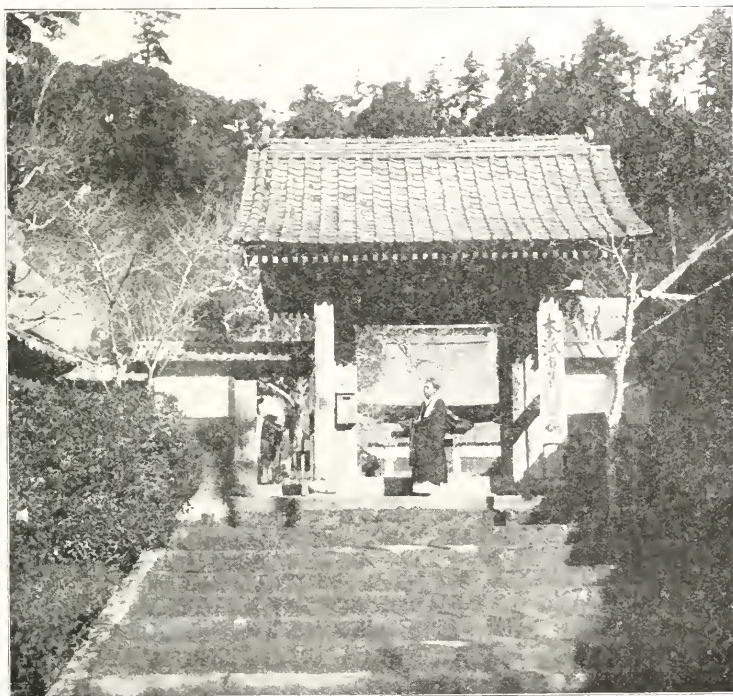


better off by not having it. Be satisfied with your small portion, whatever it may be. Too much prosperity for an individual is a bad thing. It breeds idleness and that leads to sin."

### SOYEN SHAKU AT KAMAKURA.

In preparing the Rt. Rev. Soyen Shaku's book for publication which is now ready for the market under the title *The Sermons of a Buddhist Abbot*, we came into possession of an interesting picture showing the author in his pontifical robes, standing under the gateway within the grounds of his mon-



astery at Kamakura, Japan, and we take pleasure in presenting it here to our readers who may be interested in the thoughtful expositions of the religion and philosophy of a modern Buddhist priest.

### BOOK REVIEWS AND NOTES.

THE TRUTH ABOUT JESUS OF NAZARETH. By *Philip Sidney*. London: W. Stewart & Co., 1904. Pp. xi, 215. Price, 2s. 6d.

Philip Sidney deems it his duty to speak "The Truth About Jesus of Nazareth" in plain language, and he derives his opinion "from a study of the Gospel narratives." He proves to be a close reader of the Scriptures and the ideal Jesus disappears in the scrutiny of a man who scorns to read the records in the light of later interpretations. He appears to accept the trust-