



to turn the true religion. And have one of the present year  
 in China, who have embraced Christianity, and the  
 Emperor has allowed them to build temples of worship.  
 I conclude by saying. From the above facts we  
 know I am a good friend of his country, and have  
 nothing to wish to want on the subject of its  
 trade, and before long, with the assistance of  
 your favor to see it make some progress.

I beg your Excellency may please to forward me  
 to the great thing of the night, maintain to please  
 it over.

Three - Hospital in paper

In the year of the  
 1847. Jan. 15.  
 Chinese Date  
 Jan. 15. Year 20.  
 11<sup>th</sup> moon, 5<sup>th</sup> day.

The English Physician  
 Peking's reply.

This letter was brought back after three days. It  
 is given that it contains an official statement  
 of Christian's, which can now be brought  
 under notice of the King. I attend the  
 letter, as follows:

I have humbly received your recent letter and fully peruse concerning the  
 topic of physicians. I have to say, the medical art in China is very  
 considerable, most the society being in Canton, then in Peking, and  
 the physician. There are also in Shanghai and Ningpo great hospitals,  
 in which hundreds of Chinese patients are under the superintendence of  
 English physicians. He who does not understand the machinery of a watch  
 cannot repair it, when it is spoiled. Now the Chinese doctor has no notion  
 of the mechanism of man, how should they cure him when sick? Sometimes  
 an old woman may effect a cure, but is she therefore a physician?

As to geography and astronomy, every one knows the Chinese have  
 been taught in these matters by disciples of Jesus, but as yet have  
 progress is small. The teachers being deficient their knowledge  
 must be still more so. How can a ship sail these vast seas  
 without a knowledge of the principles of astronomy? As to the study  
 of the English language and writing, no doubt both English and  
 American ships will soon have to send here in considerable  
 numbers, and it would be a shame if none were able to speak  
 and a help of some could do any business with them. Studying

about the same time the following parable was sent in to the King:  
 In the land of Choo. Lee, there was once a great business, and it came  
 to pass that a large part fell down from heaven, which made a great  
 noise about its fall, so that all the inhabitants fled from it, a parcel  
 with hunger as before. Thus one says we are the country, we must  
 go and see that such a fall as it came down from heaven it cannot be  
 an evil thing, and men would give passage here, not to say, saying  
 the lightning had struck that house, that the sun had set, or that  
 the moon was not seen, or that it is the thunder that struck the  
 house? The people still continued to persecute him from his intention.



...two years and more and acquire a good knowledge of the English language  
...writing, and with the English letters the language of our country can be understood  
...there has one to many faults, the main an occupation  
...what is the matter with the English? In China, there are many schools  
...in their English masters teach children - then necessarily writing  
...the people have one and the same, "writing", what is the matter! For the last  
...that the European language, can never learn a good book to become  
...enlightened. The Chinese books contain only old fables, but they  
...table of science and art. - How necessary that will know that  
...and a good friend of his country, and have no greater wish than  
...that of making the people happy, and take that contentment by  
...Government, but not one will make progress. - I beg pardon  
...and will to favour him for the improvement of the people's health.

...but the wife was weak. In finding the fault in spending it and not in  
...conducting it. The first thing, however, for a man to do, is to  
...to find a good teacher, and to be provided with the proper  
...the house. After some months, his progress was very good,  
...and he was able to read a book, but he was not very  
...when he had made all things ready, he was waiting for the  
...with him to copy. He had the coffee on the fire, and  
...proceeding towards the house. The servant was then surprised  
...when observing him to find him writing sitting over a good  
...bit of rice, his countenance and appearance being very  
...of the house, and the wife was there, and he was very  
...to him? When you have learned about me? I had a feeling  
...you. You are born to eat, for you taste all that you eat. After  
...it will be good to taste with him into the coffee and conversation  
...in order to keep him out. The whole population had already  
...led to the funeral of the wife and father, he was the  
...good man, but he was not in his right mind, when he was  
...in his right mind.

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(Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 1849)  
Napa, English Free Hospital  
The Physician  
Petaling's

The following anecdote belongs to the 4<sup>th</sup>, and was intended to suggest the  
...to be permitted to assist medically the sick poor. The  
...had become mad, from excessive application to public business)  
...there was once a scholar, so diligent as to read some at  
...the light of a bag of glass, and thereby attained to the first  
...literary degree and enjoyed the special favour of his King. But  
...interest study soon heated his brains and he became mad, with the  
...impression of having an ox tongue hanging from his nose. If  
...any one came to visit him, he said, Take care not to touch my  
...beautiful tongue. His mind, very much pained, called in medical  
...aid, inquired of the Surgeon and Fortune tellers, but all to no purpose,  
...they could not heal him, and he went on playing and shouting  
...but was not as the man play with the brand. Finally, there  
...read a thread and experienced physician, who pronounced the  
...patient curable. The King on hearing this sent for him, and  
...told him, If you can cure my faithful servant, you shall  
...be made one of the Honourable members. - The doctor now  
...found a large clove, went into a butcher's and bought  
...a large ox tongue, then he provided himself with a sharp  
...knife, and went to the residence of the Lunatic man, opened

...the lid out a large skull from the coffin instead of the body  
...of the man! But this circumstance was still great, and  
...the being opened, they found it contained what in the whole  
...country could not be found, rice. Then the King, seeing his  
...servant still up in the coffin, addressed him thus: O fool, what  
...of bread to believe that you can be wiser than I was, you  
...spoon come to many of you, but not have provided a









