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? WHY THE WEATHER ?

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A WEATHER PICTURE BOOK

It is a rather remarkable fact that no profusely illustrated book on weather or the science of weather has ever been published in English. Indeed, the only really sumptuous work of this sort in any language is one in French, written by Dr. Alphonse Berget and illustrated under the direction of Lucien Rudaux, who is probably the world's most successful photographer of atmospheric phenomena. It is entitled "L'Air," and was published in Paris in 1927. The work covers the subject of aeronautics as well as meteorology.

A very fair superficial acquaintance with the subjects treated can be obtained merely by studying the 700 halftone reproductions of photographs, 276 charts and diagrams, numerous color plates, etc., in this big book, and by reading the rather ample captions attached to them. Many of the photographs are of extraordinary beauty and some represent meteorological phenomena that have rarely been caught by the camera.

It is gratifying to add that a benefactor of science has lately provided funds that will make possible the publication, in the near future, in the United States, of a book containing reproductions of about 2,400 photomicrographs of snow and ice crystals, dewdrops and the like taken by Wilson A. Bentley, of Jericho, Vermont.

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