

## JAPANESE TRAINING CHINESE TROOPS.

According to the Chinese Press, the Peking Government has sanctioned the formation of an officers' training corps, in pursuance of the newly-concluded agreement between China and Japan, for the purpose of training the Chinese Army on the Japanese plan. General Yu Chin-ho has been chosen to be the Commander and the chief training master will be Mr. Sakashi, a Japanese officer, assisted by 12 other Japanese officers and non-commissioned officers. The inauguration ceremony of this corps was to take place on February 15th. The scheme of training will be divided into three periods each of four months, or to be completed in one year. During each period, 2,000 officers are to be trained, by drafting one or two officers from every company who shall be transferred to Peking to undergo this work. The officers of all the divisions of the Chinese Army will have to be trained on the Japanese plan without exception. The training ground is situated at Huangshi or the Yellow Temple on the outskirts of Peking.

## JAPANESE SAY AMERICANS BACKING CHINESE AGAINST THEM.

A Shanghai despatch to the *Mainichi* reports, "on the strength of information emanating from reliable sources," that Mr. Carl Crow, proprietor of an American news agency, and the Anglo-American Tobacco Company, are in the background of the vigorous anti-Japanese campaign now being carried on in the Chinese Press over the exaggerated reports of the Japanese Minister's protest against the behaviour of Chinese delegates at Paris. The Shanghai correspondent of the Osaka journal learns that these mischief-makers are stating their anti-Japanese propaganda with considerable vigour acting in concert with a section of the Chinese statesmen and some foreign Press correspondents.

It never seems to occur to Japanese writer that China can possibly protest even against the most outrageous treatment, unless prompted to do so by people inspired by anti-Japanese malice.