to the market and the date-palm gathered.
The temperature for October was as follows:
Maximum, day-time 96° Fahr.
night 87° "
Minimum, day-time 76° "
night 53° "

(Sig.) H. Clark,
Vice Consul

United States Consulate,
Jerusalem October 31. 1890.

No. 204

Consulate of the United States,
Jerusalem, November 3, 1890.

Honorable William F. Wharton,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Circular, dated the 20th of September last, also pamphlet (Public No. 338).

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Vice Consul

No. 205

Consulate of the United States,
Jerusalem, Nov. 24. 1890.

Honorable William F. Wharton,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In compliance with instructions of Circular dated September 20. 1890, I have the honor to enclose herewith my report on "Caoutchouc or India rubber".

I am, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,

Vice Consul.

Enclosure:
1. Report on "Caoutchouc or India Rubber".

Report on Caoutchouc or India rubber.

India rubber, not being a product of this country nor of this district, the first part of the subject relating to Caoutchouc or India rubber in its crude condition can meet with no answer from this place.

As regards the second portion of the subject, I beg to answer as follows:

11/13. India rubber does not enter into the manufactures of this country.

14. Imported crude rubber pays on either would pay 8% duty.

15/16. Manufactures of rubber in the shapes of waterproof Cloaks, boots, shoes, belting, also surgical articles are imported to the amount of $1500 to $1800. — During one year, from France, England and Germany none from the United States.

17. Eight per cent. duties ad valorem are imposed

on foreign manufactures of Rubber.
19. Sending price-lists and samples to some responsible firm at Jerusalem or Jaffa might be expedient to introduce American rubber goods.

(Signed) N. Clark.
Vice Consul.

United States Consulate,
Jerusalem, November 24. 1890.

No. 206

Consulate of the United States,
Jerusalem, November 24. 1890.

Honorable William F. Wharton,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that Rachad Pacha, who has been Governor General of Jerusalem, and Palestine, has been dismissed from his position, for unknown reason here, and Ibrahim Hakki Pacha has been appointed to the vacancy.

On new Governor arrived on the 20th instant, we trust the future will prove him to be a better one than the last.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Vice Consul.

No. 207.

Consulate of the United States,
Jerusalem, December 3. 1890.

Honorable William F. Wharton,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the use of the Agricultural Department, my "Report on the Agriculture & Horticulture of Palestine for the month of November 1890."

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Vice Consul.

Enclosure:
1. "Report on the Agriculture & Horticulture of Palestine for the month of November 1890."

Report on the Agriculture & Horticulture of Palestine for the month of November 1890.

The "former rain" which set in on the middle of this month, had almost filled the cisterns, thoroughly moisted the soil, purified the air, cooled down the temperature, and coloured the mountains & plains. The "former rain" has amounted to 4½ inches all over the Plains of Sharon. Immediately after the rain, all the farmers are ploughing; & barley, oats, wheat & clover could be seeded, also lentils & peas, some farmers planted potatoes too, which may under favorable circumstance yield two crops in this country.

Oranges though not yet ripe, have been in market in fair quantity, since the beginning of the month, these exportation has been made, from the very commencement of