

lovely months ever known. In July, the range of the Thermometer was from 90° to 100° , between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M.; although from the prevalence of gentle winds, the temperature was much cooler to the senses, than is above indicated. However hot may be the weather through the day, it is refreshingly cool and invigorating in the night; so that indeed a blanket is, not unusually, very acceptable. May, June, and July are pronounced "model months." In August there were just rain and warmth enough to make a healthy and fertile Country; during the hottest days, the Thermometer ranged between 90° and 94° . September was "a most lovely month" with the exception of the first two or three days, and the last six, when the wind was rather higher than usual, and the atmosphere cold and damp.

October, from the 1st. to the 20th., was generally pleasant and beautiful. From the 20th. to the 25th., high north and north-west winds prevailed, the Thermometer, through the day, standing below the freezing point; from that time to the 10th. of November, excepting one day, it was so mild and pleasant that "workmen were constantly engaged out of doors, and the masons were busy erecting composite walls, which cannot be built during freezing weather." But little rain fell, and only a few flakes of snow were seen in the air, which melted before reaching the ground. "Taking the month as a whole, we are not conscious of having experienced one so mild and pleasant."

RAIN.—The annual fall of rain is under thirty inches. The rainiest period usually is from May 10th. to June 10th.; during which, and at all times, when severe rain storms occur, the roads are somewhat heavy, the creeks troublesome to ford, and travelling becomes tedious. There is very little rain in Midsummer or Autumn; sometimes indeed, scarcely as much as is desirable for farming purposes. During the rainy period, very few days pass by without the sun being seen, at least for a short time.