

activities of men of their own race in the East. Now the problem is slowly shaping itself to mean: how much must we give in return for what we take; and how can we arrange matters to keep the East out of the West, while at the same time securing free access for the West in the East.

We in America, for example, declare that the whole southern half of the western hemisphere, an enormous tract of valuable land, thinly populated, is within our sphere of influence, and not open to Chinese, Indian, or Japanese settlers; at the same time we ridicule the talk of war. Can anything be more deplorably self-satisfied, ignorant and illogical! Even that most peaceable of men, George Herbert, knew, and wrote: "You cannot get beyond danger without danger."

I am not a pleader nor an advocate. I have attempted in this volume merely to give material for a readjustment of our views of the East; but I defy any American to show me how we can get beyond the danger of the Monroe Doctrine, how we can get beyond the dangers of persistent, and often aggravating, attempts to impose our religious and moral codes upon an indifferent and suspicious Eastern population, without the danger of a powerful navy. Not even Yankee ingenuity can get beyond danger without danger! Our selfish, thoroughly un-Christian and topsy-