

During the day, the sky resumes its usual transparency. When the equinox arrives with attending winds, this state of the weather shortly disappears. Afterwards, the rainy season sets in, and the country is deluged with rain till the beginning of December. The heavy showers which fall from the clouds during this period, are almost incredible. The ditches are filled with water, and the low grounds are inundated by numerous streams which come from the mountains. Military operations at this time are attended with many difficulties, not only from the inclemency of the weather, but from the general wetness of the soil.

Winter commences at uncertain periods in different parts of the province, owing to the variations of latitude and situation, and to the contrary states of agricultural improvement. In the eastern parts of the country, the snow falls often in the beginning of December ; but in the more southern districts, it is much later than that period. In the northern and western boundaries of the