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How to get Rich without Working.

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For every new industry that comes to town will help the landlord, who will kindly charge the merchant, the blacksmith, the butcher, the baker, and the daily toiler more rent; and for every additional thousand increase in population he will double the price of building lots, and thus, the larger we grow, the more we toil, the more we contribute to the wealth of the nation, the more he will kindly exact from us in rent and the more he will live in luxury and idleness.

WRITE ABOUT THE TOWN.

For the more one writes about it the more attention one will attract to the beauties of our place, and the more population will be drawn to it, and the more value will thus be added to the land in use and not in use, and thus again will rents advance, and thus again will the landlord, thankful for our efforts, again raise the rent.

SPEAK WELL OF THE TOWN.

For it helps the landlord. It will discourage the grumblers and will tend to justify high rents.

IMPROVE THE TOWN

For every time you build a house, a church, a business block, a bridge, a sewer, a sidewalk, or a road, you add to the value of the vacant lot; and surely the landowner will appreciate your industry; for will he not be the richer, and thus will he not be the abler to solve the problem, "How to become rich without working? "

