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THE MIKADO.

Personality of Emperor of Japan—Representative of the Oldest Dynasty Existing in the Direct Line of Chimu.

Comparatively few foreigners have seen the Mikado of Japan closely. In spite of its wonderful advance in occidental ideas in recent years, Japan retains enough of its oriental character to insist upon a certain seclusion for its ruler.

Mutsuhito-tenno, Emperor of Japan, is the present representative of the oldest royal dynasty extant. He is the 121st Emperor of his dynasty, which dates back in an unbroken line 2,555 years. He is the descendant of Chimu, the "Divine Conqueror," who, according to Japanese mythology, "descended from heaven on the white bird of the clouds." Chimu's first task in his mythical role of divine conqueror, was the subjugation of the Ainus, a savage, warlike race, whose descendants are still found in the northern extremity of Japan. Having subdued these fierce Ainus, Chimu proclaimed himself to be "Ten-shi," the "Son of Heaven," and established the still existing dynasty.

The Mikado takes more interest in the Government than any of his predecessors. He reads the papers and attends Cabinet councils. He takes all the important magazines and reviews of Europe and America. He has astonished the upper classes of Japanese by his knowledge of the art of Government.

The Mikado lives in a palace built in the American way, with steel frame-work made in Pittsburgh, Penn. This was done to avoid accidents by earthquakes, so common in Japan.

Haruko, Empress of Japan, was a daughter of a Japanese noble. She is fifty-four years old, ten years older than her husband. Her name, Haruko, means "springtime." In the Mikado's reign the bands of feudalism that bound Japan to the Middle Ages were broken; a constitution was granted by him voluntarily to the people. It was only the limitations gave way to a more liberal order of equality; modern education, literature, arts, science and industry were welcomed; the army and the navy were changed from the bow and arrow stage to modern organization. It was only the remarkable advancement in the reign of Mutsuhito that made it possible for oriental Japan to be equal to the task of a great war with Russia.

Sir William C. Van Horne, the president of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, made recently a tour of inspection over the Pennsylvania line from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh.

Sir William was much pleased with the service and cuisine of his dining car. He inspected the kitchen and showed great interest in the skilled manoeuvres of the chef. The cook, who was something of a wag, described to his distinguished visitor the kitchens of the great New York hotels, where the walls are of glass, the floors of vitrified brick, the tables of white marble and the cooking utensils of the German silver.

"A great hotel chef," he said, "has from fifty to seventy-five assistants under him. I know one of these chefs, and I visited him two weeks ago. His assistant cooks were all young women. I never saw any of young women I ever saw."

"Why, Gaston," I said to my friend, "what pretty girls you employ!"

"Indeed, they are pretty," said he. "Plain cooks won't do here."

Real Maple Sugar Is Rare.
Maple sugar making as an industry is on the wane. It has been supplanted in the home by the granulated sugar of beet and cane. As a regular department of farm labor it is dying out also. Formerly it was made primarily for home use, the surplus being sold or traded at the village store. Now it is commerce first and home use second. The work of making sugar is still interesting, but more arduous. The sugar maker without using strictly modern methods, which involve considerable outlay for new appliances.

It is probable that there will always be a limited market, but it must be handled as a specialized business because cheaper substitutes are staples. Therefore in some respects the maple product is a luxury and will probably always remain so. Small fancy cakes, attractively bottled syrup (reasonably thick), will always be appreciated and paid for by a class of customers who recognize a pure flavor and a healthy product.—Country Life in America.

Mighty Study Law.
A sharp and amusing repartee occurred yesterday in the Court Room at Sandwich, says The Windsor Standard. Dr. Samson was giving evidence in the damages for injuries suit of Sorenson & Smith and the King's counsel, A. B. Aylesworth, asked what percentage of handicap, so to speak, plaintiff's triple fractured limb would put on his chances of earning a livelihood. The doctor answered 75 per cent. Well, said the K.C., suppose the other leg goes off, how much? 100 per cent. Oh! Well, suppose both arms and both legs? The same, answered the M.D. Well, queried Aylesworth, could he do nothing if both hands and both legs were off? The doctor, without a pause, replied: "I know of nothing unless he might study law." Justice Tenzel smiled before he remembered that he was His Lordship, and the court constable shouted: "Silence!"

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Do you catch cold easily? Does the cold hang on? Try Shiloh's Consumption Cure The Lung Tonic

It cures the most stubborn kind of coughs and colds. If it doesn't cure you, your money will be refunded.

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Mrs. De Style—I've got ahead of Mrs. De Fashion for the first time. Husband—How? Mrs. De Style—At Mrs. De Fashion's last party two of the guests fainting, but at my grand reception last night the crush was so great that six of the ladies had to be carried out, and one had to have a doctor.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Good Scheme.

Hicks—You keep duplicates of all your old love letters? What an ideal Wicks—Yes; when I have done something particularly foolish I just read over one of those letters. It is quite encouraging to know that I'm not nearly so much of a fool as I used to be.

BRONCHITIC ASTHMA A HEAVY BURDEN.

Asthma is bad enough, but when bronchial symptoms are added the poor sufferer has almost an intolerable existence. An absolute specific is found in fragrant, healing Catarrh-ozone, which cures chronic cases that have resisted all other remedies.

"For years," writes Capt. McDonald, of Montreal, "I battled with the agonies of bronchitic asthma. Often I couldn't sleep for nights at a time. I spent thousands on doctors and medicines without relief, but one bottle's worth of Catarrh-ozone cured me." Catarrh-ozone can't fail; it's guaranteed. Two months' treatment \$1.00; trial 25c.

Sleep For Insomnia.

Patient—Can you give me something for insomnia? Physician—I can recommend something, which amounts to the same thing. Patient—For heaven's sake, let me at once. Physician—There is, in fact, only one sovereign remedy for sleeplessness, and that is sleep. Three dollars, please.

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The night school every Tuesday and Friday evening is well attended. There were many visitors at the new pump house on Sunday to see the pump work.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

TILBURY

Mar 24.—A. A. Wilson, was a Chatham visitor yesterday. Miss Agnes Dusty has returned from a visit with her sister in Windsor.

Andrew Keith, of Walkerville, was in town yesterday. Miss Osborne, who has been the guest of Miss Annie Bowles, returned to her home in Cottam last evening.

At a meeting of the Presbyterian church here on Tuesday night, at which Rev. Mr. McQuarrie, of Valetta presided, the members of the congregation extended a unanimous call to Rev. P. E. Nicol, of Toronto.

Rev. J. B. Kennedy and wife, of Cedar Springs, are visiting friends here. Mr. Layman, Windsor, has been engaged to succeed Mr. Lees in the grocery department in the Bg Store.

BLENHEIM

March 24.—Wm. Ferris has started his basket factory. He moved his family here from Ridgetown on Monday.

Miss Sara Mountford, who has been spending the winter at Owaseo, Mich., returned home on Monday evening.

The military openings of Mrs. John Ward and Mrs. J. H. Ferguson take place on Wednesday and Thursday, March 30th and 31st. On the same days T. B. Shillington and Co., will hold their dry goods etc., opening. The public are heartily welcome whether they wish to buy or not.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Walker have moved here from Rodney. Remember the lacrosse meeting for tomorrow, Friday, evening at 8. The weekly shoot of the Blenheim Gun Club took place on Tuesday afternoon, a small number being present. The scores were as follows—Lang 18, J. Seane 17, McRitchie 15, W. E. Hall 15, Theo. Pickering 14, Wetherald 13, O'Brien 12, M. Samson 12, Vester 11, B. Handy 8.

WALLACEBURG

Mar. 24.—A. D. Brander was a visitor in the Maple City yesterday. Miss Ruby Gordon entertained a few of her friends at her home last evening. The night was pleasantly passed in dancing.

Mr. J. W. Bongough, the famous cartoonist and entertainer will lecture in the new Baptist church tomorrow evening. The tickets are rapidly selling.

Mrs. W. D. McRae will entertain the choir of Knox church this evening. The girls of the town are preparing for a leap year ball to be given shortly after Easter.

Ernestas St. Amour, will leave this week for Grace Hospital, Detroit to take a course for professional nursing.

Died—In Wallaceburg, on Wednesday, March 23rd, '04, Alexander McLean, aged 53 years and 1 month. The funeral will take place from his late residence, Emily street, St. George's Ward, to-morrow, Mr. McLean was a much esteemed resident of Wallaceburg. He has been suffering for a number of months from consumption.

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EDITOR GIVES THE REASON WHY

He is shouting the Praises of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets—They Cured His Dyspepsia when Everything Else Had Failed.

"Do you know Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets? I the undersigned know them as the best thing for Dyspepsia. Every person suffering from this malady, ought to use them, and I am sure he would be satisfied."

"ALPHONSE CARON." The above clipping is from The Echo, published at Montmagny, Que. It is the free-will tribute of Editor Caron to the remedy that rescued him from the miseries of Dyspepsia. Asked as to why he voluntarily published this statement, Editor Caron said:

"I suffered for many years from Dyspepsia. I spent a great deal of money on different medicines, but without any success. An advertisement led me to try Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, and the change they made in me was wonderful. I am completely cured."

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are an insurance policy against discomfort. One or two of them taken after eating is a safeguard against indigestion.

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AGENTS WANTED—\$2.50 day. Address Cooper, London, Ont.

WANTED—At once, at the Mineral Bath House, a male attendant. Apply at the office.

WANTED—A steady man for general work in my stable, garden and house. Good wages by the year. March 8, 1904. Chas. R. Atkinson.

WANTED—Men wanted to learn barber trade; only eight weeks required by our system of constant practice; tools furnished; diplomas given. Full tuition \$25. Call or write. Detroit Barber College, 48 Woodward avenue, Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

HOUSE FOR SALE—On Grant street, For particulars, apply to Thomas Scullard, or at this office.

FOR SALE—The thoroughbred Welsh Pony, "May," six years old, and outfit. Apply C. J. Cumming, Kent Bridge.

HOUSES FOR SALE—A house on Grant St., and house and lot on Victoria Ave. For particulars, apply to Thomas Scullard, Victoria Block, or at this office.

HOUSE AND THREE LOTS FOR SALE—On Poplar and Baidon St. being composed of lots No. 2, Sub. 24. The house has a brick foundation, good cellar and is within a short distance of Head street; will be sold cheap and on easy terms of payment. Apply to Chas. Terry, Head street, or address Chatham, P. O.

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Head Office—78 Dundas St., London.

Have opened up offices in the Ripin Block, 115 King St., and are prepared to do a general real estate business, buying, selling or exchanging farm, city, town and village property.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange your property call on J. E. Burgess, or write the head office, 78 Dundas St., London, stating just what you want and the locality you prefer, and we can suit you, as we have over a thousand properties to choose from in different parts of Western Ontario. We have at present several small and large farms for exchange for city property. We also have the following for sale and exchange.

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Frame house on Selkirk St. in good repair, city water, and renting for \$15.00 per month. Will exchange for 50 acres in good locality.

Good general store, with all new stock, in country village, doing good business. Will exchange for 50 acres near Chatham.

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Fifty acres close to Chatham, all improved, good buildings, price \$3,100.00.

For sale or exchange, 35 acres adjoining the town of Dresden, frame house and out buildings in good repair; price \$2,500.00.

We have just made sale of 40 acres, being parts of lots 6 and 7, Con. 1, Tp. of Zone, to Weymouth Penwarden, of Township of Zone.

Also 50 acres, lot 23, Con. 11, Tp. Dawn, to John Robinson.

Sold Robinson property in town of Dresden, to S. B. Townsend.

Write or call and get a complete list of properties for sale or exchange. JOHN H. BURCHES, 115 King St., Chatham

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Such as ours, must be worn to be fully appreciated. We have so much confidence that our glasses are a trifle better than you can buy any place else that we offer free tests, or give you back your money if dissatisfied.

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Mr. W. E. Ripin has that very desirable property on Victoria avenue, now occupied by Mrs. W. L. Campbell, for sale at a bargain. This is a good opportunity for any person desiring a fine residence and a fine location. Who will have it? Apply at once.

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I cured a horse of the mange with MINARD'S LINIMENT. CHRISTOPHER SAUNDERS, (Dalhousie).

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