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Temperature! How hot is the air? To answer this one must ascertain its temperature which is defined as "the degree of hotness of a body." It is measured according to some arbitrary scale, ordinarily by using some material which expands when heated and contracts when cooled. Air temperature is measured with a thermometer having mercury or alcohol as the expanding and contracting element. Mercury freezes at 38 degrees below zero Fahrenheit and may be used above that point; but lower than that alcohol must be used, for it does not freeze until 163 degrees below is reached.
