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Fresh Ranch Butter from the ranch of J.  
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THE Citizen throws out its tow line  
to Governor Irwin. Hope it will never  
be spelled for line.

THERE is a strong under current of  
feeling in favor of organizing a board  
of trade or similar body of representa-  
tive citizens to take hold of the busi-  
ness end of our languishing industries.  
The business men with all due con-  
sideration for their personal efforts to  
better their own condition by aiding  
at all times the efforts made by others  
to advertise our resources, are lacking  
in push, enterprise and spirit of con-  
centrated action, which alone will  
make our country and city a thriving  
community. For five years our mines  
have been lying idle, comparatively  
speaking; the great question of water  
remains unsettled. Our mines are  
flooded with it while almost within  
stones throw of us the rich soil of our  
valleys craves it. The artesian water  
supply is there but remains still in  
its uncertain stage, while the small  
sum of \$20,000, would settle the prob-  
lem for all time to come. This sum  
would mean \$100 each for 200 men.  
If the venture were a success it would re-  
turn 500 per cent the first year after it  
was settled; if not a success it would be  
but one card drawn from the pack  
and 51 more to draw from. There are  
other propositions which the people of  
this county must settle for them-  
selves. There is one great problem  
which the citizens of Tombstone must  
settle for themselves—the drainage of  
the mines. There will be no more  
trouble in inducing capital to take  
hold of the enterprise providing we  
can meet it half way and by our fi-  
nancial aid even in a small way  
prove that we have an abiding faith in  
the future of our camp. There is no  
use in longer remaining idle in the  
back grounds and sucking our thumbs  
waiting for something to turn up. It  
will have to be done some time and  
the sooner the better.



"AGE CANNOT WITHER HER,"  
remarked an old gentleman, as he gazed  
fondly upon the comely little woman by his  
side; "but frankly," he continued, "at one  
time I was afraid comeliness would. The silly  
little woman, in order to appear youthful,  
plastered her face with different varieties of  
whitewash, crepe, 'balms,' 'creams,' 'lotions,'  
etc." "Yes," interrupted the little woman,  
"I did, until my skin became like parchment  
and so pimply and coarse." "Well," said the  
listener, "What do you use now?" "Use,"  
was the reply, "nothing but common sense  
and Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery."  
Common sense told me that if my blood was  
pure, liver active, appetite and digestion good,  
that the outward woman would take on the  
hue of health. The 'Discovery' did all those  
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free from blotches, pimples, eruptions, yellow  
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## MEXICAN PREJUDICES.

DREAD OF FRESH AIR CARRIED TO  
A LUDICROUS EXTENT.

Most cities have some reason to show  
for their location. Boston sits by her  
broad bay, Chicago by the lakeside, New  
Orleans in the bend of her imperial river,  
Guamajute and Zacatecas by the side of  
their rich mines, but there is no sound or  
sensible reason for the location of the  
City of Mexico in a low and swampy  
tract, when right at hand were building  
sights of incomparable view, of perfect  
sanitary conditions and certain to afford  
space for the amplest possible expansion of  
the town. Temporarily nothing is being  
done, on any comprehensive scale, for the  
advancement of the plan for draining the  
valley of Mexico, and incidentally the  
city. A company of Ohio origin is dig-  
ging a canal under contract with the city  
government, and it gets its pay regularly,  
as the rulers of the city are good paymas-  
ters and honorable in all their dealings.  
But the big plan seems to have been  
let drop for a while for some reason not  
apparent.

Meantime the death rate is extraordi-  
nary, and what should be one of the most  
healthy cities on the globe, standing as it  
does at more than 7,500 feet above the  
sea level, is one of the most unhealthy.  
The ravages of what may be termed dis-  
eases engendered by dirt and dampness  
are something frightful—typhus fever  
(not the milder typhoid), smallpox, which  
is always existent somewhere, consump-  
tion, dysentery, etc., carry off thousands  
every year. The lot of the poorer classes,  
and of those between poverty and com-  
fortable circumstances is a hard one.  
Their dwellings are damp, musty, ill  
smelling, pestiferous. It is among these  
classes that the death rate is very high,  
but among the well to do people who live  
on what is here called the "primer piso,"  
or first floor, or, in New England, the  
second story, the mortality is not greater  
than in Boston. The peculiarity of the  
climate is that its lack of oxygen renders  
recovery from sickness very difficult.  
Once let yourself run down, and it is hard  
getting up again. The languor of the  
climate, the lack of life in the air, conspire  
to keep the invalid weak, and it is the  
rule of the doctors to send patients out of  
the city as soon as it is possible to remove  
them.

BEDROOMS SEALED AT NIGHT.  
Out on the hillside the country people  
are robust and rarely ill, unless they hap-  
pen to be of that class who try to keep  
bedrooms hermetically sealed at night.  
This prejudice against the night air is  
very great and widespread. I suppose  
that eight-tenths of the inhabitants of  
this city shut up their bedrooms at night,  
as a drum every night of their lives. Then  
they breathe their own effluvia, and give  
away to the profit of the doctors and the  
drug shops. This fact accounts for the  
many mottled and sallow complexions one  
sees. People who have traveled, or those  
who are of receptive minds and have  
studied the matter, let the night air cir-  
culate in their apartments. Their good  
blood and clear complexions testify to  
their obedience to hygienic laws.

The dread of the fresh air is often car-  
ried to a ludicrous extent. People sit for  
three hours in a dirty, stuffy theatre and  
breathe the air of the sewers underneath  
the floors, inhale all the human exhal-  
ations which contaminate the unfiltered  
air, and then, on going out into the com-  
paratively pure air of the street, keep  
handkerchiefs to their mouths and noses.  
This morning I noticed a sallow woman  
riding on the Paseo in her coupe, a lap-  
dog on her knee. The glass windows of  
the vehicle were tightly shut, so that  
none of the glorious air of the morning in  
that favored spot should by chance enter  
her withering lungs. This was the old  
monkish idea; in the convents the pious  
ladies preferred close cells and musty  
tomes. They dreaded water, and soap  
was unknown to them.

A curious prejudice exists among many  
people here against cold water when they  
have a "catarrh" or cold in the head, or  
even a touch of chill in the bones. For  
weeks, till the cold has gone, they resu-  
lently refrain from touching water. An  
other popular prejudice here is that  
which hurls a family to move out of a  
house when any member of it has died.  
For this reason it is needful to be cau-  
tious in taking a house or apartments till  
you have made certain that no one has  
recently died therein of a contagious dis-  
ease. So far does this prejudice go that  
many people abandon their old homes on  
the death of a member of the family.

CHILDREN FEAR OF DISEASE.  
It does not seem to be so much a super-  
stitious as a childish fear of disease. And  
yet these same people who would not con-  
sent to remain in a house thoroughly and  
scientifically disinfected, with new wall  
paper and new paint, will move to a house  
with a stagnant ditch near at hand, and  
will shut themselves up in their bedrooms  
at night like herring in a box. The old  
houses here show in their construction  
the dread of air and sunshine. With little  
narrow windows, brick floors and tight  
doors, they were certain to become musty  
in six months' occupancy. The ancient  
convents had windows of the size of prison  
windows. Churches were built so that  
never by any chance could a breath of air  
get in to disturb the worshippers. All  
this the white man did. But the Indian,  
living mainly in the open air of the  
high sierras, is a different sort of creature,  
a man who can make sixty miles or more  
a day. He is who eats with an appetite  
his frugal meal, and has the good sense  
to beat his idols when they do not grant  
his requests immediately. These are the  
men and women with broad chests and a  
color that shows red blood and good cir-  
culation. They have missed the refinements  
of the white race, but have preserved their  
fivers and their lungs. In the heart of  
the Indian lurks a contempt for the  
sickly colored white man. He regards his  
pale faced brother as a man of artifice and  
endless refinements, who must have a  
hand an apothecary shop and a doctor,  
who dares not live out in the free country  
unless protected by servants, dogs and  
guns. The white man takes a horse for  
a journey of five miles; the Indian will go  
twelve times as far in a day, on foot, and  
will be well and ready for another tramp  
the next day, when the white man's horse  
would be used up with two-thirds the  
same amount of travel. Generally a vege-  
table eater, the Indian of the Mexican  
sierras is a proof that meat is not a nec-  
essary of life. He eats a frugal meal of  
cornmeal tortillas, takes a drink of pulque  
or water, and wears out the meat-eating  
dweller in towns. Largely it is the good  
air the Indian breathes that makes him  
the strong and enduring man that he is.  
—Max Co. Coe, Boston Herald.

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