HUMIDITY OF THE AIR.

	Minster.	Museum.	Ground.
Three summer months	inches. 66·35	inches. 85.83	inches. 100
Five warmer months	64.82	84.20	100
Five colder months	52.60	73·62	100
Three winter months	49.94	70.26	100

Here it appears very clearly that the greatest disproportion is in the coldest season, and the least in the warmest months. If we take the differences between the numbers which express the rain on the Minster and Museum, and 100, we have the column marked d+d' in the table below. In the column next to this, the mean temperature of the seasons is placed; that of the whole year being $48^{\circ} \cdot 2$. Thus it clearly appears that as the mean temperature rises, the difference between the high and low gauges diminishes. The third column is formed by multiplying together the numbers in columns I. and II. The near equality of these numbers shows the dependence of this curious phænomenon on temperature to be very close and essential. The mathematical computations to which the subject leads will be found in the original memoirs (Brit. Assoc. Reports for 1833, 34, 35).

	I. $d+d'$.	II. Mean Temp.	111.
Three summer months	47 [°] .82	6°0.8	290°7·4
Five warmer months	50.68	58.5	2964.7
Five colder months	73.78	39.3	2899.5
Three winter months	79 ·80	36.3	2896.7

It is only necessary to say here, that the theory to which the whole investigation appears to conduct is very simple. "The difference in the quantity of rain, at different heights above the surface of the neighbouring ground, is caused by the continual augmentation of each drop of rain from the commencement to the end of its descent. As it traverses successively the humid