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January
February
March
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May

autumn, often lasting well into December, are the glory of the year. The grand characteristic of the climate as a whole, and the one on which the weather hinges, is the Chinook wind, so called because it blows from the region formerly inhabited by the Chinook Indians, on the bank of the lower Columbia River. It is a warm, dry, balmy wind, blowing from the mountains across the plains, and its effect in winter may be described as little short of miraculous in maintaining a temperature milder than prevails in latitudes much further south.

The climatological figures given below are those collected and tabulated for the Province as a whole. In this way the reader is able to judge weather conditions for a wider area than if an isolated city were selected, although that city might experience better weather than the Provincial averages indicate.

TEMPERATURES: The equable nature of Alberta's climate is shown by the following table, which gives the mean temperature for a period of six years:

	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912
January	6.3	25.34	4.11	19.74	18.90	12.83
February	20.8	21.9	12.17	18.89	21.10	26.39
March	22.01	21.6	30.22	39.85	34.60	21.96
April	33.50	42.50	32.10	46.00	36.28	41.25
May	43.96	49.80	47.01	50.48	47.25	50.03



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