A Millionair's Toilet.

It is not usual to enthuse about any sort of toilet.

It is the kind of little room into which you sneak hoping not to be seen, and having done what you came to do, you pull the chain or lever, possibly wash your hands, and sneak out again. Not so with the toilet provided by a Tahitian Chief for his guests.

Joined to the mainland by a little pier on piles, there was a miniature thatched cottage standing in about six feet of water over a lagoon fringed by white coral sand and coconut palms.

Here is the toilet, neatly constructed and containing the necessary seat hole, properly covered, and all accessories. The lid was taken off to prepare for action and what a fairy land of beauty met the gaze. There beneath the water was a large circle of beautiful coral with its multitudinous shapes of coloured antlers, fans and spikes "What a shame to contaminate such beauty."

Having done what I came to do and completed the process, I could not help sitting for a moment or two contemplating the beauty of a tropical island. Having risen to adjust my attire, a last look below came naturally.

"Were is it? I did, didn't I? Of course I did. But I couldn't have done." There was nothing to be seen.

I told my friend the Chief, but he only laughed heartily. "Tomorrow, you will look quickly for what you have done as soon as you have done it."
Tomorrow came and I followed his advice. I gazed with amazement at perhaps 50 large crabs tearing and pulling everything to pieces and dashing off with a chunk of loot to devour it under the coral. In not more than a minute, peace had again returned to the lovely aquatic garden.

As the days passed, I became quite fond of those crabs. They seemed to know what was coming, and I would pretend to start and then jump up suddenly to spot one or two beating the pistol. "Naughty. Naughty. wait for it." Then when dinner was served, I cheered them on with shouts of "Atta Boy." As the last one disappeared with all that was left, I would say with a throb in my voice, "Sorry boys, I have no more to give you today."