat from the Observer's body while handling the instrument.

The errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1·000 inch, 0·100 inch, and 0·050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29·365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 30·365, 29·265, or 29·315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAKING METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

STEVENSON SCREEN.

The Maximum, Minimum, Dry Bulb, and Wet Bulb Thermometers should be placed in a louvered Stevenson Screen standing over grass and with its door facing north. The Dry and Wet Bulb Thermometers may be conveniently attached to upright laths near the front of the Screen, and the Maximum and Minimum Thermometers to others farther back. The height of the Screen should be such that the bulbs of the Dry and Wet Thermometers are four feet above the ground. The Screen should be painted white inside and out.

MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM THERMOMETERS.

In order that the MAXIMUM THERMOMETER may register the highest temperature of the day, the column of mercury is disconnected from the mercury in the bulb either by an air-bubble in the column (Phillip's pattern), or by the narrowing of the tube near the bulb (Negretti and Zamboni's pattern). In either case the instrument is set by holding it vertically, bulb downwards, and gently shaking and tapping it so as to point the portion of the column that remained at the highest point attained back towards the bulb.

The MINIMUM THERMOMETER registers the lowest temperature by an index enclosed in the column of spirit which is drawn towards the bulb as the temperature falls, but remains stationary during any rise of temperature. The lowest reading is therefore the position of the end of the index furthest from the bulb. The instrument is set by inclining it bulb upwards till the index slips down to the end of the column of spirit. Care must be taken not to force any part of the index beyond the end of the spirit. Should this occur, however, or should portions of the spirit get detached and lodge in the upper part of the tube, it is generally possible to set the instrument right again by grasping it near the end furthest from the bulb and giving several rapid vertical swings at arm's length, so as to drive the spirit and index towards the bulb by centrifugal force.

Both Maximum and Minimum should be read and set at 9 P.M. The readings should be written down before the Thermometers are touched; and after setting, both should agree very nearly with the Dry Bulb temperature at that hour. Any difference from the Dry Bulb of more than a degree may be regarded by the Observer as an indication either that the instrument is not properly set, or that it is out of order.

DRY AND WET BULB THERMOMETERS.

The Hygrometer in use at the Society's Stations consists of two thermometers—a Dry and a Wet Bulb—of similar form, and usually mounted on one frame. The bulbs should project at least an inch from the frame, and the Wet Bulb be covered with muslin and connected by strands of cotton with the water cistern. This cistern should be placed an inch or two below the level of the bulbs and at the side of the Wet Bulb furthest from the Dry Bulb; it should not stand directly under the Wet Bulb. Muslins and strands are supplied to most stations from the Society's office, and should be renewed at least once a month. In putting on a fresh muslin care should be taken to touch it as little as may be with the fingers. In frosty weather the strands do not convey water to the muslin, but an accurate observation can generally be insured by soaking the Wet Bulb in water a quarter of an hour before the observation, as from the film of ice thus formed on the muslin evaporation goes on in the same way as from the wet muslin under ordinary circumstances.

DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf Buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Divested of Leaves.	CROPS, mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Appearing above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bare or Bigg, .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane,					Eye Grass, . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	Fruit ripe, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .		Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Bourtree or Elder, .		Black Currant, .		Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .		House-Swallow, .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .		Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . .		Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .		Sand-Martin, . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .		Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .		Swan, . . . . .		
Mezereum, . . . . .		Strawberry, . . .		Rail or Corn Crane,		
Mountain Ash or Rowan,						
Red Flowering Currant,						
Rhododendron Ponticum,						
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# SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Observations taken at Dutton Park Meadows, County of Muskegon, During the MONTH of June 1904.

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1	29.705	49	29.675	49	45.4	41.0			45.0	44.8	45.0	44.8	0.33	SE	SE	10 <sup>m</sup>	10 <sup>n</sup>	N	10	N	10						Dull heavy rain most of the day	1		
2	29.500	51	29.400	52	55.6	44.6			48.0	47.5	47.0	46.5	0.27	S	S	10	10	N	10	N	10						Rain dull fair then rain Pm.	2		
3	29.550	51	29.850	49	48.2	43.6	x		48.0	47.5	45.5	45.0	0.12	N	N	10	10	N	10	C	8						Dull rain falling towards night	3		
4	29.920	49	29.850	50	53.0	38.0			45.2	42.8	45.0	42.4	0.22	N	N	10	10	C	6	C	8						Showers fair from 9 am	4		
5	29.500	51	29.450	50	57.2	43.8			48.8	48.0	45.8	45.0	0.34	S	S	2	5	S	2	S	4						Rain frequent heavy Pm.	5		
6	29.400	55	29.350	55	63.0	45.7			57.8	55.4	50.2	47.0	0.02	C	C	4	8	C	4	C	8						Fair throughout the forenoon rain later	6		
7	29.710	55	29.845	54	58.0	46.5			52.2	51.6	47.0	45.0	0.00	N	N	2	5	C	5	C	6						Fair cool all day drizzle	7		
8	29.800	54	29.780	54	58.5	42.0	x		50.0	48.8	54.0	51.0	0.02	S	S	2	5	S	10	N	10						Dull fog slight rain	8		
9	29.720	53	29.650	58	67.0	49.0			60.0	56.0	53.0	51.2	0.40	S	S	2	5	C	3	C	8						Fair & fine all day Thunder & rain 9 pm	9		
10	29.535	59	29.525	58	64.0	45.4			58.8	58.0	52.2	50.4	0.00	C	C	4	5	C	4	C	4						Thunder & rain fair & fine & clear	10		
11	29.625	59	29.800	59	66.0	49.8			56.2	54.4	53.0	51.5	0.00	C	C	3	5	C	3	C	5						Fair and cooler fine all day	11		
12	29.790	56	29.650	59	55.0	45.0			53.0	51.5	50.0	49.4	0.38	S	S	2	5	C	8	N	10						Dull rain from 12 noon rain to 6 Pm.	12		
13	29.700	53	29.750	51	60.0	46.6			54.0	53.0	52.5	53.0	0.02	S	S	2	5	C	8	C	8						Showers fair after 10 am.	13		
14	29.900	60	29.850	58	63.0	50.0			59.0	54.0	55.1	53.1	0.00	C	C	5	5	C	3	C	6						Fair & fine warmer mild all day	14		
15	29.800	59	29.700	58	64.0	50.0			55.2	54.3	54.8	51.5	0.03	S	S	2	5	C	5	C	5						Fair & fine mild	15		
16	29.800	60	29.969	59	63.4	49.4			52.5	48.5	59.5	56.5	0.02	N	N	2	5	C	8	C	10						Fair high wind all day	16		
17	30.040	47	30.005	48	64.5	48.5	x		48.5	46.8	48.5	47.6	0.00	N	N	2	5	C	5	C	3						Fair & very fine all day	17		
18	29.760	56	29.667	57	56.5	47.6	x		54.5	52.0	53.0	51.0	0.06	S	S	2	5	C	8	C	8						Dull & damp some slight rain.	18		
19	29.700	57	29.600	58	58.8	47.4	x		56.5	49.9	53.5	51.8	0.00	S	S	2	5	C	4	C	2						Dull clearing fair & fine	19		
20	29.500	59	29.478	58	58.5	46.2			53.9	49.8	54.9	53.4	0.21	S	S	2	5	C	4	C	8						Fair dull coming on rain.	20		
21	29.800	58	29.677	58	62.4	47.5			54.5	52.5	55.5	53.8	0.35	N	N	2	5	S	8	S	8						Fair & fine heavy showers after 12 noon	21		
22	29.625	58	29.606	58	60.5	50.0			53.8	56.5	55.4	54.5	0.20	N	N	2	5	S	8	S	8						Frequent rain all day	22		
23	29.675	57	29.700	57	61.5	42.7			54.7	52.1	53.8	46.8	0.20	N	N	2	5	C	6	C	8						Fair & fine rain from 11 am.	23		
24	29.535	58	29.400	58	54.4	47.1	x		50.5	46.5	50.0	48.5	0.18	N	N	2	5	C	6	C	8						Frequent showers	24		
25	29.480	58	29.475	58	60.6	41.8			54.0	53.0	54.0	48.5	0.00	N	N	2	5	C	6	C	8						Changeable all day	25		
26	29.545	59	29.375	59	56.7	51.0	x		52.0	51.0	49.6	46.9	0.20	S	S	2	5	C	6	C	8						Heavy showers at times	26		
27	29.725	58	29.775	58	61.9	42.9			55.4	54.2	58.0	49.6	0.20	S	S	2	5	C	6	C	8						Dull some slight showers	27		
28	29.760	59	29.825	59	64.0	45.2			58.0	49.5	55.4	52.5	0.00	N	N	2	5	C	2	C	8						Damp early part dull afternoon	28		
29	29.955	59	30.000	59	62.0	47.9			52.5	48.5	53.0	53.0	0.00	S	S	2	5	C	6	C	8						Dull fair	29		
30	30.075	58	29.960	58	58.5	47.0	x		55.2	53.0	53.1	51.4	0.00	N	N	2	5	C	6	C	8						Dull some rain afternoon	30		
31																														31
Sums.	2087.70	175	208.08	72	71	52.8			97.72	94.58	329.6	377	76	77					172	221										
Means.	29.696	55.8	29.694	52.4	59.2	46.1			53.3	51.0	51.9	49.8	2.6	2.6					5.7	7.4										
Corrections for Instrumental Errors.	- 0.10																													
Corrections for Diurnal Range.																														
Corrected Means																														

NOTATION USED IN GENERAL REMARKS.											
a.	denotes aurora.										
d.	"	drizzling rain.									
f.	"	fog.									
fr.	"	frost.									
h.	"	hoar-frost.									
h.	"	haze.									
hl.	"	hail.									
l.	"	lightning.									
lu. co.	"	lunar corona.									
lu. ha.	"	lunar halo.									
m.	"	mist.									
p.	"	passing showers.									
r.	"	rain.									
r.	"	heavy rain.									
sl.	"	sleet.									
sn.	"	snow.									
so. ha.	"	solar halo.									
q.	"	squall.									
q.	"	violent squalls.									
t.	"	thunder.									
t. s.	"	thunder-storm.									
CLOUDS.											
High Clouds.											
Cirrus.											
Cirro-stratus.											
Cirro-cumulus.											
Middle Clouds.											
Strato-cirrus.											
Cumulo-cirrus.											
Lower Clouds.											
Strato-cumulus.											
Cumulus.											
Cumulo-nimbus.											
Nimbus.											
Stratus.											

BEAUFORT SCALE FOR ESTIMATING FORCE OF WIND.—(0—12).											
FORCE.				FORCE.				FORCE.			
0	Calm.	5	Fresh Breeze.	9	Strong Gale.	10	Whole Gale.	11	Storm.	12	Hurricane.
1	Light Air.	6	Strong Breeze.	7	Moderate Gale.	8	Fresh Gale.	9	Strong Gale.	10	Whole Gale.
2	Light Breeze.	3	Gentle Breeze.	4	Moderate Breeze.	5	Fresh Breeze.	6	Strong Breeze.	7	Moderate Gale.

<b>BAROMETER.</b>	Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., <i>minus</i> Correction for } =	624
	Temp. = ..... 72 } =	
	Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., <i>minus</i> Correction for } =	631
	Temp. = ..... 63 } =	
<b>Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32°, .....</b>	=	618
Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, .....	= +	49
<b>Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, .....</b>	=	29.667
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th, .....	=	
Lowest Do. Do., on the th, .....	=	
Difference, or <b>Monthly Range,</b> .....	=	

<b>S.-R. THERMOMETER,</b> (in shade) <b>Highest in Month,</b> corrected for Index Errors, on the <u>9</u> th, .....	=	<u>57.0</u>
<b>Lowest in Month,</b> corrected for Index errors, on the <u>4</u> th, .....	=	<u>38.0</u>
Difference, or <b>Monthly Range,</b> .....	=	<u>29.0</u>
<b>Mean of all the Highest,</b> .....	=	<u>59.2</u>
<b>Mean of all the Lowest,</b> .....	=	<u>46.0</u>
Difference, or <b>Mean Daily Range,</b> .....	=	<u>13.2</u>
<b>Mean Temperature</b> of Month, $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), .....	=	<u>52.6</u>
 <b>S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month,</b> .....		
" " <b>Mean,</b> .....	=	_____
<b>Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month,</b> .....	=	_____

**HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, .....** = 52.6 ✓  
**Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, .....** = 50.4 ✓  
**Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, .....** =  
 Do. **Elastic Force of Vapour, .....** = 337 ✓  
 Do. **Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), =** 85 ✓  
**RAIN fell on 20 Days; Amount in Inches, .....** = 3.77

WIND.		SUMMARY.								
Direction.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 8-12.
A.M.	1	1	0	5	7	6	1	9	0	2.6
P.M.	1	1	0	6	6	6	2	6	2	2.6
Sum.	2	2	0	11	13	12	3	15	2	2.6

Observations made and  
Return verified by

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

*N.B.*—**Rain** to be measured at 9 A.M. and the amount entered to the previous day.  
*See instructions on back of Schedule.*

INSTRUCTIONS

In order to insure uniformity in the observations made at the Observing Stations of the Scottish Meteorological Society, the Council request the Observers to adopt the methods described below.

HOURS OF OBSERVATION.

The Council recommend that Observations be made precisely at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. (Greenwich Time). At both hours the Barometer and Dry and Wet Bulb Thermometers should be read, and notes made of the Wind, Cloud, and general weather. The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. only, and the Maximum and Minimum Self-registering Thermometers at 9 P.M. only.

It is hoped that every effort will be made to insure punctuality. When, however, an observation is taken not at the usual hours, it is requested that this be stated in a note on the Schedule.

All instruments used should be compared with a certified standard; Observers are requested to communicate with the Secretary before purchasing new or repairing old instruments.

BAROMETER.

The Barometer should be hung in a good light and in a room not exposed to sudden changes of temperature. The upper part of the scale must not be higher than the level of the observer's eye, and the instrument must hang vertically. Barometers should not be moved from their places except by persons accustomed to the work, as they are very liable to get air into the mercury column when improperly handled. Mercurial barometers mounted in metal cases are the only sort suitable for the accurate measurement of atmospheric pressure.

**FOUNTAIN BAROMETER.**—In setting this instrument the level of the mercury in the glass cistern has first to be adjusted by turning the screw below the cistern till the surface of the mercury just touches the ivory point which projects downwards from the cover of the cistern. A modification of the Fortin pattern is used at several of the Society's Stations, in which the adjustment is made by turning the screw until the zero line on an ivory rod which projects through the cover of the cistern is brought to coincide with the lines on the uprights beside it. In either pattern this cistern adjustment must be made before the Vernier at the top of the mercury column is set.

In the Board or Triage pattern of barometer no adjustment of the cistern is required, and the Observer can at once proceed to set the Vernier, which in all three classes of instrument is done as follows:—

First see that the Vernier is raised above the mercury, then lower it till its front and back edge both just touch, that is, form a tangent to, the highest part of the mercury column. The top of the mercury is usually slightly convex, and care must be taken not to bring the Vernier down to where the front of the mercury touches the glass, which is below the real top of the column.

The attached thermometer should be read and noted before setting the barometer, as its readings may be affected by heat from the Observer's body while handling the instrument.

The errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1·000 inch, 0·100 inch, and 0·050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29·365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 30·365, 29·265, or 29·315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf Buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Divested of Leaves.	CROPS, mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Appearing above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, . . . . .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane,					Eye Grass, . . . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	Fruit Ripe, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .		Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Bourtree or Elder, . . . . .		Black Currant, . . . . .		Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .		House-Swallow, . . . . .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .		Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . . . .		Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .		Sand-Martin, . . . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .		Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .		Swan, . . . . .		
Mezeron, . . . . .		Strawberry, . . . . .		Rail or Corn Crane, . . . . .		
Mountain Ash or Rowan, . . . . .						
Red Flowering Currant, . . . . .						
Rhododendron Ponticum, . . . . .						
Whin, . . . . .						

The Society will be glad to receive any portions of the information indicated in this table that may come under the Observer's notice.

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RAIN GAUGE.

The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. each day, and the amount entered to the *previous day on the Schedule*: thus the quantity measured at 9 A.M. on the 5th should be put down on the line containing the observations of the 4th of the month, since out of the twenty-four hours ending at 9 A.M. on 5th, fifteen belong to the 4th and only nine to the 5th, so that the amount may more properly be credited to the former day. The monthly total for, say, January is thus what falls between 9 A.M. on 1st January and 9 A.M. on 1st February.

The measuring glass is divided to hundredths of an inch—the highest line indicating ·50, that is fifty hundredths or half an inch. The amount should be entered on the Schedule thus: if up to say the sixth line in the glass as ·06, if up to the twenty-third line as ·23, if up to the thirtieth line as ·30, and so on, there being always two figures put down to the right of the decimal point. Care should be taken to avoid entering ·08 as simply 8, or ·30 as ·3, as this may cause confusion when adding the figures to get the total for the month.

When the fall exceeds one fill of the measuring glass it is necessary to measure it in portions, and each successive reading should be jotted down on the fly-leaf of the notebook or other convenient place before the glass is emptied. Thus after heavy rain the amounts measured might be:—

·47  
·42  
·38  
1·27

The total, 1·27, would be entered on the Schedule.

The glass must be held vertically or placed on a level surface when reading. A little uncertainty is sometimes caused by the upward curvature of the water where it touches the side of the glass, but the true reading is half way between the two apparent edges of the water surface. When there is nothing in the gauge a stroke (—) should be entered on the Schedule rather than the figure 0.

**Snow or Hail** is counted as Rainfall, and should be melted and measured as such. The upper part of the gauge may be taken indoors, and what is lying in it thawed. To save time, especially if snow or rain be then falling, it is convenient to add a measured quantity of warm water to the snow in the gauge, this quantity being afterwards deducted from the total to get the amount that has fallen. The depth of snow lying on the ground should be noted in the Remarks column.

In gauges, such as Flemings, in which a float and measuring rod is used, the rod should be removed or tied down below the level of the rim, except when a measurement is being taken, because if allowed to project above the gauge, it would prevent it catching the true amount of fall.

If a gauge is only read once a month this should be done on the morning of the 1st, and the amount entered to the previous month.

The Rain Gauge should be placed in an open situation, if possible with no elevated objects close to it, in any case trees, walls, etc., should never be nearer to the gauge in horizontal distance than their own height. The gauge should be firmly fixed with its rim 12 inches above ground: if surrounded by grass, care must be taken that it is never allowed to grow as high as the rim. The gauges at most Stations are five inches in diameter, though a few of larger or smaller size are also in use. A convenient way of fixing a gauge in position is to drive four stout wooden pegs from 12 to 18 inches long into the ground, one at each side of the gauge.

ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

OBSERVATIONS.

WIND, CLOUD, SUNSHINE, ETC.

WIND.

The direction and force of the Wind should be noted at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. In confined situations where the true direction cannot be easily observed, it is best to ascertain this by watching the movement of smoke from chimneys, or even of the lower clouds. The force of the wind should be noted according to the scale given on the other side of the Schedule.

At Stations where an Anemometer is in use, the readings at 9 A.M. each day should be put down in the column provided, the values being entered to the previous day, as in the case of the Rainfall.

CLOUDS.

The amount of Cloud should be estimated on the scale, 0 to 10, 0 indicating a clear and 10 an overcast sky. Only the part of the sky over 30° above the horizon should be taken into account, as it is impossible to estimate the space covered by Clouds nearer the horizon. A convenient table for noting briefly the species of Cloud will be found on the other side of the Schedule. It is desirable to note, if possible, the direction from which the Clouds are moving. If there is more than one layer of clouds on the sky, they should be noted.

Thus, for example, Cir. W. . . . . 4 would indicate that four-tenths of the sky was covered with cirrus moving from the West, and two-tenths with cumulus moving from the S.W.

SUNSHINE.

This column is primarily for those Stations where a Sunshine Recorder is kept; at other Stations, however, the Observer may note in it the number of hours each day that the sun shines with sufficient clearness to cast a distinct shadow.

RADIATION THERMOMETERS.

A MAXIMUM THERMOMETER, with its bulb blackened and enclosed in an outer glass bulb exhausted of air, is used at many stations to register the highest temperature in the sun. It should be mounted horizontally about four feet above ground with its bulb pointing south, and should be read and set at 9 P.M.

A MINIMUM THERMOMETER on grass is used to register the lowest radiation temperature at night. It should be placed on wooden supports a few inches above the surface of the grass. It may be read and set at 9 P.M., but in warm weather, as the spirit in this instrument is liable to evaporate when exposed to bright sunshine and to condense again in the upper part of the tube, it is better to read it at 9 A.M., to put it inside the screen during the day, and to set and replace it at 9 P.M.

THERMOMETERS UNDER GROUND.

These should be read at 9 A.M., and the readings entered on the day on which they are made.

REMARKS.

In the Remarks column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder, or Lightning, or both together; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the sun or moon; of Fogs, Gales or Storms, and generally of all noteworthy Weather phenomena.

The table and additional lines on the back of the Schedule are for the use of those Observers who wish to record Notes connected with the changes of the Seasons, such as the growth of Crops, Fruit, etc., and the migrations of Birds; also the prevalence of Diseases in man, in the lower animals, and in plants. Such observations are often of great interest and utility when taken in conjunction with the ordinary Meteorological records.

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## SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Observations taken at *White Park, Aberdeen*, County of *Aberdeen*, During the MONTH of *July* 190*7*.  
Lat. *57° 9' N*, Long. *2° 6' W*, Distance from Sea *3* miles. Height of Cistern of the Barometer above Mean Sea-Level *44* feet, above Ground *4* feet.  
Diameter of Rain Gauge *5* inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground *12 inches*.  
The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

Days of Month.	BAROMETER.						SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS. Read Daily, at 9 P.M.				HYGROMETER.				RAIN.	WIND.				CLOUDS.				SUNSHINE.	THERMOMETERS under Ground.					GENERAL REMARKS. Occurrence of Snow, Hail, Thunder, Lightning, Fog, Gales, Meteors, Auroras, Remarkable Depression or Elevation of Barometer, etc. Mention the hour at which Storms, including Thunder and Lightning, began and ended.	Days of Month.		
	9 A.M.		9 P.M.		Protected in Screen, 4 feet above Ground.		Max.		Min.		9 A.M.		9 P.M.			9 A.M.		9 P.M.		9 A.M.		9 P.M.			No. 3 ins.		No. 12 ins.		No. 22 ins.				
	Barometer.	Attached Thermometer.	Barometer.	Attached Thermometer.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.	Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.	Amount at 9 A.M.	Direction.	Force. Scale of 0-12.	Direction.	Force. Scale of 0-12.	Amount at 9 A.M.	Species and Direction.	Amount (0-10).	Species and Direction.	Amount (0-10).	Hours.	No. 3 ins.	No. 12 ins.	No. 22 ins.	No. 36 ins.	No. 48 ins.			
	inches.	°	inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°	°	°	°	°	°	inches.																		
1	29.956	57.	29.980	58.	57.646	4					57.2	48.3	53.2	50.5	0.05	NW	2	SE	2		Cu	8	Cu	10							Occasional Showers	1	
2	29.925	57.	82.0	58.	57.2	48.0									0.04	SE	2	SE	2		Ci	8	Ci	8							Dull, some showers	2	
3	29.723	58.	29.676	57.	57.9	49.1					57.8	52.8	53.0	52.1	0.10	SE	4	SE	2		Cu	8	Si	8							Fair, dull all day.	3	
4	29.560	57.	29.500	57.	60.4	49.0					49.0	47.0	49.0	48.0	0.06	SE	2	SE	2		Ci	8	Si	8							Dull, slight rain after 2 p.m.	4	
5	29.550	57.	29.550	57.	59.2	47.0					53.0	51.5	51.5	50.0	0.28	SW	2	SE	2		Ci	8	Si	8							Dull, some rain. Showers frequent p.m.	5	
6	29.675	57.	29.880	58.	53.6	46.0					55.4	47.5	45.0	45.0	0.03	SE	2	NW	4		Cu	8	Si	5							Dull, rain am, clearing afternoon.	6	
7	29.830	56.	29.800	56.	57.0	42.0					53.0	51.6	53.0	47.5	0.56	SE	2	S	2		Ci	5	Si	8							Fair clear, dull after 12 noon.	7	
8	29.550	56.	29.645	56.	56.0	46.0					52.5	52.0	53.5	50.0	0.10	NW	2	NW	2		Cu	10	Si	6							Heavy rain, clearing off from 12 noon	8	
9	29.840	55.	29.790	56.	55.5	46.0					52.0	47.0	51.0	49.0	0.04	S	2	SE	2		Ci	5	Si	6							Fair, some slight rain afternoon.	9	
10	30.195	56.	30.255	56.	59.4	46.4					53.0	50.0	54.0	49.2	0.00	NW	2	NW	2		Ci	8	Si	8							Dull, fair.	10	
11	30.245	57.	30.325	60.	66.0	42.6					53.8	54.0	58.0	53.0	0.11	S	2	SE	1		Ci	2	Si	6							Fair, very fine all day.	11	
12	30.295	57.	30.195	60.	65.0	53.0					60.0	57.2	58.0	56.0	0.07	SE	2	S	2		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, some slight showers, rain afternoon.	12	
13	30.100	61.	30.225	60.	64.0	53.0					61.0	58.0	62.5	60.0	0.00	S	2	S	2		Ci	6	Si	8							Fair, fine, dull mild.	13	
14	30.320	61.	30.355	65.	71.6	55.2					68.5	64.0	66.5	65.0	0.00	SE	1	SW	1		Ci	6	Si	5							Fair, fine all day, very mild.	14	
15	30.505	64.	30.524	65.	64.4	55.2					67.0	64.0	70.5	65.0	0.00	SE	1	SW	1		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, mild, very fine all day.	15	
16	30.550	67.	30.500	67.	77.0	52.9					74.0	67.0	64.0	62.0	0.00	NW	2	SE	3		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, fine, warm all day.	16	
17	30.425	63.	30.350	64.	73.0	49.6					65.0	60.0	57.0	53.0	0.00	NE	3	NE	3		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, dull all day, cool.	17	
18	30.250	61.	30.210	63.	67.2	49.0					56.0	53.0	52.0	49.0	0.00	NE	2	NE	2		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, fine, dull all day, very mild.	18	
19	30.150	57.	30.200	57.	63.0	48.6					57.2	53.0	52.0	49.4	0.00	NE	1	E	1		Ci	5	Si	6							Fair, fine, dull all day, very mild.	19	
20	30.250	58.	30.250	57.	63.4	48.6					58.0	57.5	57.0	49.0	0.00	S	1	E	1		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, fine, dull p.m.	20	
21	30.135	60.	30.130	56.	64.0	46.5					60.0	54.5	51.5	48.0	0.00	E	1	NE	2		Ci	4	Si	8							Fair, very fine, mild p.m.	21	
22	30.075	57.	30.050	56.	61.0	45.0					56.5	52.0	51.0	47.2	0.00	NW	4	NW	2		Cu	6	Si	8							Fair, dull, cool all day.	22	
23	29.795	57.	30.000	56.	57.0	45.5					52.6	48.5	51.0	47.0	0.00	NW	2	NW	2		Ci	8	Si	8							Fair, dull, cool all day.	23	
24	30.025	56.	30.150	54.	47.1						53.2	50.0				E	1				Ci	8									Fair, dull all day.	24	
25	30.050	57.	29.795	56.	53.0	49.0					47.5	45.0	44.0	45.7	0.00	NE	2	SE	4		Ci	8	Si	8							Dull, cold much milder through afternoon.	25	
26	29.922	60.	29.575	57.	65.0	47.5					64.5	59.1	57.6	53.5	0.00	SE	5	SE	2		Ci	4	Si	6							Very fine rain, afternoon, continued all evening.	26	
27	30.230	62.	30.320	61.	69.5	54.0					59.7	55.0	57.0	52.1	0.12	SE	3	SE	1		Ci	8	Si	8							Very fine weather, showers afternoon, warmer p.m.	27	
28	30.120	57.	30.560	59.	63.0	45.6					55.2	52.0	49.5	51.0	0.00	NE	1	NE	1		Ci	5	Si	5							Dull, cold much milder through afternoon.	28	
29	30.000	58.	29.550	58.	64.0	47.0					55.0	53.8	52.0	49.0	0.11	NE	1	NE	2		Ci	5	Si	6							Fair, fine some rain, then fair p.m.	29	
30	29.610	58.	29.550	58.	55.0	45.7					53.0	49.0	50.5	48.0	0.08	NW	4	NW	2		Ci	3	Si	8							Fair, slight showers frequent.	30	
31	29.715	57.	29.775	57.	57.0	47.0					50.0	45.0	47.5	45.0	0.00	NW	4	NW	4		Cu	5	Si	5							Very stormy, dull all day.	31	
Sums.					499.2	267.8					30.6	30.5	29.5	29.5	1.72		66		59		191		252								NOTATION USED IN GENERAL REMARKS.		
Means.					61.6	48.4					56.5	53.2	54.7	52.0			2.1		2.0		62		67										
Corrections for Instrumental Errors.	88.1		965																														
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Corrected Means																																	

BAROMETER. Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 29.971  
Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 29.971  
Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32° = 29.920  
Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, = 48  
Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, = 29.968  
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th, =  
Lowest Do. Do., on the th, =  
Difference, or Monthly Range, =

S.-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade) Highest in Month, corrected for Index Errors, on the 16th, = 77.0  
Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the 7th, = 42.0  
Difference, or Monthly Range, = 35.0  
Mean of all the Highest, = 61.6  
Mean of all the Lowest, = 48.4  
Difference, or Mean Daily Range, = 13.2  
Mean Temperature of Month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), = 55.0  
S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month, =  
" " Mean, =  
Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, =

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 55.6  
Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 52.6  
Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, =  
Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, = 360  
Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), = 81  
RAIN fell on 14 Days; Amount in Inches, = 1.72

WIND.		SUMMARY.									
Direction.		N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 0-12.
A.M.		0	5	3	3	3	7	0	10	0	2.1
P.M.		0	6	3	4	3	7	1	7	0	2.0
Sum.		0	11	6	7	6	14	1	17	0	2.1

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Return verified by

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First see that the Vernier is raised above the mercury, then lower it till its front and back edge both just touch, that is, form a tangent to, the highest part of the mercury column. The top of the mercury is usually slightly convex, and care must be taken not to bring the Vernier down to where the front of the mercury touches the glass, which is below the real top of the column.

The attached thermometer should be read and noted before setting the barometer; as its readings may be affected by heat from the Observer's body while handling the instrument.

The errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1·000 inch, 0·100 inch, and 0·050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29·365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 30·365, 29·265, or 29·315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

## DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf Buds first Appen.	In Leaf.	Divested of Leaves.	CROPS mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Harvesting or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . . .			
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, . . . . .			
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .			
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .			
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .			
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .			
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . . .			
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . . .			
Sycamore or Plane,					Rye Grass, . . . . .			

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	First in Blossom.	First Ripe, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .			Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Boutree or Elder, . . . . .		Black Currant, . . . . .			Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .			House-Swallow, . . . . .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .			Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . . . .			Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .			Sand-Martin, . . . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .			Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .			Swan, . . . . .		
Mezereon, . . . . .		Strawberry, . . . . .			Rail or Corn Crane, . . . . .		
Mountain Ash or Rowan, . . . . .							
Red Flowering Currant, . . . . .							
Rhododendron Ponticum, . . . . .							
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# FOR TAKING METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

## RAIN GAUGE.

The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. each day, and the amount entered to the *previous day on the Schedule*: thus the quantity measured at 9 A.M. on the 5th should be put down on the line containing the observations of the 4th of the month, since out of the twenty-four hours ending at 9 A.M. on 5th, fifteen belong to the 4th and only nine to the 5th, so that the amount may more properly be credited to the former day. The monthly total for, say, January is thus what falls between 9 A.M. on 1st January and 9 A.M. on 1st February.

The measuring glass is divided to hundredths of an inch—the highest line indicating ·50, that is fifty hundredths or half an inch. The amount should be entered on the Schedule thus: if up to say the sixth line in the glass as ·06, if up to the twenty-third line as ·23, if up to the thirtieth line as ·30, and so on, there being always two figures put down to the right of the decimal point. Care should be taken to avoid entering ·08 as simply 8, or ·30 as ·3, as this may cause confusion when adding the figures to get the total for the month.

When the fall exceeds one fill of the measuring glass it is necessary to measure it in portions, and each successive reading should be jotted down on the flyleaf of the notebook or other convenient place before the glass is emptied. Thus after heavy rain the amounts measured might be:—

·47  
·42  
·38  
—  
1·27

The total, 1·27, would be entered on the Schedule.

The glass must be held vertically or placed on a level surface when reading. A little uncertainty is sometimes caused by the upward curvature of the water where it touches the side of the glass, but the true reading is half way between the two apparent edges of the water surface. When there is nothing in the gauge a stroke (—) should be entered on the Schedule rather than the figure 0.

**Snow or Hail** is counted as Rainfall, and should be melted and measured as such. The upper part of the gauge may be taken indoors, and what is lying in it thawed. To save time, especially if snow or rain be then falling, it is convenient to add a measured quantity of warm water to the snow in the gauge, this quantity being afterwards deducted from the total to get the amount that has fallen. The depth of snow lying on the ground should be noted in the Remarks column.

In gauges, such as Flemings, in which a float and measuring rod is used, the rod should be removed or tied down below the level of the rim, except when a measurement is being taken, because if allowed to project above the gauge, it would prevent it catching the true amount of fall.

If a gauge is only read once a month this should be done on the morning of the 1st, and the amount entered to the previous month.

The Rain Gauge should be placed in an open situation, if possible with no elevated objects close to it, in any case trees, walls, etc., should never be nearer to the gauge in horizontal distance than their own height. The gauge should be firmly fixed with its rim 12 inches above ground; if surrounded by grass, care must be taken that it is never allowed to grow as high as the rim. The gauges at most Stations are five inches in diameter, though a few of larger or smaller size are also in use. A convenient way of fixing a gauge in position is to drive four stout wooden pegs from 12 to 18 inches long into the ground, one at each side of the gauge.

## ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

## WIND, CLOUD, SUNSHINE, ETC.

### WIND.

The direction and force of the Wind should be noted at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M. In confined situations where the true direction cannot be easily observed, it is best to ascertain this by watching the movement of smoke from chimneys, or even of the lower clouds. The force of the wind should be noted according to the scale given on the other side of the Schedule.

At Stations where an Anemometer is in use, the readings at 9 A.M. each day should be put down in the column provided, the values being entered to the previous day, as in the case of the Rainfall.

### CLOUDS.

The amount of Cloud should be estimated on the scale, 0 to 10, 0 indicating a clear and 10 an overcast sky. Only the part of the sky over 30° above the horizon should be taken into account, as it is impossible to estimate the space covered by Clouds nearer the horizon. A convenient table for noting briefly the species of Cloud will be found on the other side of the Schedule. It is desirable to note, if possible, the direction from which the Clouds are moving. If there is more than one layer of clouds on the sky, they should be noted.

Thus, for example, 

Cir. W.	4
Cum. Str. S.W.	2

 would indicate that four-tenths of the sky was covered with cirrus moving from the West, and two-tenths with cumulus moving from the S.W.

### SUNSHINE.

This column is primarily for those Stations where a Sunshine Recorder is kept; at other Stations, however, the Observer may note in it the number of hours each day that the sun shines with sufficient clearness to cast a distinct shadow.

### RADIATION THERMOMETERS.

A MAXIMUM THERMOMETER, with its bulb blackened and enclosed in an outer glass bulb exhausted of air, is used at many stations to register the highest temperature in the sun. It should be mounted horizontally about four feet above ground with its bulb pointing south, and should be read and set at 9 P.M.

A MINIMUM THERMOMETER on grass is used to register the lowest radiation temperature at night. It should be placed on wooden supports a few inches above the surface of the grass. It may be read and set at 9 P.M., but in warm weather, as the spirit in this instrument is liable to evaporate when exposed to bright sunshine and to condense again in the upper part of the tube, it is better to read it at 9 A.M., to put it inside the screen during the day, and to set and replace it at 9 P.M.

### THERMOMETERS UNDER GROUND.

These should be read at 9 A.M., and the readings entered on the day on which they are made.

### REMARKS.

In the Remarks column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder, or Lightning, or both together; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the sun or moon; Fogs, Gales or Storms, and generally of all noteworthy Weather phenomena.

The table and additional lines on the back of the Schedule are for the use of those Observers who wish to record Notes connected with the changes of the Seasons, such as the growth of Crops, Fruit, etc., and the migrations of Birds; also the prevalence of Diseases in man, in the lower animals, and in plants. Such observations are often of great interest and utility when taken in conjunction with the ordinary Meteorological records.

## SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Observations taken at Aberdeen Duthie Park County of AberdeenDuring the MONTH of August 1907Lat. 57° 9' N, Long. 2° 16' W, Distance from Sea 2 miles. Height of Cistern of the Barometer above Mean Sea-Level 44 feet, above Ground 4 feet.Diameter of Rain Gauge 3 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 12 inches

The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

Days of Month.	BAROMETER.				SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS. Read Daily, at 9 P.M.			HYGROMETER.		RAIN.	WIND.				CLOUDS.				SUNSHINE. Hours.	THERMOMETERS under Ground.					GENERAL REMARKS.  Occurrence of Snow, Hail, Thunder, Lightning, Fog, Gales, Meteors, Auroras, Remarkable Depression or Elevation of Barometer, etc.  Mention the hour at which Storms, including Thunder and Lightning, began and ended.	Days of Month.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 737  
Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32° = 734  
Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, = + 49  
Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, = 29.783  
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th, =  
Lowest Do. Do., on the th, =  
Difference, or Monthly Range, =

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Sum.		1	3	3	3	6	21	10	15	0	2.4

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FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf Buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Directed of Leaves.	CROPS mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Appearing above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Out or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane,					Rye Grass, . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	First in Blossom, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .		Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Bourtree or Elder, .		Black Currant, .		Curdew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .		House-Swallow, .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .		Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . .		Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .		Sand-Martin, . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .		Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .		Swan, . . . . .		
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REMARKS.

In the Remarks column should be noted all occurrences of Snow, Hail, or Heavy Rain; of Thunder or Lightning, or both together; of all Auroras, Meteors, or Halos round the sun or moon; of Fogs, Gales or Storms, and generally of all noteworthy Weather phenomena.

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## SCOTTISH METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Observations taken at Duthie Park, Aberdeen, County of Aberdeen, During the MONTH of September 1904.  
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Diameter of Rain Gauge 1.25 inches. Height of Rim of Gauge above Ground 1.2 inches.  
The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

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	9 A.M.		9 P.M.		Protected in Screen, 4 feet above Ground.		Black Bulb, Max. in Sun.		Min. on Grass.		9 A.M.			9 P.M.		9 A.M.		9 P.M.		9 A.M.			9 P.M.		9 A.M.												
	Barometer.	Attached Thermometer.	Barometer.	Attached Thermometer.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.		Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.	Amount at 9 A.M.	Direction.	Force, Scale of 0-12.	Direction.	Force, Scale of 0-12.	Amount at 9 A.M.		Species and Direction.	Amount (0-10).	Species and Direction.	Amount (0-10).	No. 3 ins.			No. 12 ins.	No. 22 ins.	No. 36 ins.	No. 48 ins.				
	No.	inches.	°	No.	inches.	°	°	°	No.	°	°	°		°	°	°	°	°	°	°	°		°	°	°	°	°			°	°	°	°	°			
1	30.000	54	29.750	54	58.2	37.5					48.0	43.6	48.0	47.0	0.11	W	2	SW	1		ci	3	N	10										fair & clear, some slight rain late P.M.	1		
2	29.550	55	29.450	55	57.0	46.3					50.5	49.6	46.5	46.0	0.38	SE	2	N	4		ci	10	N	10									fair rain most of the day.	2			
3	29.627	53	29.750	52	53.0	35.0					44.0	39.0	40.5	35.0	0.20	W	2	W	1		ci	4		0									fair breeze, cool all day mild P.M.	3			
4	29.800	52	29.875	53	55.0	33.0					45.0	42.0	45.0	45.0	0.43	W	2	S	4		ci	3	ci	6									fair white frost, cool dry all day.	4			
5	29.565	54	29.650	54	65.0	46.0					50.2	49.6	56.0	54.0	0.40	S	4	SW	4		cu	4	cu	4									been heavy rain, fair 9.4 M fine all day.	5			
6	29.750	55	29.500	56	63.0	45.0					55.0	52.0	53.5	51.5	0.00	SW	4	SW	2		ci	8	ci	4									fair fine all day.	6			
7	30.000	55	30.250	57	65.8	45.0					52.5	49.0	54.8	53.0	0.07	SW	2	NE	2		ci	3	ci	6									Do. Do. slight rain at P.M. fair.	7			
8	30.450	57	30.645	57	63.8	41.6					53.5	49.5	57.0	49.5	0.42	SW	2	SW	1		ci	8	ci	6									fair very fine all day.	8			
9	30.500	57	30.470	57	67.5	51.0					54.4	52.5	53.5	51.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	1		0		0										fair fine all day.	9			
10	30.250	58	30.225	58	75.3	45.0					56.2	55.0	59.0	56.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		0		0										fine & clear all day.	10			
11	30.200	59	30.200	60	63.6	45.1					57.5	57.0	53.0	51.0	0.00	SW	4	SW	1		0		0										Do. Do.	11			
12	30.150	59	30.125	61	67.3	51.0					58.2	56.0	55.6	54.5	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		ci	6		0									Do. Do.	12			
13	30.125	59	30.175	58	67.0	46.0					55.5	54.0	55.0	53.0	0.06	SW	2	W	2		0	ci	6										Do. Do.	13			
14	30.000	59	30.250	56	60.0	41.0					54.2	50.8	51.5	48.5	0.00	W	4	W	2		ci	5		0									Do. Do.	14			
15	30.300	57	30.275	59	67.3	35.0					52.4	45.7	53.0	53.0	1.05	W	2	W	1		ci	4	ci	8									Do. Do.	15			
16	30.025	57	30.190	60	72.0	51.0					57.0	54.6	51.5	47.5	0.00	SW	2	W	2		ci	6		0									Do. Do.	16			
17	30.315	57	30.350	60	62.0	47.8					53.0	49.0	53.0	50.0	0.00	W	3	SW	2		ci	4	ci	8									fair & fine dull cool fine dull P.M.	17			
18	30.400	58	30.475	59	71.0	45.0					57.8	54.0	55.0	55.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	3		0		0										Do. Do. clear very fine all day.	18			
19	30.400	56	30.450	62	71.2	44.8					52.8	45.0	52.0	44.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		0		0										Do. Do.	19			
20	30.435	58	30.450	59	67.0	46.6					54.7	50.0	56.0	54.0	0.00	S	2	W	1		ci	10	ci	8									Do. Do. dull after 2 P.M.	20			
21	30.450	56	30.600	52	63.0	51.5					52.0	50.0	53.0	52.0	0.00	W	2	W	1		ci	4	ci	6									fair, dull cool all day.	21			
22	30.475	56	30.500	56	58.0	37.0					54.2	54.0	49.0	46.5	0.00	SW	2	W	4		ci	5	ci	6									fair fine all day cool.	22			
23	30.120	56	30.000	60	64.4	41.5					56.0	54.0	54.0	51.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		ci	6		0									Do. Do. warm	23			
24	29.900	58	29.875	61	62.2	51.4					56.8	56.6	55.0	53.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		ci	4		0									Do. Do.	24			
25	29.825	56	29.825	60	66.2	46.5					52.0	54.0	54.0	52.0	0.00	SW	2	SW	2		ci	6	haze	10									Do. Do.	25			
26	29.775	58	29.915	61	65.0	46.7					55.4	55.0	56.0	54.5	0.01	S	2	SW	2		fog	10	ci	5									some fog some slight rain then fair.	26			
27	29.875	57	29.975	60	55.5	53.5					53.4	48.0	54.0	52.0	0.00	SW	1	SE	2		fog	10	fog	10									heavy drizzle fog all day.	27			
28	30.000	53	30.000	58	59.2	45.0					50.0	46.0	53.0	52.0	0.00	S	1	S	2		ci	6		0									fog clearing fair fine clear P.M.	28			
29	30.000	58	29.950	57	59.4	49.0					53.0	51.0	50.0	54.0	0.00	S	2	S	2		ci	6		0									fair fine all day fog 10 m	29			
30	29.850	55	29.350	58	52.0	48.8					50.0	48.0	50.0	47.4	0.00	SW	2	S	1		fog	10	fog	10									fog more or less all day	30			
31																																					31
Sums.	1295	19	1206	12	779	475.5					1032	66	989	119	1.05	66	59				145	123															
Means.	30.071	56.4	30.086	57.8	62.6	45.9					53.5	50.2	53.0	50.4		2.2	2.0				4.8	4.1															
Correc- tions for Instru- mental Errors.	-0.10		-0.10																																		
Correc- tions for Diurnal Range.																																					
Cor- rected Means	30.061		30.076																																		

NOTATION USED IN GENERAL REMARKS.

a.	denotes aurora.		
d.	drizzling rain.		
f.	fog.		
fr.	frost.		
h-fr.	hoar-frost.		
h.	haze.		
hl.	hail.		
l.	lightning.		
lu. co.	lunar corona.		
lu. ha.	lunar halo.		
m.	mist.		
p.	passing showers.		
r.	rain.		
r.2	heavy rain.		
sl.	sleet.		
sn.	snow.		
so. ha.	solar halo.		
q.	squall.		
q.2	violent squalls.		
t.	thunder.		
t. s.	thunder-storm.		

CLOUDS.

Cirrus.	ci.
Cirro-stratus.	ci-str.
Cirro-cumulus.	ci-cum.

MIDDLE CLOUDS.

Strato-cirrus.	str-cir.
Cumulo-cirrus.	cum-cir.

LOWER CLOUDS.

Strato-cumulus.	str-cum.
Cumulus.	cum.
Cumulo-nimbus.	cum-nim.
Nimbus.	nim.
Stratus.	str.

BEAUFORT SCALE FOR ESTIMATING FORCE OF WIND—(0-12).

FORCE.	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Calms.	Light Air.	Light Breeze.	Gentle Breeze.	Fresh Breeze.	Strong Breeze.	Whole Gale.	Storm.	Hurricane.					

BAROMETER. Corrected Mean at 9 A.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 29.987  
Corrected Mean at 9 P.M., minus Correction for Temp. = 29.998  
Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32° = 29.993  
Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, = 48  
Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, = 30.021  
Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th, =  
Lowest Do. Do., on the th, =  
Difference, or Monthly Range, =

S.-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade) Highest in Month, corrected for Index Errors, on the 10 th, = 75.3  
Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the 4 th, = 33.0  
Difference, or Monthly Range, = 42.3  
Mean of all the Highest, = 62.6  
Mean of all the Lowest, = 45.9  
Difference, or Mean Daily Range, = 16.7  
Mean Temperature of Month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), = 54.3  
S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month, =  
" " Mean, =  
Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, =

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 53.3  
Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 50.3  
Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, =  
Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, = 326  
Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), = 80  
RAIN fell on 7 Days; Amount in Inches, = 1.05

WIND.		SUMMARY.									
Direction.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 0-12.	
A.M.	-	1	-	2	5	16	2	4		2.2	
P.M.	1	3	-	1	4	15	4	2		2.0	
Sum.	1	4	0	3	9	31	6	6		2.1	

= 60

Observations made and  
Return verified by

(Signed)

N.B.—Rain to be measured at 9 A.M. and the amount entered to the previous day.  
See instructions on back of Schedule.

# INSTRUCTIONS

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It is hoped that every effort will be made to insure punctuality. When, however, an observation is taken not at the usual hours, it is requested that this be noted in a note on the Schedule.

All instruments used should be compared with a certified standard; Observers are requested to communicate with the Secretary before purchasing new or repairing old instruments.

## BAROMETER.

The Barometer should be hung in a good light and in a room not exposed to sudden changes of temperature. The upper part of the scale must not be higher than the level of the observer's eye, and the instrument must hang vertically. Barometers should not be moved from their places except by persons accustomed to the work, as they are very liable to get air into the mercury column when improperly handled. Mercorial barometers mounted in metal cases are the only sort suitable for the accurate measurement of atmospheric pressure.

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The errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1·000 inch, 0·100 inch, and 0·050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29·365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 30·365, 29·265, or 29·315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

## DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf falls first appear.	Divided of Leaves.	FRUITES.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.
Alder, . . . . .										
Ash, . . . . .										
Beech, . . . . .										
Birch, . . . . .										
Elm, . . . . .										
Larch, . . . . .										
Lime, . . . . .										
Oak, . . . . .										
Sycamore or Plane, . . . . .										

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITES.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.	First in Blossom.
Barberry, . . . . .										
Boulevard or Elder, . . . . .										
Broom, . . . . .										
Hazel, . . . . .										
Hawthorn, . . . . .										
Holly, . . . . .										
Laburnum, . . . . .										
Lilac, . . . . .										
Mezaron, . . . . .										
Mountain Ash or Rowan, . . . . .										
Red Flowering Currant, . . . . .										
Rhododendron Ponticum, . . . . .										
Whin, . . . . .										

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The Hours of Observation are of Greenwich Time.

Days of Month.	BAROMETER.				SELF-REGISTERING THERMOMETERS. Read Daily, at 9 P.M.				HYGROMETER.				RAIN.	WIND.				CLOUDS.				SUNSHINE. Hours.	THERMOMETERS under Ground.					GENERAL REMARKS.  Occurrence of Snow, Hail, Thunder, Lightning, Fog, Gales, Meteors, Auroras, Remarkable Depression or Elevation of Barometer, etc.  Mention the hour at which Storms, including Thunder and Lightning, began and ended.	Days of Month.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																
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Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level, = + 4.9  
Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, = 6.13  
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Difference, or Monthly Range, =

S.-R. THERMOMETER, (in shade) Highest in Month, corrected for Index Errors, on the 5th, = 61.0  
Lowest in Month, corrected for Index errors, on the 8th, = 30.6  
Difference, or Monthly Range, = 30.4  
Mean of all the Highest, = 53.2  
Mean of all the Lowest, = 42.7  
Difference, or Mean Daily Range, = 10.5  
Mean Temperature of Month,  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), = 48.0  
S.-R. THERMOMETER, Min. on Grass, Lowest in Month, =  
" " Mean, =  
Black Bulb, Max. in Sun, Highest in Month, =

HYGROMETER, Dry Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 47.9  
Wet Bulb, Mean of A.M. and P.M. Readings, = 46.5  
Computed Temperature of Dew-Point, =  
Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, = 29.9  
Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), = 91  
RAIN fell on 19 Days; Amount in Inches, = 5.30

WIND.		SUMMARY.									
Direction.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	Mean Force 0-12.	
A.M.		4	1	3	10	8	2	3			
P.M.		1	8	2	3	11	5	1			
Sum.	1	12	3	6	21	13	3	3	0	1.8	

Observations made and Return verified by

(Signed)

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See instructions on back of Schedule.X Will you kindly send me a few Schedule  
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First see that the Vernier is raised above the mercury, then lower it till its front and back edge both just touch, that is, form a tangent to, the highest part of the mercury column. The top of the mercury is usually slightly convex, and care must be taken not to bring the Vernier down to where the front of the mercury touches the glass, which is below the real top of the column.

The attached thermometer should be read and noted before setting the barometer, as its readings may be affected by heat from the Observer's body while handling the instrument.

The errors most frequently made in reading the barometer are mistakes of 1/1000 inch, 0.100 inch, and 0.050 inch; that is to say, instead of 29.365 one of the following is sometimes set down—viz. 30.365, 29.265, or 29.315. Experience having shown that even the best Observers occasionally make these mistakes, the reading, after it is written down, should be compared again with the scale.

DATES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERIODICAL RETURN OF THE SEASONS.

FOREST TREES.	In Flower.	Leaf Buds first Appear.	In Leaf.	Directed or Leaves.	CROPS mentioning variety.	Sowing or Planting.	Apparatus above Ground.	In Ear or Flower.	First Cut or Raised.
Alder, . . . . .					Barley, . . . . .				
Ash, . . . . .					Bere or Bigg, . . . . .				
Beech, . . . . .					Oats, . . . . .				
Birch, . . . . .					Wheat, . . . . .				
Elm, . . . . .					Beans, . . . . .				
Larch, . . . . .					Pease, . . . . .				
Lime, . . . . .					Potatoes, . . . . .				
Oak, . . . . .					Turnips, . . . . .				
Sycamore or Plane,					Rye Grass, . . . . .				

SHRUBS, ETC.	First in Blossom.	FRUITS.	First in Blossom, generally.	MIGRATORY BIRDS.	First Arrival.	Departure.
Barberry, . . . . .		Apple, . . . . .		Cuckoo, . . . . .		
Bourtree or Elder, . . . . .		Black Currant, . . . . .		Curlew, . . . . .		
Broom, . . . . .		Cherry, . . . . .		Horse-Swallow, . . . . .		
Hazel, . . . . .		Gean, . . . . .		Lapwing, . . . . .		
Hawthorn, . . . . .		Gooseberry, . . . . .		Plover, . . . . .		
Holly, . . . . .		Peach, . . . . .		Sand-Martin, . . . . .		
Laburnum, . . . . .		Pear, . . . . .		Starling, . . . . .		
Lilac, . . . . .		Plum, . . . . .		Swan, . . . . .		
Mezereon, . . . . .		Strawberry, . . . . .		Rail or Corn Crane, . . . . .		
Mountain Ash or Rowan, . . . . .						
Red Flowering Currant, . . . . .						
Rhododendron Ponticum, . . . . .						
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The Society will be glad to receive any portions of the information indicated in this table that may come under the Observer's notice.

FOR TAKING METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

RAIN GAUGE.

The Rain Gauge should be read at 9 A.M. each day, and the amount entered to the previous day on the Schedule: thus the quantity measured at 9 A.M. on the 5th should be put down on the line containing the observations of the 4th of the month, since out of the twenty-four hours ending at 9 A.M. on 5th, fifteen belong to the 4th and only nine to the 5th, so that the amount may more properly be credited to the former day. The monthly total for, say, January is thus what falls between 9 A.M. on 1st January and 9 A.M. on 1st February.

The measuring glass is divided to hundredths of an inch—the highest line indicating .50, that is fifty hundredths or half an inch. The amount should be entered on the Schedule thus: if up to say the sixth line in the glass as .06, if up to the twenty-third line as .23, if up to the thirtieth line as .30, and so on, there being always two figures put down to the right of the decimal point. Care should be taken to avoid entering .05 as simply 8, or .30 as .3, as this may cause confusion when adding the figures to get the total for the month.

When the fall exceeds one fill of the measuring glass it is necessary to measure it in portions, and each successive reading should be jotted down on the flyleaf of the notebook or other convenient place before the glass is emptied. Thus after heavy rain the amounts measured might be:—

.47  
.49  
.38  
1.27

The total, 1.27, would be entered on the Schedule.

The glass must be held vertically or placed on a level surface when reading. A little uncertainty is sometimes caused by the upward curvature of the water where it touches the side of the glass, but the true reading is half way between the two apparent edges of the water surface. When there is nothing in the gauge a stroke (—) should be entered on the Schedule rather than the figure 0.

Snow or hail is counted as Rainfall, and should be melted and measured as such. The upper part of the gauge may be taken indoors, and what is lying in it thawed. To save time, especially if snow or rain be then falling, it is convenient to add a measured quantity of warm water to the snow in the gauge, this quantity being afterwards deducted from the total to get the amount that has fallen. The depth of snow lying on the ground should be noted in the Remarks column.

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS.

WIND, CLOUD, SUNSHINE, ETC.

WIND.

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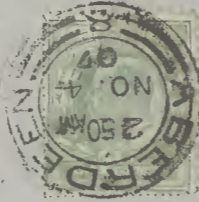
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P.M.	2 4 2 10 7 4 0	0	2.0
Sum.	0 3 0 9 5 22 13 8	0	2.1

Observations made and Return verified by Peter Harper

(Signed)

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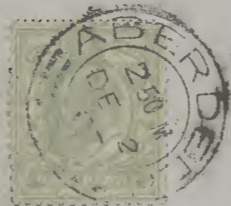
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	Mean at Station, corrected, and at 32°,.....		589	569
	Correction for height, feet above Mean Sea-level,.....		+ 0	50
	Mean, reduced to 32°, and Sea-level, .....		589	619
	Highest Reading, corrected for Index error, on the th,.....			
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<b>Mean Temperature of Month,</b> $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mean Max. + Mean Min.), .....	=	388
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"      " <b>Mean,</b> .....	=	
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 Do. Elastic Force of Vapour, ..... = 1.197  
 Do. Relative Humidity (Saturation = 100), ..... = 86  
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