LAST LOOK AT THE KOREA THAT WAS

"Land of Morning Calm" Fast Changing Into Land of Modern Hustle—Korean Dreamer Must Become Japanned.

Of all Asiatic countries, there are none that can hold more interest for the American people than Japan. Mr. Haskin will tell tomorrow of Japan's ambitions to become the greatest power in Asia and of the methods she is pursuing to attain that end. He will tell of the patience and loyalty with which the poorer classes of the empire pay nearly half of their annual income into the treasury of the empire and why there will be no war between Nippon and the United States.

By Frederic J. Haskin.

Washington, Oct. 18.—The Korea that was, is soon to pass out of existence. It died, nationally upon the fateful night when the royal seals were attached, by weak kneed ministers cowed by iron handed Japanese, to a document giving Japan authority to manage the foreign affairs of the country—an agreement which the emperor did not sign, although he was in desperate fear of assassination and had before his troubled vision the picture of his queen, murdered a few years before under a written contract between Japanese statesmen and the Taiwonkun.

As yet Korea has not become infested—and enriched—by the tourists. It is interesting to visit the country and have a look at it while it is still Korean except around the edges and along the railroads, which the enterprise of the Japanese has served to improve and extend, although the first railroad building was done by Americans.

A Look at Old Korea.

From the coast Korea presents the aspect of a harsh, gaunt land of treeless mountains edged with a fringe of islets, rocky and barren, which gave the title "King of the Ten Thousand Islands" to the ancient rulers of the Hermit Kingdom. But the following lines from the pen of one of the Korean poets aptly describe the hinterland:

"To north and south the furrowed mountains reach,
A wolf, gigantic, crouching to his rest.
To east and west the streams, like serpents lithe,
Glide down and seek a home beneath the sea.
The south—warm mother of a race—pours out
Her wealth in billowy floods of grain.
The north—
Stern foster mother—yields her scanty store
By hard compulsion; makes her children pay
For bread by mintage of their brawn and blood."

Despite some 40 centuries of cultivation and reckless deforestation, Korea is still a smiling land beneath smiling skies. The climate is like that of New England. The scenery is such that when the Japanese complete their improvement of transportation facilities the herd of those who go to the ends of the earth in search of novelty will turn toward this now little frequented peninsula between the Yellow Sea and the Sea of Japan.

Glimpse of Korean Women.

The civilization of Korea has been unique among those of other ancient oriental countries. As elsewhere in Asia, the women of this country have always been secluded. Although they do not wear veils like the Mohammedans, they appear in public only when their faces are partly covered with a sort of sleeved apron called a changot, which is worn over the head and held about the face so that but little of the face is visible. The changot is almost invariably of green silk trimmed in white. Ladies of position rarely walk in the streets unaccompanied, and when they are carried in chairs they are screened from the profaning gaze of man. Yet while the women of India, Egypt and China have never been educated—there were not a score of Egyptian women who could read when England took charge of that country—the Korean women have always been great readers of novels.

Korea has had music, a literature of no mean pretensions, and a crude sort of art expressed in painting. Although the classical music of this country is without what we of the west call melody, it has been written under exact rules for the last 15 centuries, and the classical songs sung by the gasang, corresponding to the dancing girls of ancient Greece, rather than to the geishas of Japan or to the chorus girls of Europe and America, are not without charm to the educated western ear.

Early Literature.

The literature of Korea dates back to the seventh century, and there were at that time essays, poems, novels and short stories in print. The bookstalls of Seoul are at the present time piled with books, light and heavy, which attest the taste of a certain proportion of the people for reading. The fiction of the east is nearly always upon the style of the Decameron, and that of Korea is not an exception to the rule. It is because of this, perhaps, that some of the novelists have written anonymously, but it is partly because literary men in Korea, and readers as well, pretend to despise light reading and to prefer the classical.

Some Korean Verses.

Among the philosophers whose works are current in Korea was one whose verses are strikingly similar to those of the much read Omar. To quote:

"'Twas years ago that Kim and I
Struck hands and swore, however dry
That lip might be, or sad the heart,
The merry wine should have no part
In mitigating sorrow's blow
Or quenching thirst; 'twas long ago.

"And now I've reached the flood-tide mark
Of life; the ebb begins, and dark
The future lowers. The tide of wine
Will never ebb. 'Twill aye be mine
To mourn the desecrated fane
Where that lost pledge of youth lies slain.

"Nay, nay, begone! The jocund bowl
Again shall bolster up my soul
Against itself. What, good man, hold;
Can'st tell me where red wine is sold?
There
Good luck be thine; I'll thither fare."

No Theatres in Seoul.

Korean poetry runs the gamut from the classical to what in a western country would be newspaper verse. There is not a theatre or opera house in Seoul. The place of the drama has been filled in the homes of well-to-do Koreans by dramatic readings of novels and epic poems by professional readers, to a musical accompaniment, while the gasang, supported by the government, have filled the place of opera.

The Korean is nothing if not impractical. Ponderous and informing books upon agriculture have been published by the government only to adorn the libraries of gentlemen of leisure, because they are too high priced to be owned by the farmers. About 800 years ago a learned Korean wrote a geography that was, and is, a complete gazeteer of the country. It not only surpasses that torchlight of the tourist, the modern guide book, in wealth of detail, but also boasts literary merit. Yet there was hardly a school system that could be called a system, and where a small class of Koreans were versed in the classics the masses were hewers of wood and drawers of water.

Lovers of the Beautiful.

The Koreans are lovers of the beautiful. This is reflected in their descriptive literature, particularly pastoral poetry, as well as in the artistic design of the houses of the wealthy and the use of flowers as adornment for the yards of even the poorest. The pine, which figures so prominently in the landscape and in art in Japan, is in Korea the symbol of manly strength as is the oak in the west. The willow, straight and graceful, symbolizes womanly beauty, grace and purity. Both of these trees figure in Korean literature.

Conservatism has been the curse, and has proved the downfall of Korea. All easterners save the Japanese are dreamers, and most of them are wedded to the past, but no people is buried in the past as are the Koreans. The spirit of the nation is voiced by the poet who sang:

"When earth, the fresh, warm earth, by heaven's decree,
Was measured out, mile beyond mile afar;
The smiling face of Chosun first upturned
Toward the o'er arching sky is dimpled still
With that same smile; and nature's kindly law,
In its unchangeability, rebukes
The fickle fashions of the thing called man."

Koreans Revere the Past.

To the Korean the old is always better than the new. He reveres the past of his country, but during the last century and a half, which mark the decadence of national strength and the falling off in the once martial spirit of the people, he has cared too little about her future. Had it been otherwise, Chosun, as the country is called in Korean literature, might have kept step with the progress of other nations, and the sequence of catastrophe of the last two decades might not have occurred.

Future Will Be Japanned.

The Korea of the future will be a Japanned Korea. Its distinctive characteristics have not been materially changed as yet outside of a few seaport towns and along the line of the railways, but the change is progressing rapidly with the influx of Japanese immigrants and the dominance of a nation which looks upon the Korean and everything Korean as negligible. The new Korea will become the Mecca of the globetrotters who have "done" other eastern countries until they have wearied of them, for here the much longed for "something different" will be found as long as the transformation lasts, and somewhat longer. The compelling charm of the rugged mountains, the silvery streams that traverse the valleys, the wealth of color that greets the eye of the traveler from the car window as the train pursues its serpentine course along the bases of the conical hills—here a vista that resembles a bit of the Swiss Alps, and there a desert range of eroded peaks—will remain a delight to the visitor's eye. As a hunter's paradise Korea should also claim the attention of the man of leisure for a long time. At present the tiger and the leopard look down, amazed, upon the headlight of the locomotive speeding up the valley, and pheasants are sometimes seen sitting upon the ancient crumbling walls of the capital.

The new Korea will be a land of mines, railroads, thriving agriculture and tourist hotels. The Korean will be forced to cut off his topknot, abondon his old fashioned costume and become as Japanned as he can. His day is done.

WILL READ PAPER AT A LATER DAY

Attendance at the Baptist ministers' meeting yesterday was small. Several had already left for Roseburg to attend the state convention. The majority of ministers plan to leave this evening. No address was given though the floor was extended to Miss Carrie Millspaugh, secretary of home missions. Miss Millspaugh's address was postponed, however, till next Monday morning, that the ministers may bring their wives and that Sunday school workers may attend and hear her talk on the "Forward Movement."

An effort was made to have her address the general committee, consisting of prominent members from all the Baptist churches, which will meet next Monday night to arrange for the Baptist daily. This plan was abandoned because of several other meetings that night.

The question of union or community Thanksgiving services was discussed but in the end it was left undecided because the action of the Baptists must depend largely on the action of the other denominations. Most of the ministers favor community services for all the denominations.

Commission Plan in Illinois.

Elgin, Ill., Oct. 19.—Topics of great public interest are to be wrestled with by the Mayors' association of the state of Illinois, which opened its annual convention here today. The principal question to be considered this year is the matter of mapping out a campaign for the passage of an act enabling Illinois municipalities to adopt the commission form of government. The deep waterway movement is another problem that will receive attention during the three days' session. John McVickar, former mayor of Des Moines, and others of prominence are among the scheduled speakers.

LIVE SIMPLY IN OPEN AIR

Advice by Bishop Scadding in Sunday Sermon at Hospital.

Bishop Scadding preached a special sermon to doctors and trained nurses at the Bishop Morris Memorial chapel in the Good Samaritan hospital Sunday. The bishop's text was taken from the book Ecclesiasticus, 38th chapter, verses 12-14. "Give place to the physician, for the Lord hath created him; let him not go from thee, for thou hast need of him." The bishop began with an interesting account of the life of St. Luke, and showed by many references that the medical language used by Luke proved beyond question that he was "the beloved physician."

Emphasis was laid on the fact that St. Paul and St. Luke worked together hand in hand, and this typified the combination of the gospel and medical science, the clergyman and the physician, the redemption of the soul and the redemption of the body. The bishop said:

"Christians must not disconnect the discovery of truth in any direction from him who is the truth. We must believe that every new light that true science has thrown in any direction is a ray from him who is the light. We must believe that the patient efforts of every physical student, in the discoveries that have rewarded medical men, in their power of benefiting human beings, which accompanies that knowledge—all these are part of God's truth."

The bishop counselled against hysteria. "It is astonishing," he said, "how many hysterical people there are in the world. Keep your mental poise. Live simply and as much in the open air as possible. Choose your physician, some one who is known to have had a thorough medical training, and then trust him, and stay by him. There are men today like Elymas, the sorcerer, and Simon, the magic and mental healer, but avoid them as you would the evil one. Do not lose your head.

"Remember that facts prove that in the practice of the best and even of average conscientious physicians recoveries, in proportion to the number of patients and diseases, are far greater than among those claimants to special divine aid who refuse to use means.

"Think of the years and years of patient study and skill the doctor must give to this special department of surgical practice; think of the work and care the skilled surgeon puts on each case, and then compare that, if you can, with the healer who talks pious platitudes; who has hardly ever seen the inside of a hospital, who knows nothing of anatomy, and yet sweetly promises 'absent treatment,' 'thought transference,' 'mental healing,' for the cure of congenital deformity in your child. Surely our duty to ourselves, and our friends in view of sickness, is to be sensible—common sensible; and not allow ourselves to become hysterical over the fad and fancies of the varying hour.

"It is beyond controversy that our Lord devoted a great deal of his ministry to healing the sick, that he sent forth his first disciples to carry out the same two-fold mission of preaching and healing. The modern Emmanuel Movement has done much good, and awakened many to the value of the soul."

MINISTERS PROTEST AGAINST ORDINATION

Johnston, N. Y., Oct. 19.—One of the sharpest theological controversies since the trial of the Rev. Dr. Charles A. Briggs, of the Union seminary, on charges of heresy will come to a head at the annual meeting of the New York Presbyterian synod, which convened here today for a three days' session. The synod will be called upon to consider the protest made by certain ministers of the New York Presbytery against the latter's action in allowing the Rev. Archibald A. Black to become a minister. Mr. Black was one of three candidates for the pulpit, who upon examination, refused to subscribe to certain orthodox views expressed on cardinal scriptural doctrines, such as the story of the Garden of Eden, the Immaculate Conception and the miracles. The outcome of the protest, should it be upheld by the synod, may be a decision prohibiting the Presbytery from licensing any more graduates from Union Theological seminary, from which Mr. Black and other candidates accused of heterodoxy, came up for examination.

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New Lace Curtains $1.25 Pair

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