

EDUCATION IN JAPAN

Children Are Given Good General Training, With Some Specializing

The annual report of the minister of state for education in Japan is in many respects an inspiration and an example to all who are engaged in educational work. It is not a mere record of good work done, although in this respect it is remarkable when we remember the short time that Japan has been in contact with western civilization; it is full of suggestive ideas, and those in supreme command insist on the necessity for all the work being of an educational nature, which would develop the powers of the students. On the one hand, special means are taken for the nurture of efficient teachers, so that the teaching staff of every school should be made complete and perfect, while, on the other, honor and encouragement are given to all persons of merit who are connected with education. At the same time profound attention is paid to the moral education of pupils and students. While a good general education is given as a foundation, special attention is paid to every department of technical education.

INSECTICIDE SIFTER

Scatters Dry Preparation and Lessens the Labor

For the destruction of insect pests that affect low-growing vines or bushes a New York man has patented the sifting apparatus shown in the illustration. It is designed for the use of insecticide in powder form and applies arsenate of lead, lime, slugshot, paris green compounds and similar preparations with equal facility. A cylindrical can with a perforated lower portion contains the powder and by a



NO WATER TO INCREASE WEIGHT

regulating device the amount of poison scattered can be governed. The old-fashioned way of spraying vines was to make a liquid solution and to cover an acre of ground required a great deal of unnecessary labor, owing to the weight of the water in the mixture and the fact that only a comparatively small area could be sprayed with one load. It is claimed that this sifter will spray an acre an hour.

FRANKNESS

Frankness is the art of saying things you honestly think exactly as you think them. To be frank is to be naturally straightforward. Look the other fellow in the eye. In the same manner as a straight line is the shortest distance between two points, so is frankness the only direct course between all people. Because nothing is wasted. The frank man is the man best to be trusted. Look the other fellow in the eye.

Profits in Cherries

Cherries, according to J. T. Bealy, owner of a commercial orchard on Kootenay Lake, are coming to be the most profitable fruit in the fruit growing industry, although involving possibly the most labor. Mr. Bealy's cherry orchards show a gross production of from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per acre. He states that one tree on his ranch has given an average of \$70 worth of fruit every year for several years, and that \$25 is a fair average for the entire acreage. After the first four years merely ordinary care is required, with a little spraying and trimming. Apples, he says, give an average return of \$250 per acre gross. Mr. Bealy purchased his ranch of 25 acres about six years ago, and has made a marked success from the start.

CHANGE IN TIME

It has been decided that on Sunday next, May 4th, until further notice, The Salvation Army services on Sunday evening will commence at 7.30 p. m., instead of 8 p. m. Open-air service at 7 p. m.

BORN

JUNKIN.—In the township of Verulam, on Thursday, April 3rd, 1913, the wife of Mr. Wm. J. Junkin, a daughter.

BROWN.—At Glenarm, on Friday, April 25th, 1913, the wife of Mr. John Brown, a daughter.

FARMS IN ENGLAND

Few of the Very Large Holdings Have Shown a Profit

Among the farms in England ranging from 2,000 to 10,000 acres less than 5 per cent. have shown an annual profit in the last ten years. One writer in The Daily Mail goes into details in regard to a Midland farm of 2,109 acres, valued at \$95,000 under the Finance Act, but which ten years ago could have been sold for three times that amount. The receipts from this farm amounted in 1912 to \$6,500, and the expenditure to \$110, plus that amount.

Owing to the general fall in the value of land the landlord has lost a large capital sum since he came into possession. It is calculated that in England the capital value of land fell by over \$500,000,000 or \$2,500,000,000 within a generation, and his due proportion of the national loss has fallen on this landlord. If put into the open market the estate would probably not fetch nearly \$100,000, but if it sold at half this price the landlord would be richer than he now is by several thousand dollars a year.

One need not go into his reasons for holding, but it is clear that at present he acts as a sort of agricultural credit bank to the estate. Whatever requires capital to be done he does. When the farmers were in a bad way he reduced the rents to a minimum. In the eyes of both farmers and laborers, schoolmaster and parson, who complete the population, he is regarded as the pivot of the organization. Without his capital there would be chaos, and without his personality much less confidence, which is the moral side of credit.

E. J. CHAMBERLIN

E. J. Chamberlin, President of the Grand Trunk Railway was born in New Hampshire, and was educated in a Methodist seminary. Early in the seventies, when a mere lad, he got a job as timekeeper on the old Central of Vermont. Then he became clerk in the paymaster's office. That shabby little workroom at St. Alban's proved to be a training-school for at least two great railroad men; for at the very next desk to Chamberlin's sat a plump, keen-eyed youth who stuck to his work and never minded the clock. The young clerk's name was Charles S. Mellen, now President of the New York, New Haven & Hartford, and transportation czar of all New England. He became Superintendent of the Ogdensburg & Lake Champlain Railroad; and soon a still more inviting opportunity came pounding at his door. John R. Booth, wanted to build a railroad northward from Lake Champlain, to tap his immense forest preserves. It was a rough-and-ready piece of construction through almost primeval country. Chamberlin was recommended for the task. It appealed to his imagination, and he undertook it with great success. He lived at the front with his men; slept and labored out in the open. When the road was pushed on to Georgian Bay, it became the Canada Atlantic, and Chamberlin was put in as general manager. He ordered two monster locomotives that could haul a full train a mile a minute. It was not long before the Grand Trunk assimilated the Canada Atlantic. Shortly after he succeeded Hays, someone asked Chamberlin if the Canada Atlantic could haul heavy traffic. The President replied: "Well, I guess so. I built the road myself, and laid down some of the rails with my own hands!" Declining all offers to remain in the service, Chamberlin went to Mexico, and constructed railways there. He loved the adventure of pioneering, and the outdoor life appealed to him. Then when Frank Morse resigned as Vice-President and General Manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific, to go to the Alton, Mr. Hays could only see one man to finish the task of blazing the iron way out to the Pacific, and that man was Chamberlin. Chamberlin followed his old tactics, for he went to the front with the men, changed headquarters from Montreal to Winnipeg, and was in the thick of things when his chief made that fateful Titanic trip. Chamberlin, like Hays, is a vivid personality. There is something about him that reminds you of his big-boned contemporary, Sir Donald Mann. Both men have the breath of the woods about them, and the look of the eye that comes from facing the sun in the great open places. Where Mann is broad and thick of chest, Chamberlin is tall, lithe, sinewy, and full of latent strength. Both Chamberlin and Mann made their first stakes in railroad construction. A remarkably unrumpled person is Chamberlin, too. He always lets the other fellow do the fretting. Here is one instance of the way in which he achieves his ends:

A difficult situation had arisen, in which he was arrayed against half a dozen men. At the very height of the negotiations, he sent for his private car and announced his intention of starting off for a week's shooting in the wilds. When one of his associates asked him why he was leaving at such a critical stage, he answered: "I am going away so that the other fellows will have a chance to wear themselves out. When I come back they will be glad to come to terms."—Globe.

Helps the Washing

The addition of a little bluing to water with which windows are washed will brighten them better than soda and with no risk to their paint.

Flapping Winged Aeroplane

A Frenchman has succeeded in flying with an aeroplane driven by flapping wings instead of a propeller.

Water for Oil

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