Among the best articles in the early volumes were those on political economy by Turgot and Quesnay. The foundations of this science had already been laid by Hume, who announced in 1752 the great principle, afterwards set forth by Franklin, demonstrated still later by Adam Smith, and since found very valuable for keeping up friendly intercourse between nations, namely that each gains in wealth by the productiveness of her neighbors, and that each impoverishes herself by taxing imports.

Frederic May Holland,

THE TEMPLE OF CONFUCIUS IN SHANGHAI.

The illustration accompanying the present note was intended for the article on Confucius, by Mr. Teitaro Suzuki, which appeared in the November *Open Court*.

The illustration was made from a beautiful engraving by Tyson. The part of the architecture of the temple here represented is the first portal of the entrance.

BUDDHIST MISSIONARIES OF JAPAN IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

Among the Japanese Buddhists the Shin-shu or "Sect of Truth" is the most powerful and influential. Its adherents are at the same time distinguished by great zeal. They were well represented at the Religious Parliament and sent out a number of leaflets and tracts in order that their doctrines might be presented in the true light.

We learn now that the West Hongwanji of the Shin-shu have decided to extend their missionary work to the United States of America. They have missionaries in Korea, China, the Malay Peninsula, the Hawaiian Islands, and other