

CLIMATE

The delightful climate of Merritt and the surrounding district, is one of its most valuable assets. Situated in the Dry Belt of British Columbia, it escapes the excessive rainfall of the Coast District, and yet the mountain ranges of the neighborhood acting as collecting areas for numerous lakes and streams, insure abundance of water for irrigation and other purposes.

Spring opens early and is mild and balmy; the summers are warm and dry, and the long, genial autumn form a delightful transition to the clear, mild winters. The heat of the summer is never oppressive, for mountain and valley breezes moderate the noon-day temperature, while cool, refreshing evenings follow the warmest days.

The winters are short, lasting from two to three months at the very outside, with practically no rain to speak of.

Physicians in Vancouver and other cities strongly recommend those in ill-health to take up their abode in Merritt or the surrounding district. This alone speaks for itself, and illustrates the ideal climate Merritt has.

All kinds of outdoor sport are to be had, such as boating, fishing, shooting and hunting. All species of game are also very easily obtained with but short range from the city, including bear of the following species: grizzly, cinnamon, black and brown; deer in large quantities, and some of the best duck and goose shooting to be had in British Columbia.