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The City 'Above the Sea.'

(By Archdeacon Moule, in 'Church Missionary Gleaner.')

Shanghai—'above the sea,' or 'the highest sea'—'approaching the sea,' as Williams renders the words—is probably the most important port of the Far East; and the most

important centre in all China for internal and external trade.

Over a large proportion of the vast area of Central China, and far off to the confines of Tibet, Shanghai is the distributor and receiver of the flow and ebb of commerce; and she is linked by numerous lines of ocean-going steamers with the great outside

world, east and west. Smaller steamers connect her with the trade of over 1,200 miles of coast; and she is in communication with all great centres of the world's life and trade by telegraph lines.

Shanghai is 'above the sea,' forty miles from the real waters of the China Sea; but seated over the sea in a sense, being only