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St. Elmo's fire! It must be a weird sensation for the cowboys of the plains to see discharges of electricity from each others' heads, and bluish flames emanating from the ears of their mounts. This phenomenon is often seen under stormy conditions, and is simply a discharge of electricity from earth to air. It appears strongest at exposed points such as ships' masts. It is believed also that St. Elmo's fire, as this phenomenon is called, explains the "Andes lights" when mariners far out at sea see the mountains glow or even shoot out flames.
