

3 in February, and only 2 in March. The dust-storms are often troublesome, though not numerous. A moderate breeze some four or five times a month carries with it a great quantity of dust, and this becomes more frequent after February.

It should be hardly necessary to say that no patients with advanced phthisis ought to be sent to winter at Luxor; neither should any of those who require to be surrounded with all modern luxuries and the treasures of culinary art. Patients with weak hearts and enlarged congested livers would be better in Cairo. Some few people who cannot, or will not, ride the ass of the country, have had themselves carried in litters to see the sights of the neighbourhood.

*Amusements.*—Unlimited donkey-riding and sketching are always to be had. The curio-lover may collect many authentic and a few manufactured antiquities; the sportsman can get good quail and duck-shooting with the help of a guide, and he may, if he chooses, shoot birds for a collection, jackals, and occasionally hyænas. There is not much fishing or boating, but excellent bathing, though the swimmer must be warned that the current is often swift—three miles an hour—and the banks are dangerously precipitate cliffs.

There are good postal and telegraph arrangements. There are enough local officials to provide