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It has been my fortune, in a life devoted to travel during all possible leisure, many years of which have been spent in foreign countries, to gaze upon earth's choicest scenes. I need not speak of Europe, for most know it well enough, and its mountain and lake scenery is so different that it is not comparable. To my mind, there is nothing in the Mediterranean, Aegean or Black Seas so charming and beautiful—not even the "Isles of Greece," and the spring and winter climate of all those seas is cold and damp while the extremes of temperature in the Hawaiian Islands are 50 to 90 degrees and either extreme is rare. In physical features Palestine, Syria, Asia Minor and the Nile are not beautiful. Save in the mountains there is little scenery in Mexico or South America. The islands of the Caribbean Archipelago are indeed beautiful, but the people! the degeneracy! the filth and disease! and when "northers" strike you there, you can well enough imagine you are enduring a "nor' easter" in Boston.

In the Hawaiian Islands wherever the winds come from and at whatever season, they are as balmy as those of Ceylon, if not as spicy; all seasons are summer and health and cleanliness are the rule; there is little of either the laxity in morals or in the rules of sanitation here which prevails in so many of the other island countries.

I came here with a serious case of asthma and bronchitis which a stay in San Francisco had only aggravated, and it practically disappeared in a week.

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