The author of this letter is a scholar who is exceptionally well versed in Western civilisation. Not having permission to use his name, we omit his signature.
in the restoration of a single roadway in Pekin, he would have earned for himself the respect and gratitude of all. His mistakes, however, were due to his past education. Nevertheless, his influence over the literati in China and elsewhere could not be disputed, and for such practical measures as above indicated we must look to some other Peter the Great or perhaps Napoleon.

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Professor A. V Williams Jackson, the Zend-Avesta Scholar of Columbia University, New York, published in the January number of the Cosmopolitan an inter-

eresting illustrated article on Zarathushtra or Zoroaster, the prophet of Iran, born about 660 B. C. The canonical gospels tells us of the three Magi who came from the East to worship Christ and an apocryphal gospel adds the statement that they