

Annapolis, LaHave, Musquodoboit and St. Mary's. The surface is mostly hilly, but the highest elevation is only 1,200 feet.

The climate of Nova Scotia is remarkably temperate, being greatly affected by the ocean currents that surround it. The extremes of temperature are not so great along the coast as further inland, where it is subject to a larger range. Along the coast the mercury rarely falls to zero, but occasionally it falls 10° below; in summer it rises to 90° . For Nova Scotia the mean temperature of summer is 61° , of winter 23° . The average mean annual temperature is about 42° . Winter weather lasts generally from December to March. The Spring is usually backward, but vegetation is very rapid. From May to November the weather is very pleasant and healthful. In late years, since the salubrity of our summer climate, and the charm, beauty and picturesqueness of Nova Scotia scenery have become more fully known, it has become a great resort for summer tourists from the heated and overcrowded cities of the United States, who flock to the Province by thousands to recuperate their exhausted powers amidst scenes which appeal to the lover of nature, in the varied forms of beauty in which she is here arrayed, and breathing a pure and healthful atmosphere, tempered with the ocean breezes. That the climate of Nova Scotia is conducive to health and longevity, is attested to by the robust vigor of the population, and the number of people of both sexes seventy, eighty, ninety and, now and then, a hundred years of age to be found in almost every community.

Nova Scotia is noted for the extent and variety of its natural resources. Its fisheries are among the best in the world, the annual value of the exports of this article averaging seven or eight million dollars. In the island of Cape Breton and in the counties of Cumberland and Pictou are vast coal measures. The annual output of coal is steadily increasing, that of last

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