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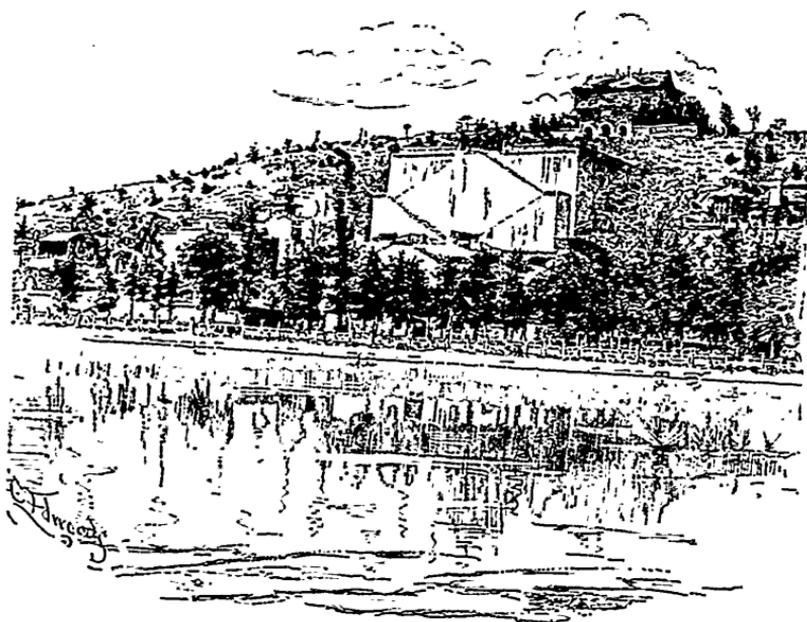
Dr. Smith tells us of a Chinese who was employed by a foreigner—no doubt himself—in pushing a heavy wheelbarrow on journeys, often months in duration. "Upon these trips it was necessary to start early, to travel late, to transport heavy loads over steep and rugged mountains, in all seasons and in all weathers, fording chilling rivers with bare feet and legs,

implied in a working life passed in such a happy frame of mind. "If the teaching of history as to what happens to 'the fittest' is to be trusted, there is a magnificent future for the Chinese race."

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OUTLOOK FOR PROTESTANT MISSIONS IN CHINA.

On this subject Rev. B. C. Henry, a Presbyterian missionary at Canton, China, writes as follows:

"The whole structure of heathenism is being undermined and weakened in a



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and at the end of every stage to prepare his master's food and lodging. All this laborious work was done for a very moderate compensation, and always without complaint; and at the end of several years of this service his master testified that he had never once seen this servant out of temper!"

Now, to put the merits of such a placid temper on the lowest utilitarian grounds, consider what an economy of nervous friction is

way that only the future can reveal. In the great city temple of Canton the worshippers had fallen off to such an extent that the lease of the place, which was formerly considered a profitable speculation, often commanding six or seven thousand dollars a year, for a term of three years went a-begging, no one being willing to undertake it for more than a few months at a time. The people were deserting the shrines, and the temple keepers, who depend for their living on the sale of materials for worship, were in despair, and bitterly denounced the preachers of Jesus, who had shaken the faith of the people in their gods.

"The great conflict between truth and