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Falling leaves! The leaves of some trees, such as the evergreens, die at intervals and a few at a time throughout the year, thus preserving the evergreen appearance. Some trees in warm countries keep their leaves for a year or more; others lose their leaves in the dry season. In the North Temperate Zone some of the leaves turn yellow and die in August, not due to the weather but because they have fulfilled their function. Cold, dry weather in the fall causes the high coloring of leaves because then the green coloring matter can not be produced fast enough and the yellow and red pigments already in the leaves show up.
