

THE WEATHER IN FEBRUARY.

Mean Temperature Rather Lower Than Usual for the Month.

Following is the weather report for February, the readings of the thermometer having been taken with a government instrument a few miles from the city:

CONDITIONS.	7 A. M.	Minimum.	Rainfall—Inches.	Maximum.	Wind.
1—Clear.....	18	18	.....	23	N.W.
2—Partly cloudy	07	06	.....	31	N.
3—Clear.....	11	11	.....	26	N.W.
4—Clear.....	12	11	.....	38	N.W.
5—Cloudy.....	26	25	.....	44	S. E.
6—Clear.....	31	30	.....	42	N.W.
7—Clear.....	23	23	.....	45	N.W.
8—Clear.....	27	25	.....	48	W.
9—Cloudy.....	33	32	.....	48	N.E.
10—Clear.....	31	30	.....	68	S.
11—Partly cloudy	48	46	.....	66	S. E.
12—Cloudy.....	55	55	.....	68	S.W.
13—Clear.....	33	31	.....	50	N.W.
14—Clear.....	31	30	.....	60	S.W.
15—Clear (1).....	30	30	.....	66	S.W.
16—Clear.....	27	26	Trace	36	N.W.
17—Clear.....	21	19	.....	45	N.
18—Cloudy (2).....	35	33	.33	46	S. E.
19—Cloudy (3).....	39	37	.10	45	N. E.
20—Cloudy (4).....	37	37	.23	44	N. E.
21—Cloudy (5).....	37	37	.11	42	N. E.
22—Cloudy (6).....	37	37	.04	40	N.W.
23—Clear.....	27	25	.....	45	N.W.
24—Clear.....	31	27	.....	54	S.W.
25—Clear.....	31	29	.....	53	S.W.
26—Clear.....	22	22	.....	45	N.W.
27—Clear.....	27	25	.....	45	N.W.
28—Clear.....	26	26	.....	45	N.W.
Averages.....	28.3	27.9	.81	46.4	

Mean temperature for the month, 37.3.
Amount of rainfall, .81 inches.

REMARKS.

1. Dash of rain at 6 P. M.
2. Rain very early in the morning, and continuing at intervals all day.
3. Mist; light rain late in the evening.
4. Rain in the evening.
5. Rain at intervals all day.
6. Rain in the morning, turning to snow before 10 o'clock A. M.

There were fogs on the 8th, 9th, and 10th.

High wind on the 15th, 16th, and 25th.

Snow fell on the 22d, but melted as it fell.

On the 2d of February the thermometer fell to 6 degrees above zero, making it the coldest day of the winter.

During the month there were eighteen clear mornings, eight cloudy, and two partly cloudy at the time of observation.

We give in the table below the mean temperature and the aggregate amount of rainfall during the month of February for the past eighteen years:

	Mean Temperature.	Rain fall. Inches.
1881	39.9	1.84
1882	46.8	3.40
1883	44.9	2.24
1884	48.1	4.81
1885	33.5	3.00
1886	35.7	3.17
1887	49.0	4.40
1888	44.7	2.39
1889	35.5	3.70
1890	49.9	3.23
1891	49.3	6.89
1892	45.8	2.71
1893	40.4	4.50
1894	43.0	4.12
1895	31.2	1.58
1896	41.7	4.31
1897	49.5	6.11
1898	37.3	.81

It will be observed that the mean temperature for this month is somewhat below the average of the corresponding month in past years.

The rainfall is the lowest in the month of February for eighteen years.