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## FIUME

A busy, bustling place is New Fiume, with its fine plate glass windowed stores, its noisy, money-coining factories, its Naval College, its warehouses, timber yards, oil refineries, its shipyards, and swiftly moving electric trams, which makes the lumbering ox-wagons, meandering beyond their proper sphere in the ancient precincts of the Old Town, seen curiously out of place. Thirty years ago the city was merely a big village, to-day the muffled clamor of thousands of hammers beats ceaselessly from its great industries, and loudest of all around the hammers which ply in the most important of all these factories, the one which was founded, not so very many years ago by the man who as a poor Lancashire grammar school boy, dreamt dreams which here came true. Whitehead perfected his torpedo invention at Fiume in 1866, when probably even he did not realize what a potent influence the invention would have in the world.

The great charm of a stroll through Old Fiume, of losing oneself in its tortuous byways, is that it is impossible to fortell what surprise may be in store. Now it is some bazaar scene of market, again it is some stone monument of past days, a fountain, a coat-of-arms on a dilapidated entrance door, its lovely colors—azure, vert, gold, but slightly dimmed. Over very weathered and time-ravaged walls, nature has thrown an exquisite veiling, green swaying creepers, vines, roses—dusky crimson, pink and white, which cling and tangle lovingly about the neglected masonry. Aocia trees sweep their showery perfumed sprays over each rubbish heap. Red and scarlet geraniums laugh from out the crannies of the gray or yellow walls, and the whole scene is flooded with stinging sunlight, except where the indigo shadows fall darkly abrupt. In the streets of Old Rjeka (Old Fiume), most folks belong to the Latin race, the Slovenes prefer, as a rule, to set up their habitations at some distance from the city. But it is only in these obscure and back streets and lanes that the Latin race holds undisputed sway. Race meets race, tribe jostles tribe along the quays and canals of both New and Old Fiume. Many peoples meet on the immigration wharves, where yearly thousands upon thousands of poor peasants—Croats, Dalmatians, Slovenes, Czechs, Italians—wait—to embark on the big steamers which are transporting them far away to the new world, to freedom and fortune, to the enjoyments and responsibilities of life, which they have never experienced under the reactionary Hapsburg rule. It requires but little immigration to picture these Fiume harbors as they must have appeared in bygone times with the heavy galleons of Venice,

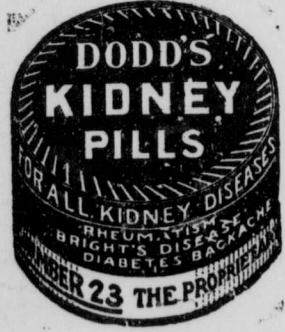
fortress-like in proportion, impelled by immense red sails. . . . It is easy to behold in fancy these quays as they looked when such a vessel dropped anchor in Rjeka's watershed, and formed a rallying point for swarms of smaller galleys. Beautiful and wonderful is the road which winds like a ribbon up the side of the gorge of the Ricina through which the river froths fresh from its source in the Karst Mountains. . . . It is well named "The Gateway of Hungary." . . . Up-up twists the path, here and there zigzagging beneath and around almost perpendicular rocks, here and there branching off into by-ways leading to far-off hill villages. The lapis lazuli sea, studded with pearly islands, lies slumbering, heaving, slumbering, hundreds of feet below. And, likt so many wind-drifted, scarlet pimpernels, the tiny fishing boats rock aimlessly up and down awaiting the expected afternoon breeze. The sun heat is drooping down on the world with a glitter. The town with its red tiled roofs and white walled buildings is stilled. Behind the rose entwined walls of the gardens, bees are humming, grasshoppers are chirping, and the fields are starred with flowers. White villas cuddle close to the hillside, scarcely visible among billows of a thousand hued blossoms—their whiteness strongly contrasting with the flaming geranium creepers. Luxuriant vines interlace the trees and fall in wreaths from the tips of the branches. Like a white eagle on a mountain crag, the old fortress home of Fiume's ancient chieftains gazes down on the passing ships and passing years.—The Right Hon. W. F. Bailey, C. B.

## How to Become a Nurse

Any woman with intelligence and "motherly" instinct can learn to be a practical nurse and earn from fifteen to twenty-five dollars per week. If you cannot spend three years in a hospital or are past hospital age, study a common-sense book, called "Nursing in the Home," by Lee B. Smith, M.D. This book is written in a way that is easy to comprehend. It will teach you how to recognize different diseases; how to take temperature; how to take care of fever patients; how to give baths; all about the sick room. It treats of burns and scalds, broken limbs, bleeding from wounds, (bandaging), drowning, fainting—almost every contingency covered. Many pages are devoted to Hygiene, Anatomy, Physiology and Medicine. It contains advice for mothers and tells how to care for infants. This 500-page book, bound in handsome red cloth, is worth \$2.00, but for a limited time can be procured by sending fifty cents to the publishers, World's Medical Press, 652 Washington street, Buffalo, N.Y.

## History of Shaving.

In tracing the history of shaving it should be sufficient to go back to the Greeks and Romans, upon whose civilization our own is based. Beards were highly esteemed among the former up to the time of Alexander the Great, who was smooth shaven. One reason for the abolition of the beard among soldiers was the fact that it afforded the enemy something to lay hold of. At an earlier period the wearing of certain types of helmet and gorget had affected the beard. The Romans wore beards down to the time of the Gallic wars, while the Gauls, albeit barbarians, were smooth shaven save for the moustache. The antiquity of barber shops and razors in Rome is variously given by historians. Some have claimed that the first barber shop, at least in that part of the world, was opened in Sicily in 200 B.C., while other authorities make this date far earlier or later. The Sclavian seems to have been the first barber.



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**SALLY LUNN.**  
Sift two cups of flour, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-half teaspoonful salt and two rounding

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tablespoonfuls of sugar together. Rub in two rounding tablespoonfuls of shortening, add three-fourths of a cup of milk, and one egg, or two, if you can spare them, without beating it. Beat until you have a good smooth batter. Bake in muffin pans or in a sheet and cut in squares while hot. This is very nice with a cup of blueberries or blackberries well floured, stirred in just before putting into the pan.

### CINNAMON BUNS.

Sift two cups of flour with two heaping tablespoonfuls of baking powder and half a teaspoonful of salt. Rub in two tablespoonfuls of shortening. Beat an egg until light, add half a cup of milk and pour into the flour. Mix to a soft dough. Roll out about one-third of an inch thick, spread with cinnamon and sugar and a few chopped raisins. Roll up like a jelly roll, cut into slices about an inch thick, lay in a well-buttered tin and bake in a quick oven. These are very good with apple sauce for a heavy dessert.

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### TEA MUFFINS.

Delicious tea muffins can be made by using one's favorite recipe for muffins and adding chopped nuts, Canton ginger or chopped dates. Little hot biscuits to serve with salad are made of baking powder biscuit batter, rolling thinner than usual, cutting out in tiny circles, putting a thin slice of cheese on top, covering it with a second circle, and baking in a hot oven.

### COUNTING HEADS.

#### First Census by Moses in the Wilderness.

There is a record of a census in China as far back as the year 2942 B. C. and of one in Japan in the last century before Christ. Under the constitution of Solon the citizens of Athens were divided and registered in four classes, according to the amount of their taxable property or income. The Roman census was burdened with more statistics than any of these, however. It had its origin under Servius Tullius, sixth king of Rome, and was an affair of much solemnity. Every citizen had to appear upon the Campus Martius and declare upon oath his name and dwelling and the value of his property under the penalty of having his goods confiscated.

The most ancient statistical record of a census is found in the Bible. The census was taken by Moses in the wilderness, and, as shown by the first chapter of Numbers, the enumeration must have been very simple. "Take ye," said this account, "the sum of all the congregations of the children of Israel, after their fathers, with the number of their names, every male by their polls; from twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel; thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies." This census was an affair that must have been soon over, lasting no longer than

a day, being merely a counting of the heads of the fighting men. The women and children and cripples and the old men were not included; "neither were the Levites numbered among them." Those who did stand up to be numbered totaled 603,550.

### High Priced Strad.

The war does not seem to have affected the high prices of representative Cremona violins, although many English owners have sold their instruments in order to give money realized to patriotic purposes. Messrs. George Hart & Son, of 28 Wardour street, London, Eng., report that they sold recently a well-preserved Stradivarius for two thousand guineas. It is a choice specimen of the maker, and is dated, 1702.

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### Nations' Religious Beliefs.

The German prevailing religious belief is Lutheran. The Church of England prevails in Great Britain, known more familiarly in the States as the Episcopalian. However, all churches are accepted in England now, Belgium, France and Italy are Catholic in tendency.

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