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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

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