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PEARLS IN OYSTERS.

FORMATION OF THE PRECIOUS GEM IN THE SHELL FISH.

To picture the subtle and matter of fact spirit as rising to the surface of the ocean to drink in the dew of heaven may well be regarded as a sketch of the imagination worthy of the most fanciful weaver of romances. Yet such was stated by early writers to be the origin of the pearl, that gem which is deemed worthy to rank the brow of royalty, which adorns fair women, which is the delight of the treasure hunter and which in all ages has been the symbol of beauty, purity and worth.

This pretty conceit, however, is brushed away by the stern realities of sober fact. The keen eye of science has discovered that the birth of a pearl is anything but a poetical affair. It is due to an accident and to one of those mysteriousness of nature by which every living creature resists for foreign attack and seeks to protect itself from injury. The oyster pearl springs into existence in two different ways. The first is by the introduction into the animal of a foreign substance. In some unguarded moment the oyster may permit a minute grain of sand to slip into its dwelling and lodge between the flesh and the shell. The oyster is powerless to expel the intruding substance, which immediately becomes a source of irritation.

There is but one remedy. The animal begins to cover the grain of sand with a coat of membrane, followed by a layer of calcareous matter called nacre. This is identical with mother-of-pearl, that beautiful lining of the shell which reflects all the colors of the rainbow and mellows the most delicate and subtle tints. Nacre is consecutively added until the body of the sphere, the nucleus, the central and other substances of the mollusk enter, and form their outer covering, but not without or thus according to the protection demanded by their surroundings. Around the intruding grain of sand will be seen successive layers of nacreous and more until a pearl is formed.

THE MOTHER OF PEARL.

These pearls, however, are not the valuable gems of commerce because, in the first place, they never the form of the grain of sand, and hence are irregular in shape, and in the second place, they frequently adhere to the shell and consequently present one rough side.

The perfect pearl is found loose in the interior of the fish, and has its beginning in an animal germ. The oyster annually produces a number of eggs, which, as soon as they develop into diminutive animals, are thrown out of the mother. Occasionally, however, an egg proves abortive and remains behind. It is almost impossible to see, and is enclosed in a tiny capsule. This capsule soon becomes to all intents and purposes a foreign substance. But it has certain powers akin to those of the parent, one of which is that of manufacturing, throwing out and gathering around itself nacre. The more completely envelopes it, and the germ of the animal is soon encased in a beautiful pearl, usually spherical in form, but sometimes pear shaped. This is the true pearl.

The most famous pearl fisheries in the world are near the coasts of Ceylon, Japan, Java and Sumatra and in the Persian gulf, although pearls in limited quantities are obtained in the streams of various countries.

HOW THE DIVERS WORK.

Before the divers begin their work there are blessings and magic spells from priests and sorceress to drive away the sharks and bring good luck. These incantations are of course mostly gull for. The hunts start out late at night, so that operations may begin at day-break. The divers have small instruments for compressing the nostrils and because to stop the apertures in their ears. Each one holds a block of stone between his feet to aid his descent. Leaping from the boat and plunging beneath the waves, the divers reach the bottom, where they run about swiftly and fill their bags with oysters as quickly as possible. When one is ready to rise he gives a signal and is drawn back to the boat by a rope.

Divers cannot remain in the water over a minute on the average, while two minutes taxes the most expert. A very few who have stayed under four or five minutes have won great reputation for their extraordinary endurance.

The occupation is injurious to the health, as it requires a tremendous amount of exertion. Divers are short lived, subject to various diseases and have been known to expire suddenly on reaching the surface of the water.

One peculiarity of pearls is that, unlike other precious gems, they are liable to decay. Occasionally a valuable pearl changes color, seems to be attacked with a deadly disease and crumbles into dust. Such is regarded to have been the fate of the most magnificent specimen ever known.

Passing through successive hands it finally became the property of a Russian merchant and found a possessor who knew its immense value and prized it accordingly. He kept it carefully in a secluded room of his magnificent mansion, apart from all other of his treasures. It was the wonder and admiration of his favored friends who were permitted to look at it. The merchant finally became involved in a political conspiracy and fled to Paris, taking his one great treasure with him. He kept it hidden for a time, but at last consented to show it to some distinguished lovers of precious stones. But when he opened the casket he fell back in dismay and staggered as though stricken with death. The gem had begun to change color. A fatal disease had attacked it. It was soon a worthless heap of white powder and the once wealthy merchant was a pauper.—*Galveston News.*

THE SAVING OF THE FLAG.

A THRILLING episode THE FORTY-FOURTH AUSTRO-ITALIAN WAR OF 1859.

The "Reminiscences of General di Revel" contain the following stirring account of the saving of the flag: During the Italo-Austrian war of 1859, on the 24th June, part of the Forty-fourth Italian infantry, consisting of a group of about ten officers and twenty-five men, got separated from their regiment during a surprise, and being hard pressed by the Austrians entered a villa called Feuile, near Alzano, and prepared for an obstinate defense. They had with them the flag of the regiment, and the oldest officer present, Captain Rossmelitt, took command.

After the Austrians had been repeatedly repulsed they set fire to some heaps of straw, hay and other inflammable material kept in the garrets of the villa. The Italians, half suffocated by the smoke, and knowing that it would be impossible to defend themselves much longer, determined to save their flag before surrendering. They stripped the bunting from its staff and tore it into small pieces, of which each officer hid a portion under his clothes; the spear point, being indestructible, was hidden under a fireplace in the house, and the staff was broken into pieces and burned. This done Lieut. Chiverni, who spoke German, fixed a white handkerchief to the point of his sword and, leaning from a window in the midst of smoke and fire, offered to surrender—a proposition immediately accepted by the enemy.

The brave little troop issued from the house and surrendered their arms to Col. A Brenge, of the Holenlohe regiment. "Where are the others?" asked the colonel, seeing so few men, and when he had ascertained that there were really no more he exclaimed, "Brave! you defended yourselves like lions!" The Italians, taken prisoners to Austria, managed to keep their precious relics secret, and one of them dying, his piece of bunting was buried with him. On the first of July following, Gen. di Revel was appointed commander of the division, and while inspecting the Forty-fourth Infantry was surprised to see no flag. He was told that it had been taken by the enemy, but as the matter had never been mentioned, and even by the Austrians, who would naturally have been proud of such a trophy, the general called the officers of the Forty-fourth together and begged them to be perfect sincerity as to their loss, and to give first time they found themselves within reach of an enemy's flag to revenge themselves by taking it.

When Austria agreed to the convention of the Red Cross the Italian military doctors were set free, and one of them came to Gen. Di Revel and informed him of what had been done with their flag by the group of officers of the Forty-fourth. The general recommended silence, and his wish was respected. On the 8th of October, when Di Revel went to Verona, a merchant of that city was presented to him, and in secret consigned to him the spear point of the missing flag, which had been found in the villa of Signora Rose Faina, and by her jealously preserved in order to be restored to the Italian army. One can imagine the gratitude of the general.

He reported the affair to the minister of war, begging him to provide a flagstaff. This was done, and when peace was concluded and the prisoners of war returned home, the officers of the Forty-fourth consigned to the general the several pieces of their flag. They were sewn together by three workwomen in the presence of two officers of the company, and attached to the staff and spear point, the whole proceeding being written down, witnessed to and signed, and an account of the saving of the flag added.

On the 25th of October the Forty-fourth regiment was drawn up in the square of St. Mark, and in front stood Lieut. Libretti bearing the recovered flag. The guards was sounded, and Gen. di Revel expressed his pleasure at being able to restore to the assembled regiment the actual flag, stained with the blood of the beautiful of heroes who had so valiantly preserved it from the enemy. "One piece only," he concluded, "is missing, and that lies in the heart of the brave man who carried it with him to the tomb." A storm of applause burst from the regiment and the spectators; then while the men presented arms the general kissed the flag and gave it to Lieut. Col. Zarni, the commander of the regiment, who also kissed it and then reconsigned it to Lieut. Libretti, who, bearing aloft the glorious banner, accompanied Gen. di Revel amid the front of the regiment amid renewed acclamations. The general speaks of this incident as one of the most moving in his military career.

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"That's queer," mused Mr. Facile, as he sat reading his newspaper, "Here Smith, Smith & Smith say in their advertisements that they are having a great run in colored ginghams, and a little farther down they warrant the ginghams not to run. I shall tell my wife to be careful when she trades there."—*The Bostonian.*

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