

JAPAN'S SENSE OF HUMOR.

It Seems to Be Too Subtle For Occidental Minds to Master.

Japan was the first foreign country where I saw moving pictures shown. In Yokohama one whole street is given up to moving pictures—Theater street. Great banners hung clear across it with the picturesque Japanese alphabet racing up and down them advertise the respective performances.

On the floor the audience sits, with their feet squarely turned under them, absorbed in the shifting shadows. The subtitles are in English, but so common is English coming to be in Japan that the meaning doesn't go over their heads. There is always some one to whisper the title's meaning.

American manufacturers have labored long and hard to find films that will amuse the Japanese, but their success has not been very marked. No white mind can fathom a Japanese's sense of humor. Our funniest films over there go flat. But in the midst of a death scene in some dramatic film they will suddenly begin to rock with merriment. There is a fortune in it for any one who will locate the Japanese bump of humor and manufacture plays that will hit it.

The Japanese are now manufacturing their own films, but they are not of much interest to white people, as nothing ever happens in them. There is no action. Half a reel may be given up to drinking a cup of tea. But this may be exceedingly funny to the Japanese, for there has been more going on than shows on the surface. By the way they lift their cups, by the way they swing their fan they are passing a message. Two Japanese can talk to each other with their fans, while the white man standing alongside understands nothing of what they are saying.—World Outlook.

TRAVELERS' TALES.

Some That Were Discredited and Vindicated Long Afterward.

Travelers' tales have often been accused of being mere flights of imagination, and in the past stay at home people have sometimes cried in treating travelers' tales with scorn. There was, for instance, the description by James Bruce in 1770 of the barbarous Abyssinian custom of eating raw meat cut from the living animal, which was ridiculed by everybody. Yet Bruce was proved right. When Paul du Chaillu explored equatorial Africa in 1861 and described the wonderful gorillas and

also the nation of dwarfs there he was discredited none too politely by the British Royal Geographical society. Yet subsequent explorers amply vindicated his veracity.

In the matter of discredited travelers' tales vindicated long afterward it will never be possible to beat the classic instance in Herodotus. He tells how King Neco of Egypt commissioned certain Phoenician mariners to circumnavigate Africa if they could. They did it, starting from the Red sea and returning by the straits of Gibraltar after very many months. And they reported, says Herodotus, that in rounding the southern end of Africa they had the sun on their right hand. "I, for my part," he says, "do not believe this, but perhaps others may."

In modern times that detail is precisely what proves that the Phoenicians did achieve the wonderful voyage. Such an "improbable" fact could never have been invented in an age which was not familiar with the equator.

Pitcairn Island.

Pitcairn Island is in latitude 25 degrees 8 minutes south and longitude 130 degrees 6 minutes west, or almost exactly south of Vancouver Island, and just a little south of the tropic of Capricorn. It was first settled in 1790 by nine mutineers from the English ship Bounty and eighteen natives of Tahiti. By the year 1808, when the island was discovered by the English, the population had grown to sixty-six persons, who formed a model community under the patriarchal government of John Adams, the only surviving mutineer, who had saved a Bible from the ship and was ruling with wisdom and justice his little kingdom of slightly over two miles in length. The island now has over 200 population.—Christian Herald.

Revised Proverbs.

The man who knows not and knows not he knows not, he is frequent. You can't do anything with him.

The man who knows not and knows he knows not, he will listen to you with awe. Cultivate him.

The man who knows and knows not he knows, shun him. He may wake up and become wise to you.

The man who knows and knows he knows, he is a bore. Blackball him.—Judge.

"How can I break myself of the habit of talking in my sleep?"

"Get married. Then you won't dare to talk in your sleep."—London Saturday Journal.

WORKED THE WRONG WAY.

His Efforts to Be Famed For Courtesy Met With a Check.

"You read in the papers now and then," said the sad-faced street car conductor as a deeper shade of sadness crossed his face, "that some rich person had left a policeman or a conductor a fine legacy for being courteous to them. After I had read two or three of such things I made up my mind to put on an extra touch of courtesy in cases of old women and old men. I, too, had a chance offered me. A fine old lady took my car, and I helped her to find a seat and answered all the questions about how to reach Mercy street. She had to change from my car to another, and I tenderly helped her off the platform and gave her the most minute directions. For the next two days I felt that I would be named in her will, but then something happened that made me believe that I would not."

"And what happened?" was asked. "I was called to headquarters on a complaint made by that very old woman I had used so nicely. She had entered a complaint of negligence against me, and I was called up to explain."

"But what caused her?" "It was that I did not raise my cap to her when turning to get on my car after directing her. I have given up all hope of a legacy and gone back to my usual politeness and no more. I guess all the grateful old women died off before I took this job."—Baltimore American.

WE DON'T WORK AT ALL.

In Fact, We Have No Time to, as This Argument Proves.

With the present agitation for an ever increasingly short working day comes the statistician who proves that by rights the American workman should work only one day. Follow the argument closely:

There are by common consent 365 days in the year. Doctors agree that a man should devote one-third of his time to sleep and one-third to recreation. Counting one-third of a year as approximately 122 days, we have 121 days left after taking out this allowance.

Subtract from this fifty-two Sundays which are the workman's right, and we have sixty-nine days left. Saturday half holidays consume twenty-six of these, leaving forty-three.

One hour off for lunch on five days in the week make 200 hours, or approximately twenty-two days, which leaves our total working time twenty-one days. But a man is entitled to a two weeks' vacation in the summer and the six legal holidays afforded by the state, making a total vacation time of twenty days. Taking this from our working time of twenty-one days, we have a remainder of one working day.—New York Tribune.

Believed Them True Stories.

When Dante published his "Inferno" the simplicity of the age accepted it as a true narrative of his descent into hell.

When the "Utopia" of Sir Thomas More was first published it occasioned a pleasant mistake. This political romance represents a perfect but visionary republic in an island supposed to have been newly discovered in America. "As this was the age of discovery," says Granger, "the learned Budaeus and others took it for a genuine history and considered it as highly expedient that missionaries should be sent thither in order to convert so wise a nation to Christianity."

It was a long while after publication that many readers were convinced that Gulliver's travels were fictitious.

Long People Are Seldom Fat.

Some persons are born with a normal tendency to become fat, others with a tendency to leanness. It is the same among the lower animals. The hog is a sort of machine for transforming the odds and ends of food into fat, but the farmer knows beforehand that a little pig with long legs and snout will work off the fat as fast as it can be made. So a long legged person seldom inclines to obesity.

Elephant Trumpetings.

An elephant rushing upon an assailant trumpets shrilly with fury. Fear is similarly expressed in a shrill brassy sound or by a roar from the lungs, pleasure by a continued low squeaking through the trunk or an almost inaudible purring sound from the throat.

Grave Mounds In China.

The Chinese do not use monuments for marking graves. The coffin is interred about one foot below the surface, and over it a mound is raised, its size depending upon the rank of the family and its feeling toward the departed member.

Putting It Mildly.

"Would you call Uncle Peter a stingy man?"

"Well, no. I'd merely say that he had all his generous impulses under perfect control."—Boston Transcript.

Comparisons.

"My butler left me without any warning."

"You got off easy. Mine left me without any spoons."—Baltimore American.

Fruity.

Wags—That girl is sure a peach. Wagg—Did you ever see her twin sister? They're a pair.—Philadelphia Record.

Obedience is not truly performed by the body of him whose heart is dissatisfied.—Saadi.

SACRED TOOTH OF BUDDHA.

The Palace in Ceylon in Which This Relic Is Preserved.

At all times of the year in Kandy, Ceylon, may be seen followers of Buddha making their way to the great Mahigawa temple, the "Palace of the Sacred Tooth," in order to lay offerings and flowers at the shrine of the founder of their religion.

Entering the temple, they pass into a small room, some twelve feet square, in which is kept the famous tooth of Buddha. The chamber is lighted by two lamps which have not been allowed to go out for years. The walls are splendidly decorated, and the vessel—called the Karundua—containing the tooth stands on a massive silver table amidst a gorgeous array of jewels and other valuable gifts.

The Karundua is draped with muslin, beneath which is a silver dome studded with gems, and under this is a dome of gold, beautifully carved and literally incrustated with precious stones. Two similar coverings lie below them, and beneath these is a small case of gold, in which on leaves of a gold lotus reposes the tooth itself. This relic, carefully guarded, is seldom seen by others than priests.

So much in reverence is the tooth held that to lay an offering to Buddha on the table bearing it is an ambition which every Buddhist would not fail to gratify if circumstances permitted.—Pearson's Weekly.

WORK IS HEALTH.

Idleness Is Often the Cause of Human Diseases and Decay.

Work is not the curse nor the affliction that some people think it is. When taken in proper doses it is the best of medicines. It is now being prescribed for many forms of invalidism, such as heart disease, Bright's disease, nervousness and particularly for insanity.

The lack of work is often the cause of many chronic maladies, and it is a wise physician who can determine when one needs work instead of rest and in prescribing the remedy produce no unpleasant situations.

About the most unhealthful person, as well as the most unhappy and useless, is the person with nothing to do.

Work is a dispeller of fears. It is the exercise that is as essential to the body and mind as are food and air. It is only when work is carried to excess that it becomes injurious, as in the case with food, rest and all good things.

The ideal of a healthy, happy life is no longer a world where work is not necessary and life is one grand sweet song of idleness. Life is activity; in the broad sense it is work—work that produces and entails sacrifice. It is not less work that we need, but work in the right proportions and under the right conditions. Such work is health.—North Carolina Health Bulletin.

The Oasis of Jupiter.

The oasis of Siwa is better known as the oasis of Jupiter Ammon, one of the most famous oracles of antiquity. The visit of Alexander the Great to this temple was among the most romantic incidents of his career. He came to ask whether he was only the son of the mortal Philip or the son of the great god himself. Apparently Alexander received full assurance from the oracle of his divine origin, with the promise of unbroken victory until he should be taken away to join the gods. And many signs showed his superhuman status. Rain fell in the desert just when his soldiers' thirst required it, and when his guides lost their way two speaking serpents or ravens appeared to direct them.—London Chronicle.

Took It as a Joke.

There is a story of Mr. Disraeli at the time of his extremely bumptious youth when he had just returned from his travels in the east. As a young man, much under thirty, he met Lord Melbourne, who was then prime minister, at dinner. Lord Melbourne proceeded to discourse on the eastern question, but instead of listening to the prime minister with the respect which he ought young Disraeli said, "It seems to me that your lordship has taken your knowledge of the east from 'The Arabian Nights.'"

Some prime ministers would have snubbed the young man severely. Lord Melbourne was not of that kind. He rubbed his hands with great cheerfulness and said to the young man, "And a devilish good place to take it from!"

Perverted Proverbs.

Strike while the iron is hot.

The more waist the less speed.

A thrown kiss spreads no germs.

One swallow doesn't make a supper.

It's a long loan that has no returning.

It is more blessed to give than to be given away.

A little change in the pocket is worth two changes in the weather.—Boston Transcript.

Her Retort.

Husband (at breakfast)—Oh, for some of the biscuit my mother used to make! Wife (sweetly)—I'm sorry you can't have them, dear. They would be just about stale enough by this time to go quite well with that remark.—Indianapolis Star.

Rubber Trees.

India rubber trees which are tapped every other day continue to yield sap for more than twenty years, and the oldest and most frequently tapped trees produce the richest sap.

Agreed.

He kissed her suddenly. "Well, I like that!" she cried. "So do I," he answered, and she let it go at that.

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