

given time, and a step has been taken in placing the prescription of exercise upon a scientific basis.—*From Exercise as a Remedy*, by Dr. HENRY LING TAYLOR, in *Appletons' Popular Science Monthly* for March.

VEGETABLE DIET IN RELATION TO THE LENGTH OF THE HUMAN INTESTINE.

The intestine of animal vegetable feeders is known to be of great length, but, so far, no detailed investigations have been made in this regard respecting those human races which mainly live on vegetable products. However, it is interesting to note that a professor of anatomy in the Academy of Medicine in Tokio has made some attempt in this direction by inquiring into the length of the intestine in Japanese persons. The inquiries included the measurement of the body and of the intestine in twenty-five cadavers, the ages of which varied from 17 to 60. The result of the measurement went to show that the length of the intestine in the Japanese was half as long again as the average length in a European. Thus, the suggestion has been made that the rice diet, so universally resorted to by the Japanese, would have more chance of thorough digestion in them than in Europeans, whose intestine is shorter. We merely state these facts for what they are worth. Whether or not they are true is another matter.—*Medical Press and Circular* (2967).

The *Medical Press and Circular* states that Dennis's System of Surgery by American Authors, published by Lea Brothers & Company; Nancrede's Essentials of Anatomy, published by W. B. Saunders & Company; and Leonard's Vest Pocket Anatomist, published by the author in Detroit, have been refused admission to England because of wholesale plagiarism from English writers. Until particulars are given and the defense is heard, it will be best to regard the matter as a mistake, so far as Dennis's System is concerned. It is very difficult to believe that any of the eminent collaborators of Dr. Dennis are guilty of such a heinous offence.—*Cleveland Journal of Medicine*.

It was a colored preacher who said to his flock: "We have a collection to make this morning, and, for the glory of heaben, whichever of you stole Mr. Jones' turkeys, don't put anything in the plate." One who was there says: "Every blessed niggah in de church came down wid de rocks."—*The Living Church*.