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Weather and ice! December and January is the time when the ice crop in our ponds, lakes and rivers does its growing. This crop has always been a good one in New England and New York state, where the mean temperatures are below the freezing point and minimum temperatures of zero and lower are frequent. These states began exporting ice early, 130 tons in 1806 and 146,000 tons in 1856. From these beginnings the export trade rose to about 15 million tons. The opinion that manufactured ice could never compete with that formed by nature was early expressed; but now we have not only manufactured ice from water but also "dry-ice" from carbon dioxide.
