

duties and respect for constituted authority. Perhaps in spite of our boasted civilization, we have something to learn from John Chinaman!

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How comes it, that China survived one alien invading, devastating horde after another, while the map of superior Europe continually changed with kaleidoscopic thoroughness and suddenness? It is a fascinating riddle. Possibly China has not been conquered and destroyed, because China simply cannot be conquered and destroyed. Her consistent Confucianism, ancestor worship and lofty aggrandisement of the family organisation into the most exalted agency in her national scheme, is perhaps the solid rock upon which her unchanging existence rests and upon which every attempt at subjugation has finally foundered ingloriously. In the last analysis it seems clear that the home has been China's national shield and safeguard during all the ages—that simple, fundamental unit upon which all lasting progress, human welfare and national homogeneity must in the end depend.

What has been the tendency of our modern democracies in respect to this basic, all-important social unit? The home is essentially a rural institution—"God made the country and man made the town." In the country we still find real homes. Our "up-lift" societies are always prating and ranting about "guarding" the home, but in our ever-growing cities, the product of the modern factory system, with its dense population hived