

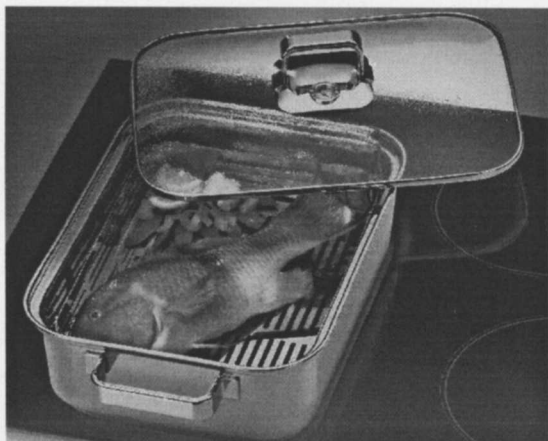
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when evacuated to school halls, etc during earthquakes, hurricanes and other natural disasters, etc. When not in use, the bed folds down flat for easy storage. The bed can also easily be turned into a table and bench. The company also produce a cardboard dog kennel to stop pets from becoming lost following natural disasters and an emergency toilet again made of cardboard. Price: Bed = 3,000 yen.

## Steamer

### 10. Multi-Purpose Steamer

Kaijirushi has begun marketing "Vitalis Kihon Set" a sturdy, large size stainless steel rectangular food steaming unit featuring a glass lid with a removable thermometer.



The unit is heated by placing on the hob and is suitable for steaming fish, meat and vegetables. Size: 27cm x 42cm x H: 10cm. Price: 47,250 yen.

## Insecticide

### 11. Neem Based Commercial Insecticide

Japan Ecologia has announced the release of "By Lohas Pest Controller" a safe, more environmentally friendly commercial insecticide spray containing Neem oil.

Unlike conventional insecticides that poison the insect, the product blocks the breathing passage, suffocating the insect within 1-minute of application. The insecticide has been tested for

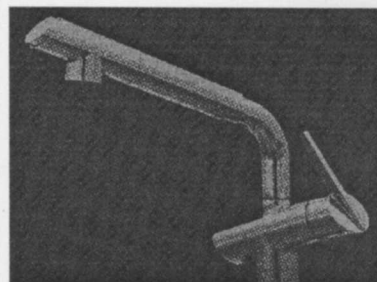
toxicity by the Tokyo based Pharmaceutical Safety Testing Centre which has concluded that it is "Safe even if accidentally swallowed by humans". Price: Pack sufficient for 33 square metres = 3,780 yen.



## Water Purifier

### 12. 2 IN 1 Faucet and Water Purifier

Takagi has released "Convergence" a stylish, sleek profile kitchen faucet with a cartridge type water-purifying device located in its end.



The design combines both modern styling with traditional Japanese design and features a lever styled on the famous Japanese water feature "Shishi odoshi". The filter is capable of processing 2.5 litres per minute. Price: Faucet = 63,000 yen, replacement cartridge = 3,900 yen.

## Car Gloss Cloth

### 13. Car Gloss Cloth

Tokyo based Surluster has released "Black Label Hybrid Cloth" a 40cm x 37cm soft textured cloth made of ultra-thin fibres ideal for both polishing off wax or buffing.