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At Canton, Japanese soldiers celebrate one of their festivals with ceremonial which is as quaint as it's picturesque. First of all the cats have to be seen to and although the fayre is simple it's made especially for the occasion. The meal for the rice cakes is flailed with long wooden hammers until it's as fine as dust and for the Western palate it tastes like it.

But when it's made and cooked, well that's a different story.

A large pine tree is put up in front of the men's hut and the whole place begins to look as gay as a mining town after a gold rush. There's going to be some dirty work at the cross roads tonight. It might surprise you to know it's jolly hot in Canton, so what's wrong with a bath before the bath buns. It's a great idea to bathe and fish at the same time and an even greater idea to use bombs instead of bait. It's grand fun while it lasts and who cares if there is a catch in it somewhere.

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