

How far west? As far as Greece, as far as Italy? As far as England? As far the U.S.? He doesn't say. But these from the east. How far east? These from the land of Sinim. And there is a very interesting thing. That, at the time when this was written there was a certain amount of commerce going over land, across Asia, clear across for thousands of miles. Some of you perhaps have read the book, 'The Chalice of4 $\frac{1}{2}$, some thing like that, some kind of a chalice, anyway. Silver Chalice, it is ~~a~~ book written by a man named Costain (?), which a good historical novelist who wrote it fairly recently, and he describes the4 3/4.... at the time of Nero, of a man who is in Jerusalem when Paul was made prisoner, and then goes to Rome and sees Nero, and it is a very interesting picture...5... I saw a review of it recently in a newspaper, where it said the man was giving a very thrilling story, but had much more idea of making things interesting than enetering into the religious thoughts and aspirations of the people of ancient times. Now, I think it is a wonderful picture of the zeal and attitude of the early Christians, though the thing I think this man must object to is the way he presents the zealots, the ones who opposed Paul, in a rather bad light. And maybe that's why the review didn't like it, I don't know. But in the book it teels of this man coming from Jerusalem, going up to5 3/4....., and as he travels north, there is a Chinese gentleman who is6..... .visit to that area, as he travels north, and asked if he may go with them, he with his number of servants...6... travel with ~~he~~ them for greater safety, and I don't think much of us think of there being much intercourse over so long a period from China, and Palestine in that very early day, but I do not think as far as I know that Costain is contrary to possibility in the picture , beaause there would seem to have ~~been~~ been a certain amount of overland travel between China and Egypt, even as early, I think, as 1000 B.C. And the earli~~e~~st Chinese writing seems to be modeled upon the earliest writing we find in Mesopotamia, which seems to be the place where writing actually started. And although it developed in a different direction very rapidly, it seem~~s~~s to have started in a way that would seem to have gotten the idea from the writing of Mesopotamia about 3000 b.c. Well,