

## NATIONAL MORALITY DECAYING IN JAPAN

Remarkable Charges Brought  
in the Diet Against a  
Cabinet Minister.

Other Ministers Notorious for Leading  
Lives in Violation of the  
Social Code.

TOKIO, May 7.—An interpellation was introduced to the Japanese Diet on Thursday, in which the conduct of the minister of the imperial household, Count Tanaka, was severely condemned, the minister's office being his proposed marriage with a bookkeeper's daughter fifty years his junior.

The interpellation argued that such a marriage was a breach of the law and would be subversive of the Japanese family system. Should it take place, the count's adopted son, forty years of age, would be compelled by the Japanese law to pay filial duty to a woman many years his junior.

This session of the Diet has been somewhat remarkable for the questions of personal and communal morality that have come before it. The attack on Count Tanaka is being led by Mr. Hattori, one of the nine Christian members of the Diet.

PUBLIC ANGER ROUSED.  
Count Tanaka roused public resentment only recently in connection with the projected marriage of Count Togo, one of the old Daimyo families, to an imperial princess. In his capacity of minister of the imperial household, Count Tanaka's duty was that of the customary "middle-man" in arranging marriages with members of the imperial family, but he concealed from the court his knowledge of Count Togo's secret marriage with an English woman in London. Count Togo extricated himself from this union with ease, but the fact of such a marriage rendered a union with an imperial princess impossible, and the secret being exposed in the press, Count Tanaka, as well as Count Togo, was involved in disgrace.

The imperial clemency was, however, extended to the minister, and he was allowed to continue in office, but only a few weeks later he raised an even greater storm by seeking the permission of the emperor to enter into the bonds of matrimony with a bookkeeper's daughter. It was generally known that this woman was an intimate friend of Count Tanaka, but nothing had been said of this if the minister had not indiscreetly desired to elevate her to the dignity of wife and countess.

Count Tanaka, however, is but the scapegoat of a social evil all too common. Other ministers are notorious for practices similar in kind, though different in degree, inasmuch as they are not of the character of scandalous immorality of the nation's susceptibilities. One minister's office consists in proposing marriage to a woman who is already wife in every thing but name, while other ministers are sanctioned generally by custom.

BRIDAL PARTY ON BICYCLES.  
More Than Thirty in Crowd, Including Bride's Parents.

PARIS, May 7.—A sensation was caused in this town hall at New yesterday by the arrival of a bridal party on bicycles and in cycling costumes.

There were more than thirty in the party, and the bride's parents both came on bicycles for the occasion. After the ceremony the bride and bridegroom and their friends bicycled to a restaurant for the wedding breakfast.

Mother Gave Her Child Away.  
Had Given up All Hope of Living. Heart Trouble Was Cured by Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.

Mrs. Andrew Savoy, Gratton's, N.B., writes:—"In the year 1903 I was taken sick and did not think I could live any longer of time. My trouble was with my heart and people told me that nothing could be done for a case like mine. I consulted the very best doctors but they could do me no good. For seven weeks I could hardly cross the floor. I had no pain, but was so weak nobody in the world could believe how I felt. I had given up all hope of living and had given my little girl to my sister-in-law.

## MANY NEW DISHES AT PRIZE COOKING SHOW

International Exhibition Opens in Paris and  
Attracts Many Visitors.

PARIS, May 7.—An international cooking exhibition was opened in the Tuileries Gardens this week. A large crowd enjoyed the pleasing sight of a number of elderly gentlemen, in silk hats and evening dress, wandering amid rows of dishes of all kinds and tasting right and left. These were the judges. They spent a great part of the day in praising or condemning soups, meats, pastries, sweets and savages of every kind.

They surrounded the minister of agriculture, M. Ruan, who opened the exhibition, and pointed out to him the dishes considered to be masterpieces. There was a display of recent cooking recipes, which stood 100 soldier-chefs, who competed for the "military cooking challenge cup" given by the minister with war.

The competition was both practical and oral. The practical part consisted of making before the judges the most savory stews and other dishes at the least cost.

From the epicurean point of view, the exhibition does not offer any startling novelties, and the numerous exhibitors seem to vie with each other in decoration rather than in invention. Among some of the most attractive dishes were a large salmon served with cucumber and shrimp sauce and a "carpe à la Chambord," served with sweetbreads and flavored with sauce made from crayfish and a Godard.

Another dish which obtained a prize was an arrangement of trout à la Bourgeoise, prepared with a sauce of white Burgundy wine, garlic, cloves and onions.

One of the most complicated dishes was a young turkey prepared and stuffed with chicken and served with breads and tomatoes, and served with a sauce made of champagne and Madeira, yolk of eggs and forest, and was called "Dindonnee à la Godard."

## HAD HER GRAVE CLOTHES READY

But Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Mary Malcolm's Bright's Disease

ONE MORE INDISPENSIBLE PROOF THAT THE OLD RELIABLE KIDNEY REMEDY WILL CURE THE MOST DEADLY FORM OF KIDNEY DISEASE.

TORONTO, May 7 (Special).—Mrs. M. Malcolm, who lives at 183 Clinton street, this city, states that it has been proved to her and to her family that Dodd's Kidney Pills not only cure Bright's Disease, but cure it completely and clear it right out of the system.

Mrs. Malcolm's daughter, Mary, was taken ill with this terrible kidney ailment. A doctor attended her continually for nearly a year when he had to admit he could do nothing more for her. She was so far gone that the last rites of the church were administered and the dying girl's grave clothes were prepared.

At a last resort, Dodd's Kidney Pills were tried, and to the surprise and delight of the family the girl improved almost from the first dose. In a week's time they were able to take her out for a little while, and she kept on improving until she was completely cured.

That was seven years ago. Today Mrs. Malcolm is a good-looking young lady, strong and healthy in every way. Speaking of her cure, she says: "I am sure I owe my recovery entirely to Dodd's Kidney Pills, and if I am ever ill again I am sure I shall take no other medicine."

## KILLED BY A SHARK.

Sponge Diver Meets Terrible Death While at Work.

PARIS, May 7.—A telegram from Tunis relates a dramatic adventure at sea, twelve miles off Cape Mediane, near Sfax, in which a diver was half-devoured by a shark.

Zambettas, a Greek, was diving for sponges, and was coming up to the surface when an enormous shark made a terrific lunge at him, completely severing his right leg.

The shock nearly capsize the boat in which were Zambettas' companions in charge of the air-pump. The shark was beaten off with ease, and the unfortunate man was hauled on board, but died in a few minutes.

## NEW PARIS PLANNED.

City to be Practically Transformed at Cost of \$200,000,000.

PARIS, May 7.—Parisians are faced with the prospect of a general upheaval of the streets, even worse than that from which the city is only just recovering after the construction of the principal "tube" line.

## SPEAK UP, JOHN T. BRUSH!

BY TIP WRIGHT.  
Here, fans and favorites, hesitate a moment and look at this individual. He is John T. Brush. Some say the initial stands for toothbrush, but that isn't true.

John T. Brush is supposed to own the New York National league club, popularly known as the Giants. At any rate, he is the recognized head of the organization.

It was an umpire of the New York Club who offered Umpires Kiera and

The graveyard silence of Brush, in refusing to discuss the scandal, gives rise to the supposition that John T. may have something buried. There may be a very good reason why Brush does not want the truth turned upon the New York club and its pet stinkpot.

But others are concerned just as much as John T. Brush. Every man whose money is invested in these ball games has an interest in this investigation.

Instead of riding herd on Brush so he won't talk, they should insist that he



JOHN T. BRUSH, THE MAN WHO REFUSES TO DISCUSS THE UMPIRE BRIBING SCANDAL.

Johnstone \$2,500 last fall to throw the last game with Chicago to the Giants, and thereby send the pennant to New York.

Dr. Creamer, club physician, has been barred from National and American league grounds by the national commission, being charged with attempting to bribe the arbitrators. But the commission knows Creamer wasn't handing his own money. Messrs. Herrmann, Johnson and Pulliam know it was some one higher up who was represented by the physician. Creamer is the goat.

It has been suggested that a "co-terie of gamblers" would have profited had the umpires accepted the money and delivered the goods. But were gamblers the only ones who would profit if the pennant went to New York? Scarcely.

## SWIMMER COULD NOT DROWN

He Tried to, But His Skill Prevented Suicide, and He Surrendered.

BRUSSELS, May 7.—A terrible tragedy occurred yesterday at Bussinghem, a village near Brussels, when Mme. Smar, an old woman who kept a small shop, was brutally murdered by a peasant named Winderickx.

Mme. Smar had a great fear of burglars, and recently induced her nephew to live with her.

Winderickx, who believed her to be alone, broke into the house and stabbed her to death. While searching for her money he encountered the nephew. A desperate struggle ensued, and Winderickx finally killed the nephew, after stabbing him thirty-five times.

He then jumped into the river with the intention of committing suicide, but, being an expert swimmer, he found it impossible to drown himself, and eventually surrendered to the police.

## FEATS OF ARMLESS MAN.

Is Legless Also, But This Does Not Handicap Him a Bit.

BERLIN, May 7.—Among the "cases" shown at today's sitting of the thirty-eighth congress of German surgeons there was a patient who is under treatment by Dr. Hoffmann, of Koenigsberg. Although both legs and arms were amputated, the man is able by means of supplementary devices to mount stairs without a stick in normal fashion, and to sit down, walk, eat, dress and undress unaided.

The "case" aroused the greatest interest as showing the progress in the replacement of amputated limbs.

## RIDDING SCOTLAND OF ALIENS.

EDINBURGH, May 7.—Acting under instructions from the Home Office, the Scottish county authorities will henceforth order originally disposed Poles or other aliens to be deported on their first appearance at local police courts. These aliens have maintained a constant feud with the Scotch miners and ironworkers.

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## SLAUGHTER HOUSE COMMISSIONERS

The regular monthly meeting of the slaughter house commissioners was held yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Simon, the inspector, submitted the following report showing the killing for the past month:

Cattle, Sheep, Calves.  
John E. McDonald 275 55 18  
Kane & McDonald 223 59 59  
M. J. Collins 10 5 5

Total, 508 119 82.  
M. J. Collins, swine.  
Licenses were granted John E. McDonald and James McDonald, Jr., in the name of M. J. Collins, Fairville; C. H. Bonnell & Co., Millidgeville; Cudlip Miller and C. Fred Black, St. Martins.

## VALUE OF KISS DISCUSSED.

Woman Protests That Hers Are Not Worth \$2.50.

VIENNA, May 7.—An amusing argument as to the value of a kiss was heard in a Vienna district court yesterday.

Babette Polight, a milliner, had accused an electrician named Holzmann of having stolen her watch when dancing with her at a ball. She afterward found the watch at home, and offered Holzmann a public apology, but he refused to accept it unless accompanied by a kiss given in the presence of her friends.

Fraulein Babette declined, on the ground that she was engaged to be married, and Holzmann brought an action for slander. When the judge heard the circumstances he suggested an amicable arrangement by way of a money payment in place of the kiss, and asked Holzmann at what price he valued the kiss.

Holzmann wanted ten shillings, but amid general laughter, the young woman declared that her kisses were not worth nearly so much. Finally the judge persuaded Holzmann to accept five shillings.

## CANING FOR BURGLARS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 7.—A law has been passed by the Turkish Parliament whereby any person convicted of carrying about files, skeleton keys or other burglars' tools and who are unable to give a satisfactory explanation, will be liable to from five to twenty-five strokes with the cane.

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## ENGLISH GIRLS NOW IMITATE AMERICANS

Well-Known Society Woman Resents and  
Deplores the Alleged Fact.

LONDON, May 7.—The influence of the American girl, with her self-sure, free-and-easy manners has at last invaded Great Britain, and English girls are gradually becoming Americanized.

That is the opinion of a well-known society woman who expressed strong views on the subject yesterday.

"The typical English girl of my young days who dressed simply and was modest and refined in her manners is practically extinct nowadays," she said.

"Wherever you go you see girls who resemble almost exactly the horrid Gibson-girl type, so frequently depicted in the American papers, and used in the dir, flounces and ruffles and gaudy stockings indolently exposed."

"In the parks, at the theatres and at the houses of the rich, the English girl is not only more common, and it is not only their dress which is so intolerable, it is their cold, calm manner and indifference to all beautiful and moving things that make them so impossible."

"Girls of today are always wanting to look and dine out and live in a whirlwind of excitement. The simple pleasures of sewing and home decoration are quite beyond them. They are too slow!"

"Their off-and-on intercourse with the other sex is also a matter for reproach. It seems to be fashionable nowadays for girls to have male nicknames."

"These some girls of my acquaintance are called 'Jimmie,' 'Jack,' 'Billy' and 'George' by their men friends. They also drive motor cars, shoot, hunt, go away for weekends and have other masculine pleasures."

"What are the mothers of such girls doing to allow their daughters to get so Americanized? It is a matter which urgently calls for reform."

Some of the attributes of the up-to-date American girl who, as it is claimed above, is influencing the English girl to a large degree, may be given as follows:

"She buys false puffs and her hair is mysteriously waved.  
She wears high jeweled collars and a cigarette case clanks from her waist or wrist.

Her hats are as startling as she can possibly make them. The trimming may sometimes resemble small fish-cake, from which springs a long, attenuated feather.  
She possesses tea-room palor and the airs of a woman of 45, an ice-cream, veteran calm and a self-sufficient gaze.

She cannot blush. Cannot fall in love. Has no romantic ideas and no imagination.  
A well-known lady novelist told the Daily Mirror yesterday that the French girl of good family was the best-natured young woman of the present time.

"English girls would do well to copy the French girl instead of the American girl," she said. "The French daughter dresses simply and charmingly, and she follows the wise counsel of her parents."

## STUBBER DELICACIES

DATE: APR. 13 1909  
Pity the poor news butcher.

## CROWN PRINCE TO BE SUEED.

BERLIN, May 7.—The crown prince and the governor of Westphalia are, according to the Tagblatt, to be made defendants in an action brought by the widows of the 37 miners killed in the Ratbode disaster last October, for the purpose of recovering the immediate distribution of \$50,000 raised on behalf of the survivors.

The crown prince is the honorary patron of a special fund of \$5,000 and the governor of the province is at the head of the national fund. So far only a small proportion has been doled out to the widows and orphans, as it was decided to defer the general distribution until the victims were identified and identified. This work will be begun next week. Fearing riots among the population, the authorities have ordered it to be carried on at night.

MUNICH, May 7.—Count Zeppelin said in an interview here this afternoon that the proposed alps trip from Friedrichshafen to Berlin would be undertaken before long, but as the journey depends on weather conditions he was unable to name the date. The

## A quick bright Shine

POLO Shoe Polish

"Good for leather. Stands the weather."

Polo polish is liquid and paste combined. Dab a little on the shoe with a brush or finger, and it gives it a quick rub, and you have bright, lasting shine. It keeps it soft for the leather—keeps it supple and pliable.

Polo tan polish CLEANS as well as shines. Ladies like it.

## MYTHOLOGY ON TIPTOE IN A NEW BALLET

"Psyche, an Idyll," Has Successful Opening in Famous London Amusement Resort.

LONDON, May 7.—Another beautiful ballet was added last night to the long list of Alhambra successes.

It is entitled "Psyche, an Idyll," and its cordial reception was a double triumph for the managing director of the Alhambra, Alfred Noy, who has composed the music.

"Psyche" is a delightful example of how dainty a ballet may be. There are three scenes, the first being "The Temple of Venus," the second "The Rocks," and the third and fairest "Cupid's Bower."

In the first a bevy of youths and maidens in ancient Greek costume are seen at the pillared shrine of Venus offering doves and flowers to the statue of the goddess.

The beautiful Psyche dances among them, and, stricken by her loveliness, they throw down the statue of Venus and place Psyche in its place.

The rejoicings are cut short by the advent of Venus herself, who rises from the sea, and the flaming goddesse wrathfully condemns the nation to fetters and the rocks at the entrance of the monster's cavern by the sea.

There, lying chained to the rocks, Psyche is found by Cupid, whose mother, Venus, has commanded him to compel Psyche to fall in love with the monster, but the boy-god is himself stricken with Psyche's charms and has her borne to his bower by his attendant winged spirits.

In the last scene Psyche and Cupid are surprised in their love-making by the wrathful Venus, who, in the end, relents, and offers Psyche the cup of immortality, which transforms her into a goddess.

The Alhambra corps de ballet dance as gracefully as they can. One of the prettiest dances is that of Cupid's spirits, armed with golden bows and arrows. The arrows are sharpened on a wheel of flowers, which spins in the front of the stage.

The honors of the evening fell to Miss Britta, who skipped about in the very spirit of the mischievous boy-god, and Miss Leonora, whose dancing is fairly like, yet full of expression and artistic to the finger-tips. Miss Julia Revo, was an important figure as Venus.

## BRITONS NOW MAKE BLASTED NEWSBOY DATE SANDWICHES

LONDON, May 8.—The bally American news butcher that they put on their trains not so very long ago can no longer put it over Johnny Bull. Little by little, they've shorn the mane of his old-time Yankee-born gruffs. He no longer can sell over-price fruit, his newspapers now command the market price and he is prohibited from selling his famous rusks, which when opened to be read by the gullible traveler prove to be not rusks at all.

This is the final blow—they've made him date his sandwiches with the date of the day.

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THE SIDE SHOWS.  
"In regard to the side shows, while last year's popular attractions will be retained, many new attractions will be added to the list.

"There is a marked tendency toward alteration on the part of the promoters in their choice of names for some of the side shows.

"We shall have, for instance, the Wiggle Woggle, the Whirling Waves and the Whirling Waters. I cannot say yet furnish details of them, but they should prove alluring.

"The most important of the new side shows are the scenic aeroplanes, the Mountain Alpine Electric Railway, which will be as large as the Scenic Railway, the Polar Regions, the Messina earthquake and the submarines.

"The aeroplanes will give the actual sensation of flying, the submarines will plunge into the water, aerial animals will be found in the polar scene, and the Messina earthquake will be made realistic by some wonderful mechanical effects."

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Colo., May 7.—The Denver bound train of the Denver Northwestern and Pacific which left Steamboat Springs last Friday morning is still enshrouded with thousands feet of the snow sheds i Corona. If the blockade is not broken today the mail will be taken by auto to Alcott, Colo., and thence to Denver.

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