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For each region in the chart, list an example of a biological exchange plant, animal, or disease that affected that region. The Medieval World and Beyond.

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Unpublished MA Dissertation, University of Pretoria. The reasons for the introduction of such materials are largely self-evident. They brought wheat, which was originally from the Middle East.

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However a general comparison of their respective climates tends to present a different picture. This is in the main a succulent bush quite unsuitable for the purpose of thatching, although employed in some areas, such as Committee's Drift, as an underlay to a sparse grass cover.

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The mountain region is relatively cooler, often has little rain for months on end, is liable to heavy snowfalls and is often swept by bitterly cold winds during the winter months. Rural builders are not necessarily prisoners of their environment but, in many ways, are capable of shaping it to their own liking and convenience.

Walls are usually timber framed, using a variety of materials such as scrub, rubble or clay infill before being plastered over with daka.

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