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Out of Town Customers

Peculiar Japanese

Marriage Customs.

With the Newfoundland girl mar-

Heges to choose her husband. With the Japanese maiden this is

not the custom. When she arrives at the age of twenty or thereabouts she is expected, as a matter of course to marry. The alternative of perpetual

Marriage is as much a matter of course in a woman's life as death,

allowed her choice in regard to whe-

ther she will or will not marry a cer-

tain man, but the initiative is gener-

ally taken by the parents. In brief,

the Japanese courtship and wedding

are somewhat after the following

A young man, who finds himself in

a position to marry, speaks to some married friend and asks him to be on

the lookout for a suitable maiden.

The friend immediately gets busy and

makes a canvas of all the young

maidens of his acquaintance, and finally decides that so-an-so-Miss Hana, let us say-will be a very good

match for his friend. He then goes

to Miss Hana's parents and lays the

Should they approve of the suitor a party is arranged-generally in a

tea house in a park, or in a theatre,

where the young people may have a chance to meet each other and ex-

change salutations. If the meeting

is satisfactory to all parties, the par-

ents of the young people undertake to ascertain that nothing wrong ex-

ists concerning such vital matters asthe heredity of the family and the

character of the young man and wo-

The Marriage Arranged.

the exchange of costly presents, and

the marriage is arranged. A lucky

day is selected for the wedding, and

all arrangements between the con-

tracting parties are made by the go-

between and his wife who first ar-

ranged the happy event and there-

fore hold themselves responsible for

The go-between is a voluntary affair seldom paid for, but because of

the happy nature of the office there is

always no lack of respectable people

The marriage ceremony takes place at the house of the groom, to which the bride is taken, accompanied by

her go-between and her relatives.

Her trousseau, and the household

goods which the bride brings with her

are borne by men, who follow the

carriage of the bride, forming a pro-

cession, getting cheers from obser-

vers, as it passes through the streets.

The ceremony consists merely in

the formal drinking of the native wine

(sake) from a cup which is placed al-

ternatively to the lips of the bride

This drinking from the same gob-

let is a symbol of the equal sharing

of the joys and sorrows of married

but the bride and groom, their gobetween, and a young girl whose duty

it is to pass the goblet and fill it with

sake. When this is over, the wedding

guests, who have been assembled in

another room during the ceremony

join the wedding party and a grand

feast is spread, at which much mer-

Extremely Costly Affair.

the newly married couple is expected

to make a visit to the bride's family,

which is the occasion for another

great feast. The young couple bring

with them presents from the groom's

family to the bride's family in return

for the presents sent on the wedding

All this makes the Japanese wed-

ding an extremely costly affair, the

expenses often exceeding tens, of

thousands of dollars among the well-

Within the past few years, for many reasons, the marirage customs have

been changed considerably. Greater

regard is now shown than formerly to the wishes of the young people in

deciding their partners, and the novel practice of allowing the young people a short period of association before

The formality of the wedding cere-

mony, too, has lost much of its former

elaborateness, more stress nowadays

being laid on the spirit and signifi-

the betrothal has come in vogue.

On the third day after the wedding

riment ensues.

the success of the marriage.

glad to act in that capacity.

Should all turn out satisfactory a formal betrothal is entered into by

case of his friend before them.

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to all those who seek lower prices.

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