

JAP'S ENGLISH STUDENT.

Experiences Great Difficulty in Writing Language—Like Indicrous Mistakes

The extent to which Japan is becoming Anglicized is shown more or less by the ever increasing use of the English language in Tokio. There are few large shops which do not exhibit some sign or other written in English, and the same is true to a less degree of other large cities in Japan.

"On the dining table nobody shall be seated until the dining and drawing room without the guests allow."

The municipal ordinances of this city contain the following specimen of English literature:

"Any dealer shall be honestly by his trade. Of course, the sold one shall prepare to make up the safe package."

"Our tooth is an important organ for human life and countenance, as you know, therefore when it is attacked by disease or injury, artificial tooth is also very useful. I am engaged in the dentistry and I will make for your purpose."

A shoemaker displays a signboard containing the words: "Shoes maid and men dead here."

"Weak men who is not so hard of his stomach takes notice of his health ever must use wine usually."

Fortunately for the buyer of the wine, the claret is not as bad as the English.

GREWSOME FAD OF GIRLS.

Lively Young Milwaukee Women Shock Friend by Being Photographed in Funeral Array.

There is a set of lively young women in Milwaukee who have an entirely new fad—being photographed in a coffin.

A young woman who had been through the ordeal said that she had a friend who is an undertaker, and she had her picture taken in his shop, lying in a casket lined with white velvet and dressed in white.

A friend of hers has pictures of what she calls her heroic group. One of them represents a sick bed with the relatives weeping over the dying girl.

URGES TEACHERS TO WED. German Leader Advocates Marriage as Means to Aid Cause of Public Education.

Marriage as a means of fostering public education was advocated at the reception recently given in New York by the Society of Educational Research in honor of Dr. Von Seeberg, Duncker and Kuyper.

Do You Believe This? Sometimes a really good story comes from England. Says the Springfield (Mass.) Republican: One is now told of a storm which blew the spire of a country church down into the sea.

A Costly Harness. The new harness which the khedive of Egypt ordered in England some months ago is the most costly ever made for four horses. It is valued at \$10,000.

CRAZED BY BILL BOARDS.

Daughter of a New Jersey Preacher Driven to Insanity by Pictures of Jekyll and Hyde.

Saying that she must be protected from those creatures of the billboards, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Miss Carrie Roodie, 18 years old, daughter of Rev. J. Alexander Roodie, of Jersey City, N. J., has been sent to the insane asylum.

She has had aspirations for the stage, but the fact that she was the daughter of a minister compelled her to limit her appearance to amateur performances for charity.

Nothing strange was noticed in her demeanor until billboards appeared across the way filled with horrid pictures of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.

CLUB HAS UNIQUE RACES. Prominent Society Men and Women of Cleveland Drive Bats, Cats and Geese in Contests.

Swell society of Cleveland, O., cast dignity aside the other day, and, attired in odd and comical costumes, drove rats, cats and geese in races.

There were pigs for men pigchases for ladies, pig hunts indulged in by both men and women and egg and spoon races for women.

The features of the day were the rat, goose and cat races, in which these animals, all family pets, were driven by women.

BOY IS A "WALKING BIBLE." Youth, 16 Years Old, Can Recite 331 Chapters Without Making Mistake.

Extraordinary claims are made for J. L. Washington, styled the "walking Bible and prodigy," who was recently in Washington preaching at various colored churches.

WHOLE TOWNSHIP INVITED. Retired Wisconsin Farmer Entertains Nearly 900 Guests at Daughter's Wedding.

In honor of the marriage of their only daughter, Kate, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lousley, of Center, Wis., invited every family living in the village and in the township of Grand Chute to the wedding.

A Japanese Joke. A Glasgow paper prints a story of Arthur Hailey treating a crowd, one of whom was the Japanese minister.

PERIL IN WOMAN'S EMOTION. A Lecturer Says That Sympathies Should Be Controlled to Obtain Best Results.

Emotion turned on by a spark, or in other words, "judicious" emotion, in the relations of family and neighborhood life, was recently advocated by Mrs. Mary Holmes, of the Young Women's Travelers' association, who addressed the Women's Columbian club at the North-western university settlement in Chicago.

WOMAN PREVENTS A WRECK. Gallops on Pony Three Miles to Warn Section Men of Burning Bridge.

Mrs. Horace Spaulding, residing north of La Crosse, Wis., mounted a pony and galloped three miles in the darkness over a country road at four o'clock the other morning.

FADS OF ROYALTIES.

KINGS AND QUEENS PROFICIENT IN VARIOUS LINES.

Several Doctors Among European Rulers—Carlos of Portugal a Persistent Kodaker—Oscar of Sweden a Musician.

The old idea that kings and queens did nothing but reign will scarcely stand in view of the following collection of interesting facts concerning the employment of royalties.

LARGEST BRIDGE ON EARTH. Contract Is Let for Structure 10,270 Feet Long to Span East River, New York.

The Pennsylvania Steel company, of Steelton, Pa., has entered into a contract to build the Blackwell's Island bridge at New York, the largest ever constructed.

ANCIENT IMAGE LIKE DEWEY. Antediluvian Statue is a Good Likeness of Senator, Side Whiskers and All.

University of Chicago professor and student digging among the ruins of U-d-Num have discovered a statue which is admittedly the oldest in the world.

DEATH-ROLL IN ALPS LARGE. Number of Casualties in the Famous Mountains Climbs to Awful Total During 1904.

The International Alpine club published the following terrifying statistics: In the year 1898 there were 37 fatal accidents; in 1899 there were 47 deaths; in 1900, 61; in 1901, 69; in 1902, the death roll of the Alps swelled to 119; and in 1903 to 148.

PROPERTY LEFT IN CARRIAGES. The feature of the annual report of the London commissioner of police that invariably attracts most notice is the record of property left in "public carriages."

HERASM RECOGNIZED. Gwynne Chapin of Oshkosh, Wis., has received a bronze medal from the Humane society of Massachusetts, awarded in recognition of his rescuing a boy from drowning in a sewer at Boston, May 25, 1894.

DEATH MESSAGE IN BOTTLE

Tidings of Fate of Crew of Lost Steamer or Hudson Washed Ashore at Bay Mills, Mich.

"Steering engine on Hudson broke down; we are all going down, goodbye."

JAPS SEEK AIRSHIP. FLYING MACHINE MAY AID ISLANDERS IN WAR.

Airships may be used in the war against Russian. Dr. August Grith of San Francisco, inventor and builder of the "California Eagle," which repeatedly has made across the straits, has received a tentative proposition through representatives of the Japanese government.

SEEK RELIEF IN GINGER. Society Victims of "Strain" Take to Homely Remedy—Physicians Call It a Depraving Drug.

The taking of ginger, in the form of essence or strong tincture, is revealed by a medical man as a growing form of inebriety among society people in England.

BOY WHIPS THREE MEN. Incorrigible California "Kid" Discovers of Trio of Grown-Ups—Subdued by Dark Cell.

Harold Blackford, an 11-year-old Oakland, Cal., boy weighing about 50 pounds, who resides with his uncle, started out with a purpose of doing a lot of globe trotting on his own account recently, and before the day was over gave the police a fine.

RARE TAPESTRY IN VIKING. Ancient Craft Found to Contain Hangings of Those Made in Bayeux.

The old Viking stave which was recently discovered near Tomteberg, Sweden, proved to be of greater archaeological interest than was at first supposed.

ONE NOT ENOUGH. A New York doctor has killed a cat and brought it back to life again. When he has done it eight times more with the same cat it may prove something.