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Air conditioning! While air indoors has been heat-conditioned in winter for many years back, it took a long while to learn how to cool our rooms in summer and how to obtain by artificial means clean air, well-circulated and humidified. However, as far back as 1842 Prof. Espy, an early American meteorologist who won fame by his "Philosophy of Storms," suggested that relief to sick persons could be afforded by regulating humidity of air in addition to its temperature. He suggested the dewpoint be raised by heating water in a room, or lowered by exposing a pan of sulphuric acid.