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THE BACON FIG.

The bacon pig, though of comparatively recent growth, in many ways belongs to a distinct breed of pigs. He is as separate and distinct from the old-fashioned fat hog as one purebred pig is separate and distinct from another. He bears no relation whatever to the kind of pigs our fathers bred, fed, killed, and took to market once every year. He attains his growth in one half the time, and is ready to pay for his board when he is six or eight months old. In order to fulfil his destiny the bacon pig must necessarily be young. In fact, he is a distinctly modern institution, adapted to meet the needs of these latter days, when only the finest quality of food products are wanted. His weight is circumscribed by regulations as binding as the laws of the Medes and Persians. He must be neither too heavy nor too light. His daily food must be so adjusted and of such a quality as will lead to produce in him an equal quality of muscle and fat. These two parts of his make-up must so intermingle with each other as to produce a quality of food that will exactly suit the taste of the British consumer.

Such, in a few words, is a general outline of the modern bacon pig. That he has come to stay is established beyond doubt, and that he is about the only kind of hog that it will pay our farmers to raise is also beyond dispute. We have to depend upon Great Britain for a market for our surplus hog products, and therefore we must produce the kind of pig that will meet the needs of that market. The very existence, then, of our export trade depends, in a large measure, upon the kind of bacon pig our pork packers are supplied. Swine breeders should note particularly the needs of the trade in this particular, and direct their energies towards producing a bacon pig that will command the highest prices in the market. Some breeds of pigs may be better adapted for bacon purposes than others. But by careful selection feeding and breeding, nearly all the leading breeds may be adapted to meet the needs of the bacon trade.—Farming.

A bonanza poultry raiser of San Francisco, who owns 10,000 hens, has put the X rays to a new use. In every poultry yard there are necessarily a number of sterile or barren hens. If the Roentgen rays will locate a forthing in a boy's stomach, why cannot they be utilized to "show up" a non-laying hen? Such was the reasoning of this poultry king. The thought was no sooner conceived than acted upon. A test case was made with twelve chickens, eight of which were found with eggs, and four barren. A subsequent post-mortem proved that the deduction of the X rays was correct. The result of this test was that an X ray plant was put in the establishment, and all the non-laying hens put upon the market. Now the owner is feeding only the hens that lay, and finds his profits from the business increasing.

Flowered taffeta ribbon with the design outlined in gold and silver thread is seen in such widths.  
Toggles made of velvet, edged with fur and trimmed with jaunty aigrettes set on the left side, are seen in many of the milliners' windows.

No Gospel About It.  
"Your friend is a minister of the gospel, isn't he?"  
"No, he's a popular preacher."—Chicago Journal.

Practical Reflections.  
If we love Christ, we will love to do His will.  
Our hearts may become temples of God.  
Jesus has committed His work to the Holy Spirit.  
The Holy Spirit is the world's greatest need.  
To give peace of heart cost Jesus anguish.

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Right to the spot**  
Ayer's Hair Vigor will go right to that bald spot and begin to bring the hair back.  
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Hair Grow.**

A FEAST OF LANTERNS.

Unique Festival on a Sacred Island in Japan.

One drowsy noon the town crier came to the door, clapped two pieces of wood together, and in a long chant besought all people of Miyajima to come to the temple for "speak-meeting" at two o'clock that day and for the five succeeding days, to hear read the official news from the army in Corea. We sent our agent to listen for us, and our errand and only Inudzuka returned breathless, to tell, in excited Japanese, English, and jargon, of the victory of the Heijo. We had intended to make a farewell offering to the temple to secure an illumination as a fitting close to our stay in Arcadia, and here was an opportunity. In the shortest time Inudzuka was speeding back to the temple to beseech the high priest to have the thousand oil-saucers of the lanterns filled at once, the illumination to begin at dusk, without waiting for the midnight high tide. The priests shook their heads at such an irregularity, such a disregard of ancient custom on short notice. "But this is an American matter, and in honor of the Heijo! How can you say you have any custom for such an illumination? And when did you illuminate at any tide for a battle won in Corea?" And the high priest said, "Surely, surely! Yes; for Beikoku (America) and the Heijo we can do it." And the circle of eagle-eyed, excited priests sprang delightedly to begin preparations.

Our joyous sendo was at the temple steps with the sampan as usual before the sunset hour, and he had not pushed off until he let us know that the village was agog at the double news of victory and the honorable illumination. We could see the lay brothers all along shore filling the oil-saucers, laying wicks, and pasting fresh papers on the tall stone lamps; and when we sculled back, long after sunset, lights had begun to twinkle under the temple eaves. A lantern came forth and went bobbing along the water-line, stopped a moment, and a second light shone forth, then a third and a fourth, and so on along shore, as the lamplighter went his way.

Soon the whole curving bay from headland to headland was outlined in living lights that gleamed double and wavered in long reflections toward us; and the temple was a great set piece of fireworks, each shrine a sun goddess's glowing cave, with the many-jeweled pyramids of votive candles. The spectacle lasted in full splendor for more than an hour, the villagers flocking along shore, trooping through the temple galleries, and drifting about in boats to watch the splendid spectacle. The lights dropped out here and there, and the glow of the rising moon made the firmament pale; but even when the shore-line was lost in darkness, Itsukushima's inner shrine by the sea was still aglow with votive lights.

The next morning the village officers called "to thank your spirit" in celebrating Japan's victories; the high priest sent sacred gift-papers filled with rice, and asked for the honorable names in full, that they might be written among the temple's contributors; and when we went to the village every one bowed and made pretty speeches about the American matsuiri. Weeks later a Tokio artist wrote in his quaint idiom that he had heard of my "favorably presenting a great deal of money to the temple, praying for the war, and lighting the thousand lamps of Miyajima for the war. I see it in our Japanese newspapers." Surely never did one obtain so much pleasure and glory by an expenditure of four yen (two dollars in United States gold)—"An Island Without Death," by Eliza Ruhamah Seidmore, in the Century.

Well Kept Nails.  
There is nothing more essential to the beauty of the hand than well-kept nails. They must be kept clean and trim or the hand looks neglected as a once. So often people are careless enough about washing their hands, but neglect to take any trouble about cleaning their nails or trying to preserve their beauty in any way. Nails that are beautiful should be pink in color and have a white crescent at the root. But even if nails are naturally beautiful, they require careful attention to keep them so. The ugliest nails, it may be much improved by a little care. One hour every week will suffice to keep them in good order.

The nails should be cut regularly, and always with a pair of nail scissors. Do not on any account try to cut your nails with a blunt pair. The shape of the nails should be regulated by the tips of the fingers, and cut to correspond. As a rule the fingers are oval in shape at the tips, so the nail should be cut that shape. This should be done about once a fortnight; but some people's nails grow very rapidly and require more frequent trimming. If you cannot use your left hand to cut the nails on your right, you should get one else to do this for you, or else buy a special pair of curved scissors for the purpose. Nails should never be cleaned with any sharp instruments. If a nail brush is used when the hands are washed, it will not be found necessary to use any other means to cleanse them, unless dirt has been allowed to accumulate under the nails. Nothing is better for removing dirt and stains from the nails than lemon, which also prevents the skin from growing up over the nails. Cut a piece off a lemon and stick the nails into the freshly cut part.

ODD MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

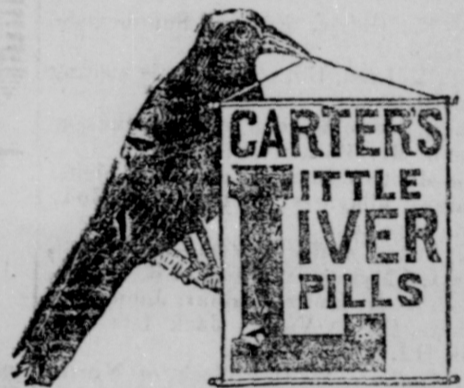
The Turks have seven different kinds of flutes.

The santir, a kind of dulcimer, has been used for ages in the Caucasus. In a very ancient Greek story the goddess Erato is represented with a psaltery. The North American Indians are known to have had two different kinds of flutes. The musical instruments of the Greeks closely resemble those of Turkey and Syria. The Japanese taiko, or drum, is placed upon a permanent support and rests upon pivots. The bandolon of Mexico is not greatly dissimilar in shape from the moon guitar of China.

The darabouka, or Turkish drum, resembles a long vase, the bottom covered with parchment. The dombez is the popular hand drum in Persia. It is double headed, and beaten with both hands. The rattles of British American Indians are frequently made in the form of birds or small animals. The balalaika, or Russian guitar, has a triangular body, with four strings, and is played with a bow. The Apaches have three different kinds of violins, each having but one string and played with a small bow.

The pang-kou is a small Chinese drum resting on a wooden tripod. It is beaten with common wood drumsticks. The Chinese la-pa in shape is almost identical with the ancient Roman tuba. It gives four notes—C, G, C and E. The Persians have three kinds of guitars—the sitar, the tar and saz—all played either with the fingers or with a plectrum. The psaltery referred to in the Jewish sacred writings is a kind of dulcimer played either with the fingers or plectrum.

Dead Bees.  
A Germantown correspondent writes: "Can you tell me if the pink Japan Judas tree, which was in bloom a couple of weeks ago, emits a fluid poisonous to bees and other insects? I have seen it stated that such was the case. That insects were attracted by the bright blossoms, but that the latter emitted an opiate and the dead insects could be seen on the ground about the bush." Dead bees can be found in abundance under any early flowering plant that they frequent. It is not that they are poisoned; but simply that their time has come. The life of any bee does not reach twelve months.



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OBSERVATIONS.

What a man wears may be his own business, but it's bad business if he's a guy.

It's great fun to be a woman, and have money, and be within walking distance of bargain stores. There are few words more misused than "elegant." It doesn't fit mutton chops, for instance. Babies are not the only people who make a big noise in the world, without much result beyond the noise. When malice and a sense of duty get all tangled up, it takes a wise man to get 'em straightened out and separated. If there are about as many young men as young women, how can each of the latter have seven of the former as devoted admirers?—N. Y. Advertiser.

Glass Eyes.  
Aitchison, the greatest manufacturer and dealer in glass eyes in Europe, was recently interviewed. He says that England alone consumes some 50,000 glass eyes annually. A good English glass eye will last about a year, and costs \$5. Glass eyes of French and German make are cheaper, but will not stand wear as long as the English. The greatest destroyer of the glass eye is the salt contained in the tears; its caustic action upon the glass has up to this time baffled all human invention. He says that there are some people who wear two glass eyes, but not in order to see—as the interviewer inadvertently asked—but to keep the lids better in place and in good condition, and particularly in order to look more attractive.

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