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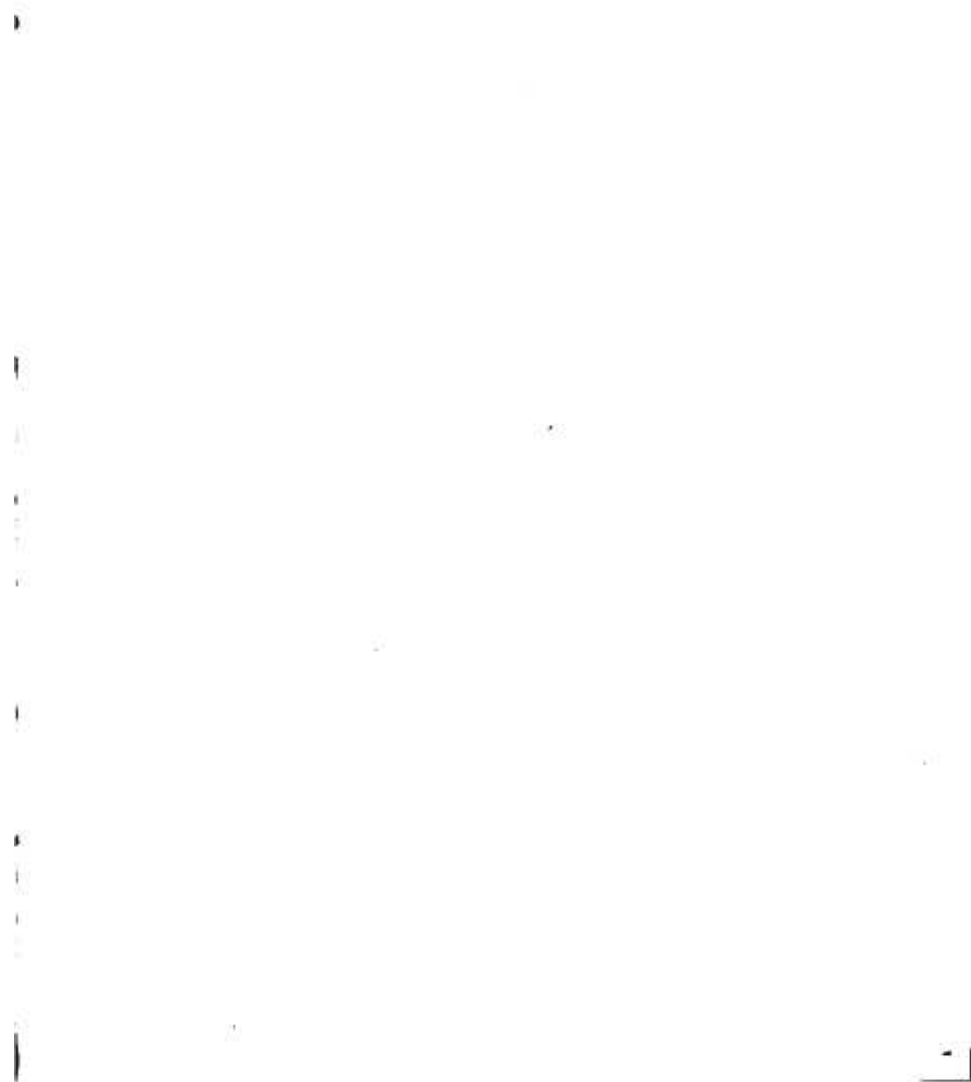
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INTRODUCTION

THE following pages are designed to convey to the English reader a familiar view of the men who made Chinese history during the earlier ages of the Yellow Empire.

As to the construction of the present work I may say that although the body of it has been extracted from the book known as the Historical Classic (*Shu King*), much of the detail is due to the Mirror of Chinese History. The Classic compiled by Confucius from the records of the Chow Dynasty contains only detached records of the chief historical incidents in the reigns of some seventeen rulers of the Middle Kingdom (*Chung Kwo*), of which two, Yaou and Shun, belong to the Patriarchal Dynasty, five to the Hia