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Climatic zones! To say that a place is in the temperate zone does not by any means accurately describe its climate, as witness the differing climates of San Francisco, St. Louis and Norfolk, Va., all on nearly the same parallel of latitude. So climatologists have made other classifications, the most noted being that of Koeppen, who arranged climatic zones on bases of temperature and precipitation. For instance, the tropical zone is divided into "rain forest" and "savanna" or prairie climates. This is quite essential, as everyone knows how vastly different are the climates of tropical deserts and the jungle. Later, this classification was extended on bases of temperature efficiency and precipitation effectiveness.
