



*Gymnastics at the military school at Kai-feng-fu.*

but I had no opportunity of watching it. The horses and equipment belong to the State. The pay is the same as in Shensi.

Tactical exercises in the field and small manoeuvres are said to be performed frequently in the autumn after harvesting. Target practice from the 10th to the 2nd month daily. 1 shao of each ying per day. Each man fires 5 shots. I was told that no firing practice was done with guns.

The men in general are of medium height and poorly developed. The uniforms are similar to those I described at Si-an-fu. Officers always wear khaki. During drill knapsacks and coats are often carried on the men's backs.

I saw the Manchurian ying doing infantry drill. I was told, however, that it was a cavalry ying. There are no horses in the impanj, but they are said to be kept among the Manchurian population. The total Manchurian population amounts to 10 tchi, of which 2 are Mongolian.

The barracks are S and SSE of the town wall at a distance of  $\frac{1}{3}$ — $\frac{2}{3}$  of a mile. Each ying has its own barracks, enclosed by a crenellated wall of clay and divided into numerous small buildings. Every pyn has its own house, in which the non-commissioned officers occupy a small room in the middle and the men are evenly divided in the two rooms at the sides. There is a small hospital ward for 12—15 men in each ying. Everything is clean and well cared for.