

of 1885-6, and the following Table is a *précis* of them :—

TABLE VI.

	Temperature.			Rain.	Wind.
	Mean of maxima.	Mean of minima.	Mean of means.		
December	75·7	54·6	65·1	Nil.	N.
January	74·8	51·7	63·3	Nil.	{N.W. N.
February	78·9	55·2	67	Nil.	N.
March	84	58·6	71·3	Nil.	N.

No barometrical readings were taken. The observations were made twice daily at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., and show a temperature record about 5° Fahr. higher than at Luxor. The air is said to be more free of dust-storms than at Luxor, and by some the winter climate is preferred.

Voyage to Second Cataract.—It is not now possible to go beyond Wady Halfa, but those who wish to see the forts there and the Temple of Abu Simbel can do so by spending three extra weeks in a dahabiyeh, or one week in a steamer. It is 210 miles from Philæ to Wady Halfa.

Defences of Egypt.—Many visitors, chiefly Americans, were deterred from coming to Egypt in the winter of 1888-9, because of the Soudanese raids