IN FLOWERY JAPAN.

Letter From a Sumter Boy in the Island Empire of the Pacific.

To the Editor of the Watchman: What more fitting time could I find to write you my promised letter than now whilst riding through this strange country on an express train going at the fast speed of 16 miles an hour. I am on my way from Kobe to Kioto to spend the day making purchases for foreign markets. I have the whole coach to myself. Japanese seldom ride first class, and my assistant, being a Jap, is in the second class car. The cars, being after the English style, are

small and non-communicating. The first thing that strikes one in Japan is the diminutive size of everything-men and women, houses, streets, &c.

Surely Gulliver in his travels through Lillipatia must have meant Japan. The average height of the Japs is just about five feet

One sees very little of the best class of Japs They being government officials, &c, are nearly all in Tokio, the capital The merchants were formerly "coolies" who showed a tendency for trade within the last half century, and some have become very wealthy thereby. They are

shrewd, cunning and unreliable. And right here let me disabuse all my friends who have the same opinregarding Japanese and Chinamen, success as to honesty, integrity, &c You think as I did that the Jap is superior-forget it. A Chinaman's will get sadly left. They are always smiles and bows, and promise anything you ask, but when the time comes to fulfill-well, that's different. Chinamen in Japan, numbering thousands, are all wealthy, dress richly, look smooth and slick, and are generally bankers, money changers or merchants They are the best tailors in the east, taking a few wears, or rather the lack of it. The boards, using charcoal. of tights like bathing trunks. Un- tation luxuriant, &c. der clothing is unknown The better class wear the kimono which it is loose wrap with large sleeve like opening for the hands to come through. It is very long and is only kept together by a sash When they

and joining there the same except the blocks are about picely." 3 to 31 inches high It is wonderful to see them walk with these awkward looking things without falling, because the blocks are close together and in the center of the foot. They shuffle along with them, some times

even running The above costume applies to both sexes in every respect, except that of the coolie, in place of which the women of that class wear a cheap cotton kimono coming below the

These coolies. who comprise the greater part of the population, are not to be compared with the negroes, although they work harder and for expected that the Madrid officials less money Fifty cents a day is all they get for working like beasts, harnessed to carts pulling loads of merchandise or gravel And one Spanish prisoners held by the insur-

and with less noise about it. and curious, and, like themselves, they also as to Lieut. Gillmore and the are very small The average house consists of two or four rooms I this reason that the Sanish authorities spent a night in a four room Japanese house for the novelty, and this one I will attempt to describe for oners you It was on the mountains in Kobe and facing the sea, and therefore beautifully situated I had to stoop very low to get in the door and before going in the room, the servant removed my shoes in the through his manager and backer, P. hands. He will need 500 men, skilled passage. No one wears shoes in the P. Dwyer of Brooklyn, deposited and unskilled laborers, bridge and houses. The floors being covered \$2,500 with George Considine of dredge and plow and track hands. with heavy padded mats, the top of this city, to bind a match with Jim | B ginning Saturday, all who desire which is matting. These mats join Jeffries, the heavy weight champion to secure work of this kind can see Mr. together and serve the purpose of flooring, carpeting, furniture, bed, &c The rooms are about 9 feet by 7 feet, and the ceiling about six and a

in the summer are all moved to the side to give the air a full chance to circulate and blow straight through slide out the same way.

when sitting on the floor. pillow.

The Japanese style of beauty is haven's been able to like the other as

marriage. If it was originated to bind themselves forthwith. prevent one man falling in love with ion as I had before leaving home, another's wife, it should have been a YANKEE SPIRIT OF GRAB

The babies are carried strapped on their backs, somewhat like the American Indian. As soon as a child can word is good, and sometimes better walk a doll is tied to its back to teach than a European or American's But it to carry the load, it must bear when he who puts faith in a Jap's promise a brother or sister arrives I have seen a child as young as 5 or 6 years to be recommended is the "Little old carrying a year old baby tied to its lady in Threadneedle street," as the back. When you see a crowd of children playing in the street nine out of ten has a baby on its back.

Being on the reverse eide of the world of civilization may be given as the excuse for the Japs do everything upside down. They saw towards them, England capitalist was making the plane towards them or lay the plane rounds with his little daughter, a measures with a string or strip of down and move the board toward them paper or a tape line, if it is handy, Their spade is like our hoe. Instead The treasurer, who had reason to be and bringing you a suit that fits of putting the water on the fire for a fairly well The next thing that bath, they make a fire in the bath tub handed the young lady a \$50,000 strikes you is the clothing the Jap in a piece of stove pipe surrounded by note to hold for a moment. She

lower class or coolies, as they are Remember I have given you the much," and opened her tiny purse called, have only within the last five things as they are now. I am not preparatory to depositing it snugly years been wearing any at all. Now beautifying to make it read like a book, therein She had partly folded it the law compels them to cover them- which is the case with most books I when the genial treasurer started and selves. Their costume at this time have read on Japan. The natural said: of the year consists of a kind of scenery is undoubtedly beautiful. shirt, open half way down and a pair Green trees, beautiful mountains, vege- keep "

one has any oder. Even imported more difficult to describe. The seeds and plants loose their fragrant nearest I can describe it is a very odors when planted in Japanese soil.

Yours truly, IRVING A. RYTTENBERG.

Congressman Lester, of Savannah, walk the limbs show of course, and in an interview in the Morning News, one soon gets accustomed to seeing is quoted as saying : "Spain undoubtbare legs all the time wherever you ediy sold us a gold brick," he said. go They wear a sock of white .. We paid \$20,000,000 for the cotton with a toe in it which enables privilege of licking the Filipinos, and them to clasp the strap of their now we have taken the job we find that sandal between the large toe and the it is not so much to our liking as we ed imminent. For three months she coughed next The sandal is made of straw, thought it would be. The Filipinos incessantly, and could not sleep She finally perfectly flat, with a straw strap are spoken of as 'rebels' now. That coming from each side to the front is the greatest joke of the age, but a very ghastly one. The poor devils are The shoe is made the same way being killed off like flies, but it is except it is of wood and has two like killing flies, for every one you thin blocks under it. about two kill a dozen will come to take his place inches high, half inch thick and the | Of course our mission is to civilize and | width of the foot. The rain shoe is Christianize them and we are doing it

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O, after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly oporation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Selve, the surest Pi'e cure on earth, and the best Salve in the world. 25 cents a box Sold by J. F. W. DeLorme, Druggist.

Washington, June 14 -As a result of the understanding recently arrived at between the Spanish minister, Duke D'Arcos, and the authorities, it is will at an early day select a commis sioner to reopen negotiations with Aguinaldo for the release of the negro can do as much as three Japs gents. The efforts of the United States authorities have been futile, not The houses of the Japs are quaint only as to releasing the Spaniards, but other American prisoners. It is for will be given all scessary facilities for securing the recase of their pris-

New York, June 15 -Mike Morrissey, the newly arrived Irish heavy. Augusta now securing men and weight pugilist, who is to meet Peter | materials for the work He has just Maher before the Lenox Athletic club closed a contract for a big lot of mules Feb 28 next Tuesday night, yesterday and will soon begin the employment of

Richard P. Bland Dead.

half high. The rooms are upstairs Lebason, Mo., June 15.—Richard T. B. Rice, Druggist, Greensboro, and are reached by what really is a P. B and died at four o'clock this Ga., writes as follows: "In the past eight

The Peace Delegates.

The Hague, June 14.—It is now when there is a breeze. Upstairs expected that the peace conference will the front and back of the house also not account before the middle of July, and it is thought the labor of the Furniture-well there is none-a delegates will not be finished before email cabinet in the corner, a miniature | that time, and there is the additional bureau about two feet high, and a question of the acceptance by the equare box in the center about powers of the decisions adopted by the one foot high, one foot wide conference. The delegates who desire two feet long, -containing to see some tangible result accomplishhot ashes and coals from which to light | ed by the conference recognize that if ajoigar, oigarette or pipe A recess in the members are contented with simply the wall has a low platform on which transmitting the decisions of their there are some ornaments. Small respective governments, the work of square cushions are given you to use the delegates will simply be pigeonholed in the various chancelleries of The bedroom is upstairs, and is Europe and will not be executed. practically the same as the lower floor | Therefore the delegates have resolved The bed consists of a heavy comfort to adjourn their sitting as soon as their about 3 inches thick on the floor and a work is completed and to submit the thinner one for a cover. The women result to their respective governments, use a wooden block ourved at the top to with the request that the delegates be fit the neek so the head does not touch empowered to sign a definite anything. This is done in order that document. It is expected the governthe hair may not be disturbed. A girl ments will keep trace of the progress of has her hair dressed by a barber and it the work and that they will require must last a week. Being a foreigner I about 10 days for deliberation on their was provided with a cushion for a final decision, which will bring the final adjournment in the middle of July.

The refusal of Great Britain to quite different from our own, one must accept the stipulations of the Brussels acquire the taste for it, I suppose, the conference if they are made definite same as for olives. I like olives, but will not prevent the other powers from pledging themselves to action in the matter. There is no doubt that the As quaint and picturespue, however, Brussel conference sub committee will as the girls are, just so hideous are the reach a practical result, but it is possible married women. They still cling to some of the powers, while reserving their barbarous custom (not so much as the right to apply the new stipulations formerly) of blacking their teeth after when necessary, may not consent to

About the first thing a well-to do American family does on landing on London soil is to hunt up the American consulate and inquire the points of the town, says the Cincinnati En quirer. One of the things most sure greatest bank in the world is jocularly called. Ladies like to visit the vaults of the Bank of England They love to see tons of shingling and the bales of "crisp' uns."

The other day a certain New typical Yankee girl of sweet 16. particularly polite to the American, demurely said: "Thank you ever so

"I really didn't give it to you to

Miss Innocence opened wide her Though many flowers are raised, not beautiful eyes, and as she returned it, quietly remarked:

"I beg your pardon-I misunderstood you; I thought it was a souve

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that, too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemdiscovered a w .y to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz. Thus writes Mrs. W. C. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at J. F. W. DeLorme's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1. Every bottle

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Springfild, Mo., June 15 - Carroll M. Rice, wife murderer, was hanged at Alton today. Just before the black cap was adjusted and while his legs were being pintoned, the condemned man troke away from the sheriff and attempted to escape. He was capturand quickly hanged.

Before dying he addressed the 5,000 people present, saying that he hoped to meet them in the better world

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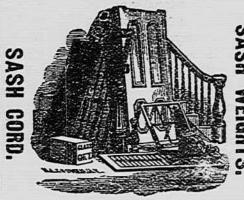
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