

ORIGINAL MONTHLY RECORD OF OBSERVATIONS at RICHMOND, VA., for the Month of December, 1899.

DATE. 1899.	TEMPERATURE.							PRECIPITATION.										CHARACTER OF DAY.	DATE. 1899.											
	Maximum. (b)	Minimum. (b)	Range. (b)	Change. (b)	Mean. (Max. and Min.) (b)	Normal.	Departure.	TOTAL EXCESS OR DEFICIENCY.		8 A. M.		8 P. M.		TOTAL. 8 p. m. to 8 p. m. (b) ††	Normal.	Departure.	TOTAL EXCESS OR DEFICIENCY.			SNOWFALL. (Inches and tenths.)		Average daily cloudiness (0 to 10).								
								Since 1st of month.	Since Jan. 1st.	Character.	Beginning.	Ending.	Character.				Beginning.			Ending.	Since 1st of month.		Since Jan. 1st.	Unmelted. 8 p. m. to 8 p. m. (b) †	On ground at 8 p. m. (b) †					
1	67	42	25	0	54																	5	Partly Cloudy	1						
2	57	43	14	4	50					R	-----	D.N.										0	Clear	2						
3	62	35	27	2	48																	0	Clear	3						
4	57	36	21	4	44					R	D.N.	D.N.										2	Clear	4						
5	42	29	13	6	36																	0	Clear	5						
6	52	30	22	5	41																	3	Clear	6						
7	39	26	13	9	32																	7	Partly Cloudy	7						
8	57	34	23	14	46																	3	Clear	8						
9	53	31	22	4	42																	7	Partly Cloudy	9						
10	52	40	12	4	46																	10	Cloudy	10						
11	68	48	20	12	58																	6	Partly Cloudy	11						
12	66	49	17	0	58					R	6:00 a.m.	-----	R	-----	8:15 a.m.							4	Partly Cloudy	12						
13	64	40	24	6	52																	4	Partly Cloudy	13						
14	58	39	19	4	48																	6	Partly Cloudy	14						
15	48	30	18	9	39																	2	Clear	15						
16	37	26	11	7	32																	1	Clear	16						
17	51	26	25	6	38																	3	Clear	17						
18	60	34	26	9	47																	7	Partly Cloudy	18						
19	66	42	24	7	54																	8	Cloudy	19						
20	50	32	18	13	41					R	-----	10:55 p.m. ^{19°}										0	Clear	20						
21	54	29	25	1	42																	0	Clear	21						
22	55	29	26	0	42																	0	Clear	22						
23	49	29	20	3	39																	9	Cloudy	23						
24	55	40	15	9	48					R	8:30 p.m. ^{23°}	7:25 a.m.										3	Clear	24						
25	41	27	14	14	34																	8	Cloudy	25						
26	34	23	11	6	28																	0	Clear	26						
27	33	19	14	2	26																	1.2	1.2	7	Partly Cloudy	27				
28	33	22	11	2	28					S	-----	D.N.										.9	1.0	8	Cloudy	28				
29	26	16	10	7	21																	1.0	4	Partly Cloudy	29					
30	23	11	12	4	17																	0.9	2	Clear	30					
31	26	4	22	2	15																	0.9	0	Clear	31					
S	1526	962	564	127	1244		(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	2.33	(a)	(a)	(a)	2.1	(a)	119	(a)	(a)
M	492	310	182	6.9	401		(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	3.8	(a)	(a)

† Use the following abbreviations: R—rain, S^d—dry snow, S^m—moist snow, Sl—sleet, H—hail. †† T indicates trace of precipitation.