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### Political Issues in Japan.

Japan lately has been passing through a political crisis. The Japanese are slowly gaining some conception of the nature of representative government, and the latest political dispute has arisen from the demand for fuller control over the affairs of the empire by the national legislature.

1889 he consented to a degree of constitution- it, I would do anything in my power to al government. He retains full executive power, which he exercises through a cabinet appointed by himself. He execises legislative | familiarity and condescension, accompanied power by the advice and consent of the Im- by bows and grimaces, that he had no power perial Diet, composed of a house of peers and to refuse. They went to the coffee-house a house of representatives. A change in the His letter was presently transcribed, and as political complexion of the house of repre- soon as he had put the document in his sentatives is not necessarily followed by a change in the cabinet. One of the great proud as half an hour before. parties believes that this system is excellent, as under it the power of the emperor over "Nay, I am not certain," he adds, sarcasticadministration is supreme. The other great ally, "whether the Scotchman did not leave party desires the cabinet to be responsible to me, poor as he knew I was, to pay for my the Imperial Diet instead of to the emperor, own coffee." that the people may have more influence in the government.

The recent "crisis" is due to the practically unanimous objection of the house of representatives to the continuance of the present rate of land tax, and to the plans for raising money for enlarging the navy, whereas the cabinet insists that the land tax be unchanged, as its proceeds are needed for naval expan-

In England such a divergence between the ministry and the Parliament would be instantly followed by a change in the cabinet. In the United States, Congress would express its wishes by passing bills to carry them into effect, and the President would refuse to approve the bills. In Japan the differences have produced a situation not provided for by constitution or custom. The unraveling of the disagreement, whether by the retirement of the cabinet or by compromise, will increase the knowledge of government among a people who have had a constitution only thirteen

### Rifling a Great Man's Mail.

Samuel Johnson had been called "the brightest ornament of the eighteenth century," but without the fussy, obtrusive but superlative talent of Boswell, the actual life of Johnson would never have been revealed to us. Boswell was in deadly earnest. He took infinite pains to collect material at all times, in all places, from all men. The author off"The Memoirs of Thomas Holcroft" has recorded a story of Mr. Mauritius Lowe, a painter and a protege of Johnson, which shows Boswell's "nose for news," and his snobbishness as well. Lowe had requested Johnson to write him a letter, which Johnson did, and Boswell came in while it was writing: his attention was immediately fixed



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Lowe took the letter, retired, and was followed by Boswell.

"Nothing," said Lowe, "could surprise me more. Till that moment he had so entirely overlooked me that I did not imagine he knew there was such a creature in existence, and he now accosted me with the most overstrained and insinuating compliments pos-

"'How do you do, Mr. Lowe? I hope you are well, Mr Lowe? Pardon my freedom, Mr Lowe, but I think I saw my dear friend Doctor Johnson writing a letter for

"Yes, sir.'

"'I hope you will not think me rude, but if it would not be too great a favor, you would infinitely oblige me if you would just let me have a sight of it. Anything from that hand, you know, is so inestimable.'

"Sir, it is on my own private affairs,

"'I would not pry into a person's affairs, my dear Mr Lowe, by any means. I am sure you would not accuse me of such a thing, only, if it were no particular secret-

"Sir, you are welcome to read the letter." "'I thank you, my dear Mr. Lowe. You are very obliging. I take it exceedingly

"Having read, Boswell went on: 'It is nothing I believe, Mr. Lowe, that you would be ashamed of-'

" 'Certainly not.

"'Why, then, my dear sir, if you would do me another favor you would make the obligation eternal. If you would but step to The emperor is an absolute ruler, but in Peele's coffeehouse with me to take a copy of oblige you.'"

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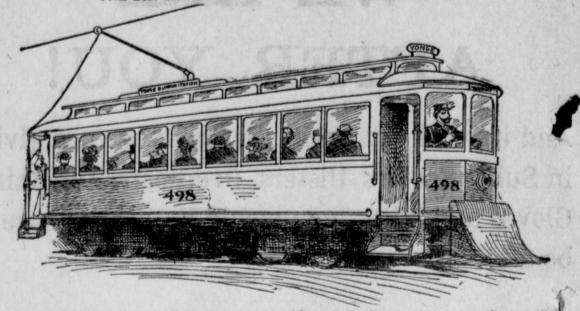
Immediately after a wedding which took place in Washington the best man started for South Africa, where he remained more than a year. On his return, says a writer in Harper's Magazine, he was given a dinner and wore evening clothes for the first time since the wedding.

In the midst of the evening, fumbling in | wad of paraffin paper!". his waistcoat pocket, he astonished himself and his friends by pulling out a hundred-

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