## 1 | On China, Ropp. (63 - 70)

## 1.1 | Fall + aftermath of the Qing Empire (1800 - 1920)

- · European powers competing for world dom through trade and warfare
- · chinese trade sucked
  - British traders became frustrated
  - But they liked the chinese products alot and were buying alot of them
- · Merchants ranked low in confucian vlue system
- trade to the Qing gov was not for generationg wealth but rather more like a charity granted to the "barbarians"
  - In exchange, they would pay respects to the son of heaven and his court?
- · Led to bad trade conditions for the british merchants
- · denied british requests for better env, emporer said
  - standard emperor's command to his lowly subjects: "Tremblingly obey and show no negligence!"
  - fun.
- The emperor's condescending attitude reflected how little he under stood the power realities
  of the world at the end of the eighteenth cen- tury.
- Opium got added to the mix,
  - changed the flow from basicly soley china -> britin (tea) to britin -> chin (opium)
- Opium addiction went crazy
- · Totally killed trade surplus
- Chinese gov destroyed a bunch of opium, britian sent warships
- Totally chrushed chinese forces
- led to the british taking control over the policies, and increased opium trade a bunch
- bunch of rebelions occured, see pg. 66.5
- · Japan beat the Qing in a war, got taiwan?
  - Becuase of this, other governments backed off on China out of fear that it would collapse
- · Also led to (lots of) civil unrest
- · Heavy westernization occured
- reformers got crushed, conservatives seized control of the court
- · bunch o' dates and stuff about revolutionaries
- Look how it ended on pg. 70!

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