

There are four times as many judges in France as in the whole of China. The profession of law is looked down upon. The profession of arms fell into contempt a thousand years ago. The highest caste is the literary caste, open, however, to the lowliest citizen in the country. From this all Government employees are recruited. China is essentially a democratic country. Its people are, as a whole, happy and contented, and only ask to be left alone. Its citizens seldom come into contact with the Government, in fact, China should be the ideal home of the anarchist, as she has apparently solved the problem of getting along without ordinances and acts of parliament at every step.

The schools of China, while deficient in the direction of sciences, teach painstakingly the general Confucian principles of justice and morality, honest dealings, and duty to one's neighbour and the State. As a consequence, public honesty in China is of a very high order. But the greatest institution of all amongst these wise people is the family. Periodical councils are held in the home of the head of the family, that is, its oldest member. A brief lecture is delivered on some ancestor who distinguished himself, probably in the service of the State. This is followed by an inquiry into any complaints against members of the family and, we are told, that these family councils never disperse until each one present has assured the head, that he has faithfully paid all taxes due to the State! The young are brought up in an atmosphere of conscientious performances of public