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perial Tract in Tetrameter. It is, you will perceive, one of the best specimens of Chinese typography, being printed in large legible characters, on white paper, and stitched in gilt paper of the imperial hue. It was prepared by the Imperial Academy in obedience to the directions of the late emperor Tankwang, and is issued according to the commands of his son, the reigning monarch. It is a compendious view of the doctrines of Confucius, with a panegyric of the sage in verse, and is founded on one of the maxims of the emperor Kanghi, "*Discard heterodox doctrines in order to promote orthodoxy.*"

"With the emperor himself in the field of tract distribution," says Dr. Macgowan, "the American Tract Society cannot but regard their work in China as of peculiar interest and of vast importance."

TRACTS IN A BATTLE.

HAMBURGH.

The Rev. Mr. Oncken says:—"One of the members of our church serving in the Schleswig-Holstein army, an active tract distributor, was almost miraculously saved at the attack on Friedrichstadt. In storming the place he fell, from a musket ball received in the chest. He was carried from the field, supposed to be dead. When his consciousness returned, he found himself in the hospital under the hands of the surgeon, who was opening his coat to find where the wound was, when to his joy it was discovered that the wound was but slight, and that the deadly ball had been stayed in its destroying course by the pocket book of our brother, and especially by its contents—about twenty or twenty-five tracts, which he had always ready for distribution, and which he carried in his bosom as more accessible than his pocket. I need not add, that to the whole church this remarkable deliverance has been a cause of holy gratitude to our heavenly Father, who honored his poor defenceless child in the hour of danger, as he had not forgotten to be mindful of his master, and the souls of his fellow sinners, in most unfavorable circumstances."

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