

heart of Asia may be put in simultaneous pulse with the heart of America.

It is believed by some that when Asia shall have eaten of the fruit of the tree of modern knowledge, there shall arise a Yellow Peril, threatening the peace of the Caucasian world. That some disturbance of the present balance of things may be produced seems indeed not unlikely. But shall Industry be affrighted at the prospect of the birth of more coats, chairs, ploughs, and loaves in a world which ceases not to find that the appetites of men (white, black, and yellow) grow with feeding? And if we are really to be overwhelmed, is there not tariff and non-intercourse policy to keep us poor? Shall Morality be affrighted when mothers, all the world over, shall hear, each the other's common cry of pain and common speech of love? When Charity in one clime shall hear and answer the prayer of suffering in every other? When Honour shall find a mirror, now held up in East and now in West, its lineaments everywhere the same? Shall Letters be affrighted when through the magic of the printing-press the rich stores of temple and of monastery shall be spread broadcast to feed and inspire thousands of hungry minds? Shall Religion grow pale? Nay, whoever hath the truth, let him rejoice, for the way shall be open to the preacher as it never was in all our dream-haunted past! It remains that these yellow men, become gods even as we are, shall perhaps desire to possess us as we now possess others. They may enviously study our accomplished facts in India, Egypt, Manila, Algiers. They may dig up the history of the foretime dwel-