

No. 23.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Acting Governor, with the Advice of the Executive Council, has fixed the Police Rate for the year 1863 at Eight-and-a-half per cent for Houses in the City of Victoria, and Five per cent for Houses in the Villages of this Island.

In addition to which on Houses in Victoria a Lighting Rate of One-and-a-half per cent will be levied, in accordance with the terms of Ordinance No. 11 of 1856.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 21st February, 1863.

WEATHER TABLES FOR THE PAST WEEK.

REGISTER AT HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

1863.		6 A.M.		NOON.		6 P.M.	
		Barometer.	Thermometer.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Barometer.	Thermometer.
Feb.	21,	30.27	68	30.27	66	30.22	65
"	22,	30.30	67	30.29	66	30.30	67
"	23,	30.31	66	30.31	67	30.32	66
"	24,	30.34	66	30.30	69	30.30	66
"	25,	30.30	66	30.30	67	30.21	68
"	26,	30.23	68	30.20	72	30.20	72
"	27,	30.30	70	30.26	69	30.27	68

REGISTER AT BLOCK HOUSE, VICTORIA PEAK.

Height above Sea Level 1,770 feet.

DATE.	BAROMETER.					HYDROMETER.						THERMOMETER.		WINDS.						REMARKS AS TO WEATHER.		
						DRY BULB.			WET BULB.			Self Registering		Force, ranges from 0 to 12.								
														6 A.M.		NOON.		6 P.M.				
														Dirn. F.		Dirn. F.		Dirn. F.				
1863.																						
Feb.	21	28.29	28.32	28.29	28.27	28.26	59.15	62.00	58.30	59.00	59.00	56.00	59.00	63.00	EbN	4	E½S	4	EbN	4	6 A.M. fog, wet dew; from 8 A.M. fine.	
"	22	28.30	28.35	28.32	28.29	28.26	56.00	62.30	58.30	54.00	58.00	56.00	54.00	63.00	E½N	4	EbN	3	E½S	5	{ Very fine, heavy squall, during past night.	
"	23	28.32	28.36	28.36	28.35	28.31	58.00	65.00	65.00	54.00	61.00	61.00	54.00	59.00	E½S	4	—	0	—	0	Very fine.	
"	24	28.33	28.39	28.38	28.33	28.32	58.00	63.00	62.00	57.30	59.00	59.00	57.00	64.30	EbN	3	EbS	3	EbS	2	6 A.M. fog, wet dew; from 8 A.M. very fine.	
"	25	28.30	28.34	28.30	28.26	28.25	58.00	61.30	61.00	55.00	57.00	58.30	55.00	63.00	E	3	EbS	5	EbS	3	Very fine.	
"	26	28.28	28.33	28.32	28.29	28.27	61.00	69.00	67.00	59.00	65.00	62.30	59.00	70.00	NE	1	—	0	NW	4	Do.	
"	27	28.33	28.36	28.34	28.30	28.30	59.00	65.00	62.00	57.00	61.00	59.00	57.00	66.00	EbN	5	NE	2	E½S	1	Do.	