

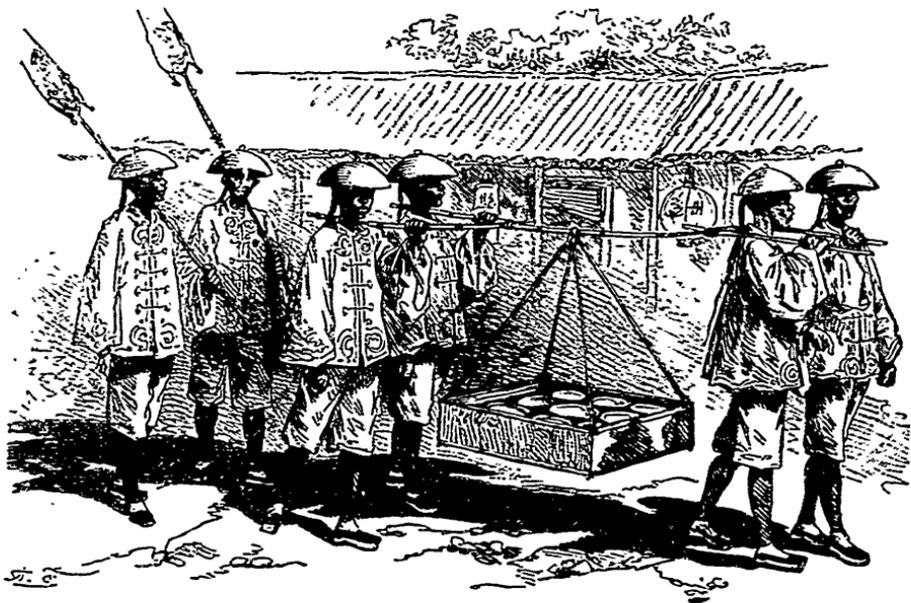
error is to be fought in this land of the Dragon. All the forces of error, symbolized in that national emblem, are arrayed against the truth, as symbolized in the Cross. Her population embraces nearly one-half of the people in the whole pagan world, and should therefore absorb one-half the energies of the Church in her foreign mission work. It is the duty of the Church to consider the proportionate claim of China beside those of other nations, and also to reflect upon the permanency of results attained in that land."

On the same subject the Rev. Judson Smith, D.D., remarks:

"It is not a little significant to note

boldly and at once. This is upon us in all its vast dimensions and unfathomed meaning: God does not permit us either to ignore it or to evade it. And it behooves us to face our whole duty and measure the unspeakable privileges of our times by the unparalleled opportunities God has set before us. The sun has looked on nothing like it since St. Paul and his companions were led forth of the Holy Ghost to the evangelization of the Roman Empire. And we are the chosen of God for this august service.

"The missionary force now at work in China bears no comparison with the needs of the field. We seem but playing at the



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how Providence is compelling the great Christian powers of our day to face this problem; how active and persistent the Chinese question is becoming in America, in Australia, in the South Sea, in the policies of Great Britain and Russia. 'The Chinese be upon thee,' is the haunting dread of many a land, and the trouble will not cease until Christian love has had its rights, until this people have been won to an abiding place in the kingdom of Christ. Words are powerless to convey, the imagination fails to comprehend, the meaning and grandeur of such a miracle; and yet this is the very task which God appoints to our times, and by a thousand voices is bidding us to attempt

evangelization of this people. In China not one in four hundred ever heard the name of Christ, or has as yet had the opportunity of hearing that name. There is only one missionary to every 818,000 souls."

Referring to the special adaptation of Methodist institutions, class-meetings, Quarterly and Annual Conferences, for Chinese evangelization, Dr. Baldwin, for many years Methodist missionary in that country, writes:

"So well adapted are all these Methodist institutions to the Chinese that our brethren of the Church of England have found it well to adopt them. The An-