## METEOROLOGICAL AND BOTANICAL ABSTRACT, FOR THE SUMMER QUARTER, 1869-70.

	Mean in Shade.				Black d.	ioi	Wind.		Rain.		osed
Months.	Pressure. Barometer corrected to 32°.	Temperature of Air.	Maximum of Air.	Minimum of Air.	Solar Intensity Bl Bulb Insulated.	Terrestrial Radiation on Grass.	Prevailing Currents.	Force.	[c]	Amount collected.	Evaporation exposed to open Sky.
	Inches.	٥	٥	٥	٠,٥			ībs.		In.	In.
Dec Jan Feb	29°739 29°758 29°928	61 55 66 62 63 45	84 99 92	40 45 42	107.36 107.36	38 o 42 5 39 o	N.W., S.E. N.W., S.E. N.W., S.E.	78.83 92.63 60.88	9	1°47 4'57 0'35	5'80 5.00 5'32
Mean	29.805	63.87	91.6	42*3	107.39	39.83	NW., SE.	77.44	26	6:39	16,15

The mean in all cases is taken from the sums of the three daily registers,

and not from the maximum and minimum.

The direction of the wind is registered from currents moving at a height of 192 feet, and the force according to Lind's Wind Guage. The supposition, however, of a uniform velocity during the month is a very arbitrary one, and the results can be considered only approximately correct.

The relations of the quantities of rain which fell under the different winds

are registered each evening at sundown.

The twenty-five years' standard tables are used for obtaining the difference from the average.

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## Leafing, Flowering, and Fruiting of a few Standard Plants in the Royal Society's Gardens, for the Summer Quarter, 1869.

December 10th.—First Red Current ripe.

- 11th.—Common Privet commencing to flower. 14th.—Black Currants commencing to ripen. 15th.—Melia azederach commencing to flower. ,, 16th.—Doyenne d'Ete Pear commencing to ripen. ,,
- 20th.—Juneating Apple ditto ditto. January 1st. - First Apricot (Royal) gathered.

8th. -Grevillea robusta in full flower. ,,

9th.—Jargonelle Pear ripe.

,, 12th.—Mulberries commencing to ripen. 22 14th.—Veronica angustifolia in full flower.

February 1st.—Kerry Pippin Apple commencing to ripen. ,, 2nd.—Windsor Pear ditto ditto.

6th.—Greengage Plum ditto ditto. ,,

15th.—Common Ash commencing to shed seed. ,,

18th-Sycamore ditto ditto

Note.—Red Currants were six days, Privet six days, Black Currants six days, Melia azederach three days, Doyenne d'Ete Pear two days, Juneating Apple five days, Apricot nine days, and Grevillea two days later than last season; and Kerry Pippin Apple was three days, Windsor Pear four days, Ash three days, and Sycamore four days earlier. The remainder were about the same time as last year.