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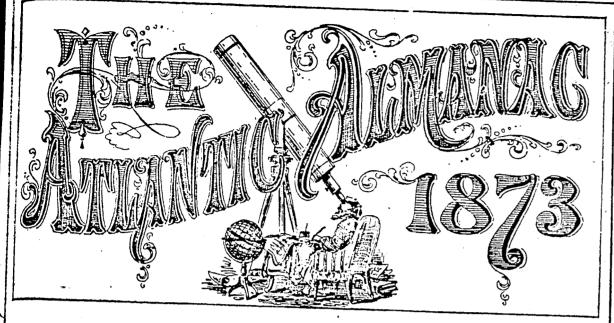
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	Latitude.	Longitude.	Approximate elevation.
Bristol, Tennessee (E. S.) Shelbyville, Kentucky (A. S.) Shelbyville, Kentucky (E. S.) Falmonth, Kentucky (E. S.) Oakland, Kentucky (E. S.) Springfield, Illinois (E. S.) Springfield, Illinois (new State-house dome) Mattoon, Illinois (A. S.) Des Moines, Iowa (A. S.) Des Moines, Iowa (A. S.) Burlington, Iowa (A. S.) Cedar Falls, Iowa (A. S.) Saint Louis, Missouri (A. S.) Kohklux, Alaska (E. S.)	0	5 28 44.90±0.28 5 40 53.05 5 40 53.04 15 37 09.3 15 45 01.2 5 58 33.62±0.26 5 58 37.18	Feet. 1,760

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"	Edgartown	"	49	- 66	**	"	u ·	**
"	Holmes' Hole	66	16	44	. "	"	"	**
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0.	ilk Argo, berry.	1 14.	大 Pisces, ieet.