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前內閣總理

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子鳳先生閣下展誦

大著驅中國之詞華敷西美之義理實
為文章中第一堂奧所稱聖經世俗刻
薄化歸忠厚去俗虛偽引入誠實議
論尤為正大辯晰篤信迷信見解確
當非尋常談天衍雕龍鬪者可得同
年而語去衰道微人心涼薄

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序

仲君子鳳在天津青年會任編纂之後歷有年所
誠懇勤謹君子人也頃以所著文字若干首示余
且屬乃序其論耶教至詳盡矣顧余未窺其深
不敢乃一辭之贊惟篇末論今之尊孔者虛文是
崇於修道乃教之無恐無裨補則誠至歲末流
之失凡多孔教中人所當同過而喜者也

己未新歷九月

天津嚴修



前京津基督教青年會總幹事格林序 (1)

Introduction to "Plain Papers" (明道集)

The work of Ymca in China was started in 1895 by Mr. D. Willard Lyon in the City of Tientsin. It was, therefore, fitting that the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of this work in China should be celebrated in Tientsin in April 1920. "Some have sown, others have reaped; but all rejoice together".

I followed Mr. Lyon in the spring of 1898 and spent eleven of my twenty-two years in China in Ymca work in Tientsin. It was a real regret that I was not able to attend the celebration of the quarter century of beginning of association work in China.

During the large part of this period of early development, Mr. Chung Wei yi was intimately associated with the Tientsin Ymca as senior Chinese secretary. The Association was a completely new organization in China. To establish it as a fully organized, fully equipped self-supporting institution in China, it was necessary to get the permanent elements in the Chinese community to understand the Association in its spirit, its policy, its method. The program of the Association, the location of the Building and selection of working staff were each given fullest attention with reference to the merchant class,

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the local gentry, the educators, the officials so as to win their confidence and support. In all this work Mr. Chung was most faithful and efficient. He is a Chinese scholar of high standard and in addition had received western modern training in the Christian College in Shanghai thus making a combination in ability rare and difficult to find.

The Association had in the beginning very inadequate equipment and limited resources. There was not so much attraction to a Building as now. Recourse was had chiefly to personal friendship and most of the work had to be done outside the Yucca quarters. Advantage also was taken of the well-known respect for the printed page among the educated classes. A little weekly paper or bulletin was published for the special use of the members of the Yucca. Mr. Chung had special responsibility for the editing of this bulletin and he made the fullest use of his opportunity to make the bulletin serve in the best way possible the highest interests of the membership of the Association. It was not merely a medium of notices, of lectures & events of interest to members. Every issue would carry some useful message to young men, either the gist of an address, the report of a lecture, or substance of discussion in Bible Study groups and always with his

extreme scholarly care, Mr. Chung would dress these articles up in best literary form. Now that Mr. Chung is retiring from active participation in the activities of the Fientsin Y. M. C. A. he has the happy thought of gathering out of the files of the bulletins of the past eighteen years of his connection with the Association a number of the articles and essays which can be printed in permanent form under the caption of "Plain Papers" (或 明道集).

Mr. Chung was well trained in the "first principles of Christian doctrine" by his faithful teachers, and I can testify to his loyal devotion to the central theme of his life whether in calling upon officials or in public address or in written pages. His ambition to have all people understand what Christianity really is hence his title to this collection of essays is "Making Plain the Way." It is a great thing to erect buildings, to organize work, to train men in service, and thus construct a community of useful and loyal Christian citizens. But we must all recognize the great value of expressing and interpreting the Truth in clear and unmistakable language so that generations away read and understand "the Truth that makes us free."

Robert M. Gailley

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近世學派有二一曰思想一曰物質皆
自稱無神派也寧知思想之最高
尚實純潔化無形為有形由形入
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之心中有盡而造物之運化無窮今
日見其有者來日或竟無之目所認
為無者事後忽又有之吾見二派費

明之新哲理矣新文化矣何一非
基督教二千年來言之不足而長
言之長言之不足而反復言之者哉
吾友仲君子夙基督徒也其文章
經術物理哲學皆名冠一時而於基
督之奧旨尤能於無形中探其本原
故所著名論早為士夫所推許惟其
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津青年會舊報中檢取數十
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僕系與編輯數年媿無可多
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得書弁首榮幸奚如世有重讀
者願於無字處形之可也為序

主曆一千九百廿年神誕日

長白王廷弼翰敘于津門法院



序言

宗教家不尚文字然推行宗教又非文字不可孔子之為萬世師者賴有古代六經之文字佛教西來非我國所本有而學子覃研弗飽者六朝名手之譯經而有力焉則文字之於宗教頗不重式基督教入中國百餘年矣而文學弗彰其經典以漸通俗故概為方言俚語印用文其亦牽於章句辭不達意讀者病之此所以傳教之時期不為不久而於我國人之精神間猶多隔闕其文字以通其郵也頃歲以來文字播道之呼聲愈唱愈高吾教宗之能文者漸出其手筆以為提倡余友仲子鳳先生學問淵懿尤擅文字平日所著作咸能以斧藻之詞發玄奧之理闡釋新知張皇道妙茲取其文稿一卷遠道見示

雖篇幅不多未獲快觀大全而當是一屬已是知味覺吾人所
夕所希望之文字播道殆非先生莫屬且先生年已躬自引為
責任如稿中所錄各篇皆是也異日全集告成風行海內使基
督教之光華昭回於東亞鄙人不敏猶當濡筆以俟再為
先生跋之詎誨范諱書時民國七年七月二十五日