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### HEALTH.

Epidemics are unknown in San Jose. Its drainage system, upon which more than half a million dollars have been expended, is complete; its public water supply pure and ample; it has no fogs or piercing winds; no freezing cold or scorching heat; no floods, no droughts; just sunshine, fruit and flowers. The annual death rate per 1000 in San Francisco is 18.33; in Sacramento, 16.78; Los Angeles, 15.82; Stockton, 15.33; Oakland, 14.45; Alameda, 13.40; Fresno, 11.92; San Jose, 11.78.



IN APRIL (LEMONS.)

### RELIGIOUS.

Nothing more certainly shapes the destiny of a community than the moral tone by which it is characterized. There is scarcely a section of Santa Clara County, however remote, in which there is not a church building of some kind. In every town in the county which is more than two years of age a number of church societies are represented, while in San Jose there is a great variety, and many handsome and costly buildings. Some of the congregations are comparatively small, but most of them are large, ranging from 200 to 900 people, and in the aggregate form a religious influence which enters into, and to a great extent regulates business and society. The list of church organizations in San Jose is so large that there are few people who may not in some of them find pleasant associations and a satisfactory church