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Summer solstice! The sun is always shining upon approximately one-half of the earth's surface, but at 2:40 a.m. today all the area within the Arctic circle is included in the sunny half. If the value of a day's sunshine at the equator on March 22 is called 1000, then the value at the North Pole today is 1210. Although the sun shines upon the pole at a considerable slant, the sunshine value is great there because daylight is 24 hours long. Today the value of the sunshine at the equator (on the same scale) is only 882, at Philadelphia 1107, and at the northern boundary of Alberta or Labrador it is 1093. After today the sun begins its retreat southward.
