naught to disturb you but the voice of the cheerful sea gull as he skims the ocean blue and chants his merry lay, you can heave your to-gallan's'l, box your anchor, and toot and toot and flute till you can't rest. After you practice for a year or two amid those surroundings, we would advise that you go west and herd sheep for the balance of your days. If that does not effect a cure, your case is a hopeless one.

B. McC., Topeka, Kas: "What do Chinamen use to give gloss to the shirts they wash?"

We have taken pains to find out exactly what they do use. We interviewed a Chinaman, who, after some persuasion, divulged the secret, and we made him write it down for us so that there could be no mistake. You first wash the shirt and dry it, then you put some



on it. That's what he called it, but as we can't pronounce it without stuttering, we give it in his own handwriting. Then the shirt should be ironed. If these directions are carefully followed out, so the Chinaman assures us, you will make a success of the business.

T. A. R., Cuero: "What can I do with a dog that is covered with fleas?"

You can do several things. Soak the dog in coal oil; that will kill all the fleas—and the dog. You can take him out to the woods and saw his head off. If he is a white dog you can pick all the fleas off, dye him black, and sell him as a new dog. There is no limit as to the a number of things you can do with such a dog as we