

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 560.

It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, in accordance with instructions from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint BASIL R. H. TAYLOR to be Assistant Harbour Master for this Colony, with effect from the 22nd September, 1899.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 10th October, 1899.

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The following Extract of Meteorological Observations, made at the Hongkong Observatory for the month of September, 1899, is published.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 11th October, 1899.

EXTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, MADE AT THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1899.

DATE.	BAROMETER AT M.S.L.	TEMPERATURE.			HUMIDITY.		CLOUDINESS.	SUNSHINE.	RAIN.	WIND.	
		Max.	Mean.	Min.	Rel.	Abs.				Dir.	Vel.
	ins.	°	°	°	p. c.	ins.	p. c.	hrs.	ins.	Points.	Miles. p. h.
1,.....	29.80	84.7	81.0	77.7	85	0.90	90	5.9	0.175	E by N	19.5
2,.....	.87	83.8	80.3	78.0	89	.92	83	1.3	0.165	ESE	7.2
3,.....	.91	85.0	80.9	77.4	85	.89	56	10.4	0.030	E by S	8.2
4,.....	.92	85.4	81.8	78.4	80	.86	26	9.2	...	E	9.0
5,.....	.94	86.0	82.2	78.4	78	.86	10	11.2	...	E	8.6
6,.....	.91	88.8	82.7	77.8	79	.88	36	10.1	...	ESE	3.5
7,.....	.87	85.3	81.2	78.6	83	.88	77	4.6	...	E by S	10.1
8,.....	.93	82.4	80.2	76.1	81	.84	90	6.0	0.370	E	18.0
9,.....	.98	82.9	80.5	78.3	75	.79	48	9.7	...	E by N	16.8
10,.....	.96	85.5	81.1	77.4	77	.81	54	8.6	...	E	6.0
11,.....	.93	86.7	79.7	75.7	88	.89	71	3.3	1.365	SE by E	1.9
12,.....	.92	87.1	80.6	76.4	80	.85	51	7.9	0.010	E by S	3.6
13,.....	.92	84.7	80.4	76.6	83	.86	75	5.0	0.165	E	12.3
14,.....	.91	81.1	79.2	75.0	83	.83	100	0.0	3.780	E by N	20.0
15,.....	.90	81.9	79.8	78.1	78	.80	100	0.1	...	E by N	21.8
16,.....	.90	82.9	80.6	78.7	72	.76	35	10.8	...	E by N	20.9
17,.....	.87	85.7	82.2	79.5	74	.81	24	10.7	...	E	21.3
18,.....	.82	85.5	82.2	79.9	78	.85	34	9.9	...	E	18.4
19,.....	.77	87.5	82.7	79.2	78	.87	46	10.0	...	E by S	9.1
20,.....	.75	89.8	82.5	78.1	77	.86	61	8.7	...	E by N	7.9
21,.....	.80	82.7	79.0	75.9	79	.78	81	3.0	0.100	E by N	8.2
22,.....	.87	84.1	78.7	75.2	77	.75	46	7.7	0.035	E by S	6.7
23,.....	.90	83.0	78.6	75.0	74	.72	10	7.0	...	ESE	6.7
24,.....	.90	83.3	78.5	73.8	71	.69	34	9.5	0.110	ESE	7.7
25,.....	.85	85.5	78.9	74.3	75	.74	22	8.3	...	S by E	3.0
26,.....	.85	86.7	81.0	76.2	74	.79	37	7.7	...	S by W	4.2
27,.....	.88	88.9	82.2	77.4	48	.53	41	6.3	...	N by E	11.5
28,.....	.95	83.0	77.3	71.6	55	.52	80	3.1	...	N by E	17.4
29,.....	.97	82.7	76.0	71.6	63	.57	86	2.0	...	NE by N	12.4
30,.....	.98	83.7	77.8	73.0	40	.38	22	10.2	...	N by E	16.9
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Mean or Total,	29.89	84.9	80.3	76.6	75	0.78	54	208.2	6.305	E by N	11.3

The following notices have been issued by Mr. FIGG during the month :—

On the 7th at 11 55 a.—“The barometer has fallen slightly on the China coast. There are indications of a depression, moving Northwards, in the Pacific to the E. of the Loochoos. Pressure is still high over China with a slight gradient for NE winds on the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea.” Forecast :—“light or moderate NE winds ; fair.”

On the 8th at 11.45 a.—“The barometer has risen on the China coast. The depression is probably moving towards NE in Central Japan. Pressure remains high over China, with a slight gradient for NE winds on the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea.” Forecast :—“moderate NE winds ; fair.”