



Dubois de Jancigny
Japon, Indo-chine, Empire Birman (ou Ava), Siam, Annam (ou Cochinchine), Péninsule Malaise, etc., Ceylan
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This book was published in 1850 by Firmin Didot frères, located in Paris, as a volume in the series, *L'univers: histoire et description de tous les peuples*. The series offers an interpretation on the history and life of countries and regions around the world, and this volume covers Japan, the countries in Indochina, and Ceylon.

The author, Adolphe Philibert Dubois de Jancigny (1795-1860), was a French diplomat and researcher of Oriental Studies. *Inde*, published in 1845 within the same series, was also written by Dubois de Jancigny. Although he had never visited Japan himself, he succeeded in writing about Japan in great detail by referring to documents on Japan, written by researchers, including Philipp Franz von Siebold (1796-1866), Engelbert Kaempfer (1651-1716), Carl Peter Thunberg (1743-1828) and Isaac Titsingh (1745-1812).

In addition to a wide range of descriptions on Japan's natural environment and geography, political and social systems, science, literature, lifestyles and customs of the Japanese people, and its trade with the Dutch on Dejima, the book contains more than 10 lithographs including a map of Japan, portraits of people and scenes from everyday life.