

MAN TO BE ENVIED

Follower of Confucius Has Many Advantages.

Both at Home and Abroad, Writer Points Out, He is Favored Over Other Nationalities.

Wherever the Chinaman may be—and he is found in every part of the world—he has certain advantages which, for instance, the American or Englishman does not have. Let us first mention the advantages of being a Chinaman in his homeland, Chang ChaoLin writes in the New York Evening Post. For one thing, he never has to be bored by political speeches; Chinese politicians hardly make any speeches; the few speeches they make are more refreshing and more revealing, for they tell in a few phrases the full tragedy of the politician. For example, a Chinese politician is likely to begin his remarks, be they oral or written, in some such way as this: "I, unworthy Chenling, who have neither upheld the honor of my illustrious ancestors nor met the expectations of the honorable people of this land, who am without both ability and learning—" How much more educative political meetings in America would be if tradition compelled the speakers to make such frank revelations about themselves!

Another of the inestimable advantages of being a Chinaman in his homeland is the careful way in which the illusion of life's drama is maintained for him. This drama, as is commonly known, has only two actors—man and woman. And the elementary requirement of any drama is that the mechanics of it should be hidden, that the property man should not get on the stage when the curtain is still up. Now in China, the heroine of life's drama never spoils the show, as is done in some other countries, by exhibiting the mechanical processes of makeup right on the stage; she would never think of powdering her nose in a restaurant scene, nor would she interrupt the action to puff out her curls whenever the exigencies of the drama should require that she take off her hat. These are trifles, but then the illusion is thin enough as it is.

Another advantage which the Chinaman shares with the Chinawoman, in a country where marriages are always romantic and must always remain romantic, acting romantically toward the husband or the wife is a part of good manners. In China, romance may or may not co-exist with marriage; if it does, well and good. The Chinaman and the Chinawoman are under no circumstances compelled to recall the expressions of endearment as soon as company enters the home. If the American and the Americanwoman shared this advantage how much suffering could be spared!

Abroad, as at home being a Chinaman has advantages. Let it suffice to mention the general advantage of being a Chinaman in America. We are anxious to tell this advantage because we have enormously profited by it. The language which the American use may be hard and perverse, yet a Chinaman, by making the subject agree—sometimes disagree—with the predicate in three successive sentences, acquires instantly the reputation of speaking excellent English. Again, every Chinaman in America who can make any kind of speech or write any kind of composition becomes immediately an authority on China. The thirty American intellectuals, in view of the many criticisms they have suffered, must envy the case of the Chinaman in becoming an authority on his own country.

If life is so drab, so materialistic in America, may'n't the solution be in all Americanmen becoming Chinamen?

Monarch's Target Practice.

Interesting stories of the late King Buno of Swaziland are told in "Adventures in Swaziland." The author is Dr. Owen Rowe O'Neill, who in spite of his Irish name is a South African Boer. King Buno was a savage of the old school. He preferred the gin which he could drink to gold which he could only look at. He drank the gin all at once, as soon as he got it. On one occasion, when he had come into possession of a Mauser rifle and cartridges, he had his whole army paraded in front of him, and began a sort of shooting competition into the motionless ranks. The savage king slipped a clip into his Mauser, the metallic click intensified by the silence. He raised the rifle, sighting down first one line of warriors and then the other. The next instant a shot rang out and a plumed Swazi pitched forward and lay writhing in the sunlight. "Four more shots rang out," says Doctor O'Neill, "and at each a plumed head came down."

Keep Hands Off.

The love of the wood rose is rightfully in all our hearts. That city motorists can take city dwellers to it in a day is a boon that the genius of modern civilization has lately conferred and that is worth much, says the American Forestry Magazine. It is necessary that with privilege should go the power of self-restraint that teaches all not only to love beauty, but that others, as worthy, may equally enjoy it.

Baby Wanted It.

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ITHACA

Mrs. M. H. Sincox left Wednesday for Cincinnati to spend a month with her daughter.

Jack Dicken and family were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Davis at Charlotte. While there they attended a meeting of the Florida Club composed of Michigan people who winter in Florida.

William Scott and family of Lansing spent the week end in Ithaca. Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Rockwell and the latter's mother, Mrs. Hoagland, are spending a few days at Houghton.

Mrs. Carrie Welch and daughter, Theda, are in Clare visiting Dr. and Mrs. Mulder.

Miss Helen Scott of Redford is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Harriet Colwell.

John and Andrew Hafer of Elkhart, Ind., were in Ithaca a day the past week.

Mrs. Alice Jordan, who has been spending the summer in Parishville, N. Y., with her sisters, has returned to Ithaca.

A farewell party for Miss Glenellen Coalwell was held at the home of Majel Naldrett Friday evening attended by about thirty. A pot luck supper was served. Miss Coalwell left Sunday for Kalamazoo to attend the Normal.

The Crescent Home Club will meet Friday afternoon, Oct. 6, with Mrs. Leslie Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hoffman and the latter's sister, Mrs. Homer Mulholland, of Portland, Ore., spent the first of the week at Blanchard where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Mason and family.

The business men of Ithaca gave a noonday luncheon Monday in honor of Rev. L. L. Dewey, who is about to remove to Big Rapids.

The 36th annual convention of the Gratiot County Sunday School Association was held Saturday and Sunday in the Methodist church.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McBrien a little daughter who weighed 7½ lbs. Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Dewey and son George spent the week end at Kalamazoo where they visited Mr. Dewey's mother and a brother and sister.

John Sutton is suffering from injuries received when he was kicked by a horse Saturday.

Mrs. Atlanta Smith returned Monday to her home in North Star after spending the past week with her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Hogman.

Mrs. J. J. Green and two children of Clare are guests of the former's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Wilson.

Mrs. Mary Stevens of Detroit and Jacob Krepps of St. Johns spent the past week with their sister, Mrs. Ella Dodge.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schliagenhauf of Bason, New York, returned home Wednesday after a two weeks' visit with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Cummings.

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE XXXV.—W. VIRGINIA



AS THE name implies, West Virginia was originally a portion of Virginia, the Old Dominion Colony. While its history is naturally yoked up with that of the Mother State, there are many points in which the two sections of Virginia were divergent and it was for this reason that West Virginia finally became a separate state.

The first white man who probably penetrated the wilderness of this Western region was John Laderer, a German surgeon, who went on a tour of exploration in 1609. In the same year, La Salle sailed up the Ohio and landed at several points in the present state. There was little colonization until 1732, when Scotch and Irish adventurers began to fill Western Virginia. They were encouraged but little, and, in fact, the King in 1783 declared that this part of the colony was Indian country and could not rightfully be settled. Colonization continued, however, and bitter warfare was waged against the Indians and the French who had come down from the North. In 1774 the battle of Pt. Pleasant was fought, which was one of the bloodiest of Indian conflicts.

The backwoodsmen who settled in the Western part of Virginia were entirely different types of men from the wealthy slave owners along the coast. Jealousies between the two sections arose and the Western countries felt great dissatisfaction at the way Virginia was governing them. The most marked point of disagreement was over the slavery question, and it was because of this that, when Virginia seceded from the Union in 1861, West Virginia took matters in its own hands. Delegates met at Wheeling, drew up a separate constitution, and declared their independence. Their application for admission into the Union was accepted by Lincoln, and in 1863 West Virginia became the thirty-sixth state.

It is often called the "Panhandle State" on account of its shape. Its area is 24,170 square miles, and it has eight presidential electors.

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