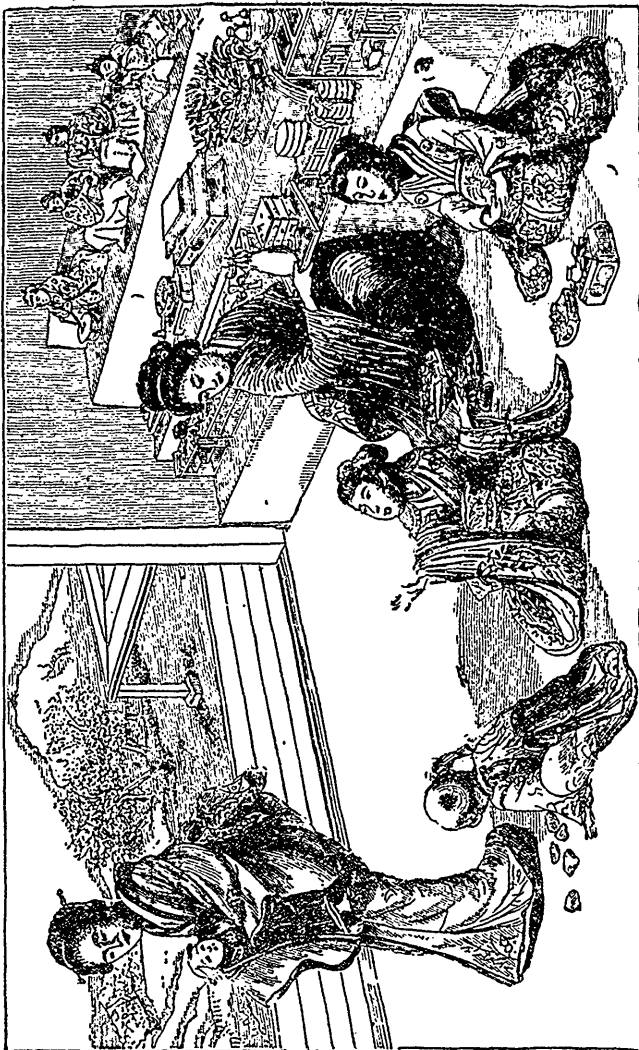


To Canadian Sunday-school children the Empire of Japan should have a special interest, because four ministers of our Church have gone to that country as missionaries, with their families. God has greatly blessed their labours. A large number have been converted from heathenism, and five of these native converts are now ministers on probation in connection with our Church. The Rev. Mr. Cochran sent us some time ago a copy of part of the Holy Scriptures which the ministers are translating into Japanese. We suppose it was all right; but we could not tell the beginning from the end, nor the top from the bottom of the page.

At the Centennial Exhibition we happened to ask a Japanese gentleman, in charge of the wonderful exhibits of that country, if he knew the Rev. Mr. Cochran. "Knew him," he exclaimed, and his dusky face lighted up, "I knew him very well. Why, he baptized me." And we had a very interesting conversation. Poor fellow, Mrs. Cochran tells us that he has died since. What a blessing that he was converted to God before his death! Yet there are over 30,000,000 of his fellow countrymen without the knowledge of the true God. Should we not do all we can to send them the gospel.

We shall try to obtain from Mrs. Cochran, who is now in Canada, copies of some of the kind letters written by Japanese converts, that our young readers may see how grateful they are to the Missionaries for the Word of Life.

Dr. Macdonald, who is now on a visit from Japan to Canada, and whom many of our readers have heard at the missionary meetings, has a large number of Japanese curiosities of great interest. So has Mrs. Cochran—among others, a native dress, and when her little daughter puts it on, she looks just like the figures in the picture.



FEAST OF DOLLS.

#### THE ONLY PASSPORT.

THE blood of Jesus Christ is the only passport. Have you an interest in it? Do not be like the foolish virgins, who let their lamps go out, and then when they came and knocked, saying, "Lord, Lord, open unto us," the Master answered, "I know you not," and the door was shut. Oh, think what it would be to have the door of heaven shut against you, while within are your father, mother, sisters, and brothers! You cannot bear a long separation from them here. What would it be to be shut out from them for all eternity?