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A JAPANESE EDITORIAL.

The people of the Islands of Hondo, Yezo, Kiasiu and Shikoku in the Far East, known to the world as Japanese, are not Christians in name or profession, but they are civilized and modernized to a considerable extent, and have views as to the law of kindness and of human brotherhood with which heretofore they have not been so fully accredited as they should have been. We have praised their intelligence, enterprise and courage with

little thought perhaps as to their humanity. It may assist us to form a juster estimate of these people if we follow the Boston Herald in some extracts from an editorial in a Tokio newspaper, the Hoochi Shimbun, said to be the oldest newspaper in Japan. At this time one might suppose so intensely patriotic a people as the Japanese would be very much embittered against the Russians. We find on the contrary in the editorial referred to a strong appeal to the Japanese to treat their captives with the greatest consideration.

The Hoochi Shimbun states that the Government will, of course show unreserved kindness to the prisoners of war but it urges the people also to do their best to make the captives comfortable. It says: "The war should be limited to armed men against armed men; without arms they are good neighbors and friends. We are all kindred and are bound in one large family of human brotherhood, however widely separated may be the countries in which we live." With all our advantages of the Christian centuries past how much farther are we advanced than this! But the Japanese editor proceeds to urge that as several societies have been organized to assist their own soldiers at the front, one should also be started to assist the captives. The article proceeds: "When we hear that our brave sons at the front are captured by the enemy we are naturally anxious about them and we want to hear how they are treated. This is the same the world over. If captives are treated kindly it not only gladdens their own hearts and those of their relations, but the whole nation as well." No spirit of anger or revenge, no boasting, no contempt for the enemy, is shown in this admirable editorial.

And yet the Japanese editor could easily have found occasion for seven censures had he sought it. He does indeed mention that Japanese refugees sailing away from Manchuria were subjected to many indignities and in more than one

case helpless women were shamelessly misused, but these facts are not urged as the least justification or excuse for other than the most considerate treatment toward the Russian prisoners. On the contrary he said: "Revenge is a sin: it is a barbarous act. 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth' belongs to an old law that is obsolete. We are living under a new law of universal brotherhood and love." And here is the closing paragraph: "Don't become so much excited by the strong war feeling that you lose your better judgment, nor consider Russia an eternal enemy. For, when the struggle is over, Russia will be our good neighbor and friend who will enter into commercial and other profitable relations with us." All of which shows an excellent spirit. There is but little of this spirit shown in the Russian press. If the editor of the Hoochi Shimbun fairly represents the sentiments of the Japanese people then we may assume that they are at least no strangers to the law of kindness. "In every nation he that feareth Him and worketh righteousness is accepted with Him." "For when the Gentiles which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law... these are a law unto themselves, which show the work of the law written in their hearts."

THE ROYAL VISIT TO IRELAND.

The visit of the King and Queen to Ireland has called forth enthusiastic expressions of loyalty and good feeling. The late Queen visited Ireland shortly before her death and was similarly honored but for a long time previous the visits of the Sovereign to that Kingdom had been rare indeed compared with the number of royal visits to Scotland and the continent. It is to be hoped that hereafter nothing may prevent the King from carrying out his intention of making at least an annual trip among to his warm-hearted subjects in the Emerald Isle. In the past few years a favorable change is distinctly noticeable in that country. The passage of the Land Act last year is yet too recent to have borne much material fruit, but it is generally accepted as a measure of justice and kindly feeling from which great and good results must come. The people of Ireland already seem to be taking a more hopeful view of matters and the condition of the agricultural population, which makes up the bulk of the Irish people, is generally better than it has been for many years. With growing prosperity agriculturally and industrially will come an increasing measure of content and an abatement of political agitation.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister in London, says such progress is being made with railway construction in Korea that by the coming autumn the line will be in operation from Tusan to the Yalu River, the entire length of the Korean peninsula, a distance of nearly 450 miles.

Both St. Petersburg and London have apparently reliable advices of the landing of a Japanese force at three points apparently near Port Arthur and on the west coast of the Liao Tung peninsula. The evident object is to lay siege to and capture Port Arthur and the Russian ships shut up in its harbor. This indicates heavy fighting in that vicinity in the near future. It is 200 miles by water from Port Arthur in a northwest direction to the mouth of the Yalu River near which the heavy fighting of a week ago took place.

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