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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the ACTING GOVERNOR is pleased to direct that *Christmas Day, the 26th Instant, New Year's Day, and the 2nd Proximo*, be observed as Holidays by the various Departments of Government.

By Order,

W. H. ALEXANDER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th December, 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.
December 19,	30.36	64	30.35	64	30.33	64
" 20,	30.31	65	30.24	64	30.25	64
" 21,	30.26	65	30.26	65	30.27	66
" 22,	30.27	66	30.26	66	30.23	67
" 23,	30.32	65	30.31	65	30.33	66
" 24,	30.33	66	30.32	66	30.38	65
" 25,	30.40	63	30.38	60	30.38	60

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.		
	6 A.M.	9 A.M.	NOON.	3 P.M.	6 P.M.	6 A.M.	NOON.	6 P.M.	6 A.M.	NOON.	6 P.M.	Min.	Max.	Dira.	F.	Dira.	F.	Dira.	F.	
1863.																				
Dec. 19	28.40	28.40	28.40	28.35	28.34	51.00	57.00	53.30	49.30	52.30	51.00	49.30	57.30	E	2	E	2	E	2	Fine.
" 20	28.32	28.35	28.34	28.37	28.40	52.00	55.30	54.30	49.30	55.30	52.30	49.00	59.00	E	4	E	2	E	2	Do.
" 21	28.32	28.35	28.35	28.28	28.29	55.30	61.30	60.00	53.00	58.30	56.00	52.00	62.30	NE	1	EbN	1	E	2	Fine, though hazy
" 22	28.34	28.38	28.36	28.32	28.32	57.30	59.00	57.30	54.00	57.00	54.00	53.00	61.30	NEbE	2	E	3	E	4	Very fine.
" 23	28.30	28.35	28.35	28.32	28.30	54.00	57.00	50.30	52.00	55.00	49.00	53.00	57.30	E	5	E	3	E	3	Cloudy and passing for.
" 24	28.35	28.37	28.37	28.35	28.37	54.00	60.00	58.00	52.30	56.00	55.00	53.00	62.00	NE	3	NEbN	1	NE	1	Fine, but very hazy.
" 25	28.39	28.44	28.36	28.36	28.36	51.00	53.00	52.00	49.00	51.00	50.00	49.30	54.30	E	2	EbN	1	NE	1	Cloudy.