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Not only is the work remarkably complete and well illustrated but it seems to be peculiarly free of errors of any kind; the motto of the publishers, "Sans Tache" seems to be justified (although "Cod Liver Oil" does not appear in the index).

It is safe to predict that this volume will for many years be the recognized authoritative work on this important subject.

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