The presence also of the vast areas of low barometric pressure which hover over the adjacent ocean during the winter months tend to keep this season mild.

When a cold wave, which usually sweeps southeastward from the Yukon, across the Prairie Provinces on its way to the Atlantic, spreads southward over this province the cold northerly winds from the Mainland are tempered in crossing the inland tidal waters of the Strait of Georgia.

Respecting the annual average precipitation (rain and snow) at Victoria and certain stations, the following table shows some interesting facts:



Bridge in Beacon Hill Park

	Inches'
Victoria	27.46
Beaver Lake	34.46
Goldstream Lak	e65.70
Nanaimo	38.66
Vancouver	59.34
Halifax	56.26



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