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#### ROYAL BETROTHAL OF JAPANESE.

TOKYO (Canadian Press)—On the day of the announcement of his engagement to Princess Nagako, the Prince Regent of Japan presented his future consort with the historic sword of betrothal, and to finally seal the contract the Emperor and Empress donated five rolls of silk, a cask of sake and a box containing two tal, a variety of fish. That, however, was only a very small part of the ceremony. Early on the morning of the betrothal day Count Tokugawa the grand chamberlain to the Emperor, through Viscount Makino, minister to the Imperial Household, told the Prince Regent that Prince Kuni, father of Princess Nagako, had given his consent to the match. The young Prince Regent wore the yellowish brown court costume that for centuries has been the formal regalia of Japanese royalty. He received the minister in the famous Crysanthemum Hall of the Imperial palace. And, having heard his message, he accompanied Prince Kuni, the chief ritualist, to the Imperial shrine. There, he announced his engagement to the spirits of his ancestors. After that, the Prince Regent formally thanked the Emperor and Empress and returned to his own palace, where he received the congratulations of the most prominent personages in Japan. A banquet followed and the Prince Regent was invested with the First Class Order of the Crown, one of the highest Japanese decorations. Then came the presentation of the betrothal sword to the Princess. The sword is a simple instrument about one foot long, but made by the best swordmaker in all Japan. On its handle is carved a crysanthemum, the crest of the Imperial house. The presentation of the bales of silk, the wine and fish came later, but that did not terminate the ceremony. As an additional part of the betrothal service Tokyo representatives of the royal house visited the great shrine of Ise, the Sun goddess and mythical ancestor of all Japan; the grave of Jimmu Tatsu, the first emperor, and the Monoyama mausoleum, where the men of old Japan lie buried. To the spirits of these departed giants it was announced that the future ruler of the kingdom has chosen the girl who some day would be the first lady of the land.

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### Canadian Violinist.

Meets Ancient Ruler of Japan.

TOKYO (Canadian Press)—Kathleen Parlow, the Canadian Violinist, has returned to Japan from Java, where she had the distinction of being presented to the Soehurno, the ancient ruler of the island. The Soehurno, who held undisputed sway over the whole of Java before the Dutch came, is still an absolute monarch, but he rules over a small walled domain set aside by Holland, called Solo. There he entertains visitors and receives their presents. When Miss Parlow was introduced to the old chief, he was surrounded by his forty-four wives and fifty-eight children. "He is a fat old man with watery eyes and he loves decorations," said Miss Parlow. "As a result he is loaded with every sort of medal, and when he is in formal attire he is literally covered with decorations." He wore an old frock coat and seemed especially proud of his green stockings. When he spoke his voice could be easily heard above the orchestra that played incessantly and the combined voices of the others. Miss Parlow will make a concert tour through China in November and will spend the winter in Europe, returning to Canada and the United States the following season. In order to protect her violin from the heat, damp climate of the Far Eastern tropics, Miss Parlow had it assembled with a Russian glue that is impervious to the weakening effect of heat and humidity.

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### New Religion Gaining Adherents.

TOKYO.—Despite the attempts at repression by the municipal authorities, the new Japanese religion, known as Omotokyo, is rapidly gaining adherents, especially among the wealthier classes, and even the noble families. M. Tokogami, brother of the former Minister of Home Affairs, who ordered a raid on the cult's headquarters here last year, is one of the latest converts and he has built a temple in its name and started publication of a religious newspaper supporting the new doctrine.

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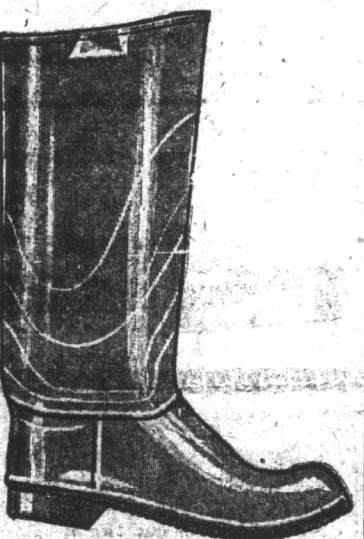
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one very plain old maid. She remained, and as the conversation began to get a little masculine, our legal friend was anxious to get rid of the "ancient," and for this purpose rather prematurely asked the privilege of giving a toast. This being granted, he rose and gave the old toast of "Honour to men and bonny ladies." The toast was drunk with all decorum, and then the spinster, who was sitting next to the lawyer, rose from her seat, gave

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