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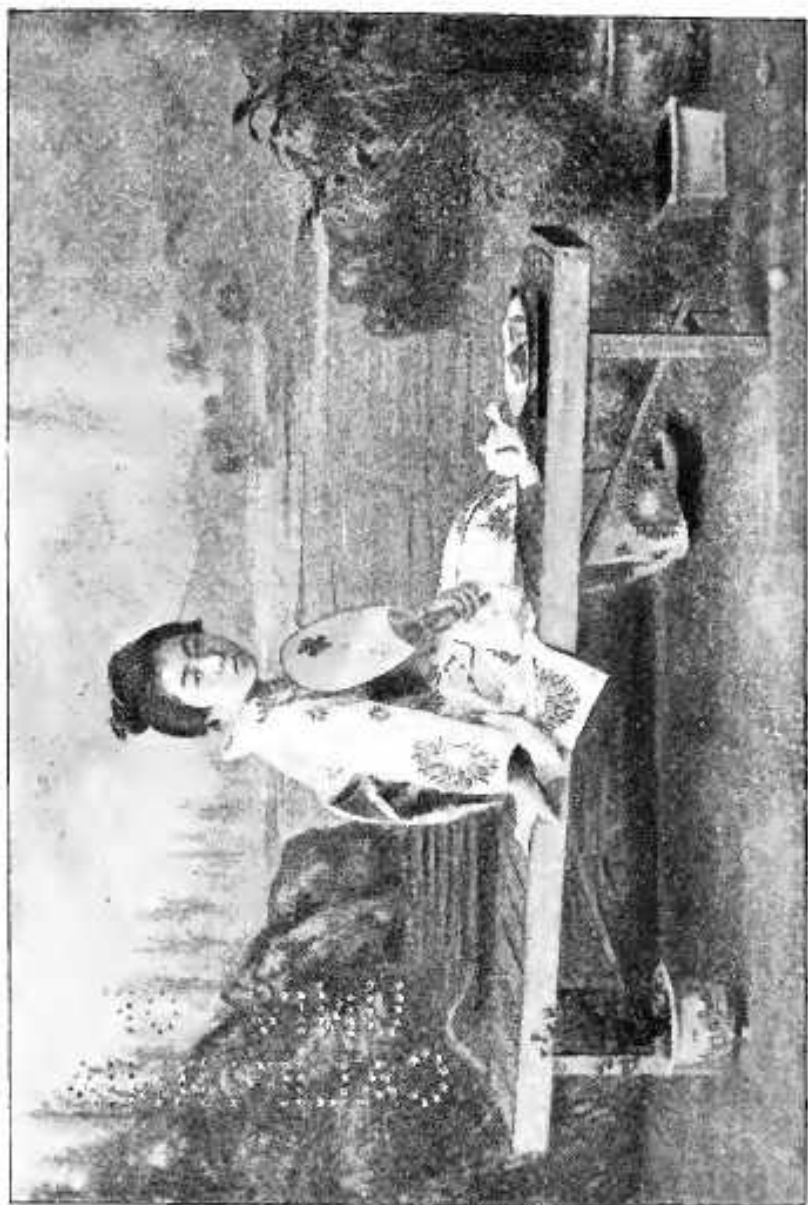
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## P R E F A C E

I FEEL that it requires some hardihood to inflict on readers of travels yet another book on Japan. May my apology be that perchance the latest news of so interesting a country may not be altogether unacceptable to English readers? The following pages describe the unsophisticated wanderings of two young people through Japan during a few months' leave, taken from India. Perhaps it would not be too presumptuous to hope that those who know not the country will enjoy their trip on paper proportionately as much as we did ours on land; whilst those who have been in Japan, and know far more about it than we do, will, we trust, overlook such inaccuracies and fallacies as must necessarily occur in the work of a stray traveller in a strange land.

G. J. Y.



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