

POLICE

BOTH EDUCATION AND MUSCLE DEMANDED.

With the Powers of a Police Justice They Arrest or Release Prisoners.

"The Japanese police are nearly all of the Samurai class. I think that force may be considered the most perfect police in the world," says Lafayette Hearn, the well known American writer, now a resident of Japan.

Some twenty years ago the Department of Police of Japan was modeled on the French system and the result has been interesting. In the first place, the department is independent of the municipal governments of the Japanese cities; in each state or province it is under the control of the governor.

Some of the qualifications that are demanded in a candidate for appointment to force in Japan must seem extraordinary to Americans. Each applicant for appointment must write a short essay in the Japanese, as well as in the modern Japanese style.

The physical requirements in an applicant are much simpler. He must possess good health, be free from deformity, and stand at least five feet two inches in height.

After passing satisfactory mental and physical examinations, the applicant becomes a police fledgling. He must now spend six months at a "preparatory school," where he is drilled in the science of police work. While in this preparatory department he is not a policeman in full, but remains a sort of apprentice until he completes the whole course of study.

The "taijitsu" or art of "breaking muscles," as it is sometimes called, does not least resemble American boxing. By aid a man who weighs 130 pounds is to throw a man twice his weight.

Before the Japanese government decided to adopt the taijitsu, or "art of breaking bones," a 128 pound professor of the art a public contest with a heavy and sculler six footer whom he vanquished easily. The victor was only five feet four inches in height, while the wrestler whom he overpowered was more than six feet and weighed over 250 pounds.

Like a fight between an elephant and a lion, where he lay senseless until restored the aid of the same "art of breaking bones." Since then the science of taijitsu has been highly cultivated, not only by the police, but also by college and university students, as in it are contained all the secrets of physical culture.

A Japanese policeman was first equipped with a heavy club about four feet long and one inch and a half in diameter. Afterward this weapon was abandoned for a cavalry sword, for the reason that the great majority of the policemen were drawn from the Samurai class, who were accustomed to the use of swords.

A year ago policemen were equipped with revolvers and short clubs, which they now carry. The Japanese policeman does not handle his club. He is provided with a sword, but strong, cord, about six feet long, which he ties the offender's arms, binding him, after being tied, to prevent escape.

The police force is drawn chiefly from the Samurai class, who love neither honor nor favoritism, but honor and countenance is no such thing as bribery. The Department of Police there are several bureaus, namely, political, news-censorship, public meeting, festival, etc.

The system of secret police, or detectives also very perfect, and the movement of all criminals of more or less degree minutely traced and recorded at the Japanese "Rogues' Gallery."

The uniform of a Japanese policeman is very much like that worn by the "L" guards in New York City. In winter it is black, in summer it is white.

SHOOTING A RAPID.

Approached the steersman in the canoe stood up to look over the bow. The sea was high. Was it too high?

Could they leap the waves? There came a quick talk among our guides as we moved along, undecided which way to go. Then the question seemed to settle.

As most of these woodland questions are of some slight force of nature had been answered, the "steersman" stepped forward, "surveys an hour" and then says to the "company of men."

"Americans have spent \$55,000,000 for the war during the past year."

THE JOKERS' BUDGET.

JESTS AND YARNS BY FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

A Clever Recovery--He Meant Matrimony--Just Before the Banquet, Etc., Etc.

A CLEVER RECOVERY. Miss Valse--How much that woman over there looks like a Chinese.

Mr. Swain--You think so? She's my wife. Miss V--Y-e-e-s. Her feet are so delightfully small, you know.

HE MEANT MATRIMONY. Count Penniless--My dear Mees Banks, speak ze vord zat vill make me ze happiest of mortals.

Miss Banks--Money. JUST BEFORE THE BANQUET. Cannibal--Have you anything to say before being dished up?

Missionary--Yes. I would like to testify to the advantages of a vegetarian diet.

HE HAD THE OTHER KIND. Miss Tack--Phlander, who wrote that charming song, "Sweet Dreams are Mine?"

Mr. Sinick--I don't know, but I'll bet nine dollars it wasn't the man who went two Welsh rarebits!

Tommie was looking over the puzzle column of his paper. One of the questions was, "How can you put down nine strokes in such a way that their total shall represent one?"

"Ho! That's easy," said he. "Nine strokes is about the size of one spankin."--Harper's Bazaar.

EXPENSIVE LUXURIES. Goodfello--See here, Gayboy, you are killing yourself here at your desk. No man can stand working night and day all the year round.

Gayboy--Can't help it. I must have money. Goodfello--Money! You talk of needing money. Why, you own one of the finest yachts in New York waters.

Gayboy--Yes, that's why I need money. HAD TO WORK. Rural Ragges--It's no use, Tatst; I've got ter work.

Tramping Tatst--Land o' labor, Roory, me boy! What's de matter wid yer? Are yer losin' yer intellec'?

Rural Ragges--No; but I swallowed a yeast cake in mistake for a marsh mallow.

NOT STRANGE. "I wonder why so short a man as Bimley should marry such a tall girl as Miss Tupper?"

"Probably the same reason that induced Miss Tupper to marry a little fellow like Bimley."

GOOD FOR THE DOCTORS. Wilkins--I wonder why it is that the medical journals are beginning to take an interest in the improvement of country roads.

Bilkins--I don't know, but I have heard that bicycling has produced half a dozen new diseases.--New York Weekly.

BREAKING THE NEWS. Clara--I wish I knew how to get out of marrying him. Maude--So do I.--Life.

NOT THERE. "What I want to know," said the early oyster, "is whether I am to be in the swim this season."

"Not this time," said the cook, as he scooped him into a pattie.

ECONOMY. "This is very pretty for a dollar," said one fair shopper to another.

"Yes, I'm determined to have one. But the price is too high. Lend me ten cents for car fare and I'll go to Oddson's, where they sell the same thing for 99 cents."

A GOOD DEFINITION. "Papa," said Benny Bloobumper, "what does the word sophistry mean?"

"Sophistry, Benny," replied Mr. Bloobumper, "is the other fellow's argument."--Judge.

MONETARY. He was as pale as death. "No," the beautiful American was faltering, "I will not marry you."

The scion of a noble race staggered from the room. "Capital," he hissed, as with the instinct of a gentleman he eluded the best umbrella in the rack, "is still timid, I see."--Detroit Tribune.

IN THE MUSEUM. The Candy Butcher--The glass eater's got cholera morbus. The Zulu Chief--Serves him right. He ought to know enough to let green bottles alone this time of the year.

AN EQUINE PANIC. "When Mamie rides her bicycle in bloomers, does she seem shy?"

"No; but you ought to see the horses she meets!"

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Died on "Tom Thumb's" Bed. Seth L. Stratton, an uncle of "Tom Thumb," died at Bridgeport, Conn., aged ninety years.

PROFITABLE DAIRY WORK. One only be accomplished with the very best of tools and appliances. Cream Separator you are and better the skimmed milk is a valuable feed.

Linene advertisement with logo and text: LINENE

GREAT BOOK FREE. When Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., published the first edition of his work, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, he announced that after 650,000 copies had been sold at the regular price, \$1.50 per copy, the profit on which would repay him for the great amount of labor and money expended in producing it.

ELASTIC TRUSS advertisement with logo and text: RUPTURE CURED

GREAT FUN! Send us six 1-cent stamps to help pay postage, packing, etc., and we will send you a handsome box of our new and popular "Brownie" Stamp.

JOHN P. LOVELL ARMS CO. advertisement with logo and text: An elegant book for your table and constant reference.

Which have you an eye to, quantity or quality, when you buy something to make washing easy? If it's quality, you want Pearline.

What difference does the quantity make, after all? If you spend five cents or ten cents or a dollar for an aid to washing, don't you want the thing that will give you the most work, the best work, and the most certain safety for that amount of money? That thing is Pearline.

Send it Back. Pearline and some unscrupulous grocers will tell you "this is as good as" or "the same as Pearline." IT'S FALSE--Pearline is never peddled, or whether fully emblemized with the name of Pearline, be honest--send it back.

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