

CLEAN CHIHUAHITA OR SUFFER EPIDEMIC THAT MAY BE COSTLY

Dr. Thompson Shows That There is Great Danger of an Epidemic Originating There and Sweeping to the Northside; Quarantine Down There is a Joke, and Fumigation a Farce, Medical Men Assert.

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THE climate and the healthy face of Good fortune have done much for El Paso. The topography of the city lends itself to natural and complete drainage; but in spite of all our natural advantages, our city is far from being well drained, and the lower part of the city after a heavy rain, is little better than a swamp; and in some places pools of filthy, stagnant water remain for weeks at a time, in addition to the many problems that naturally belong to a rapidly growing city.

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Now, as to the diseases and immorality fostered by such conditions, some things that we may reasonably expect may be noticed. All of the readily contagious diseases—mumps, chicken-pox, measles, la grippe, whooping cough—are certain to flourish, nothing short of a miracle could prevent them. But we must also confidently and reasonably expect typhoid, tuberculosis, diphtheria, contagious sore eyes and worst and most dreadful of all, some severe epidemics of scarlet fever. These, we fortunately, have never known through an epidemic of scarlet fever in which the foodstuffs type prevailed, can form no adequate type of the frightful disease.

No Specific. We have vaccination for smallpox, antitoxin for diphtheria, but for scarlet fever, we have no blessed specific. The powder rain is already here, the fuse is laid, all that is needed to bring on an explosion is a severe case of typhoid fever within a few hours, possibly before a diagnosis can be made; and the contagious and contagious habits of the Mexicans will do the rest. We may reasonably expect dreadful epidemics of contagious sore eyes. The open public water closets, broken screens, with the dogs and flies having free passages at all hours of the day, are certain to bring about infection of infants, and near blindness are certain to become common, if prevalent conditions continue.

Fredrick Bubonic Plague. It is reasonable to expect that in the future, at some time we may have bubonic plague and typhoid fever. Through the efforts of a former health officer, one promising epidemic of typhoid fever was nipped in the bud and stamped out. But with the entire river front of the city, imperfectly patrolled, as it necessarily must be, with the river bed dry for months at a time, it will be next to impossible to keep out all diseased persons. Typhoid has prevailed in the past in all of the principal cities of the city. But it is also a notable exception of Guadalajara and Orizaba. There is no reason to hope that sanitary conditions in Mexico will improve until after the return of peace.

Plague Carrying Rats Here. So far as the writer can learn there has never been a case of bubonic plague in the city. But it is also a fact that 25 years ago there was not a "Norway rat" in the city; and now they are plentiful all over, and it is not at all doubtful if there is a rat proof warehouse in the city.

As to moral conditions brought about and largely attributable to the poverty and bad sanitary conditions, little need be said. Boys and girls who are turned loose on the streets at two years of age to vegetate, to learn to steal, and to learn other crimes and vices, can hardly be expected to become good citizens.

Should Act Vigorously. It has long been my theory that any truckling to the unsanitary customs and habits of our Mexican population is unwise, unkind to the Mexican people and certain to work mischief to both Mexicans and Americans. It seems to me that we have come about to this point in the solution of the problem of the south side. We realize that it is a problem, that it is our problem; and that it is like the Irishman's patient, "a gettin' no better fast."

Solving the Problem. Now what can be done to solve this problem? If the public water closet could be done away with, and every family have its own separate private closet, that would help some. The summary destruction of all dogs in the lower part of the city would help a great deal. Free illustrated lectures given to the poor people might help some. Nature has done much for our city. But we have good reason to fear that

girl problem. Those girls come up town from all parts of Chihuahita and Mexico, and they work in the good part of town. A dozen of them have been sleeping in a room where there has been scarlet fever, diphtheria or small-pox. If there is ever a big epidemic of scarlet fever it will make the hair stand on end. These epidemics are terrible. The conditions are right for just that sort of thing. I don't know what to do about it.

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