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Vertical zones of climate! Everyone is familiar with the changes of climate which may be experienced in going from the equatorial regions toward either pole. Practically the same variety of climates may be observed in traveling from sea level to high altitudes, as for instance in Peru. One may take a railroad journey of only ten hours, beginning at sea level with a climate suitable for sugar cane and cotton, and in a short time reach 5000 feet where fruit is growing, then higher up where potatoes flourish, then grass, and finally snow which remains the year round.
