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## The Last Days of an Empire (Paperback)

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Createspace, United States, 2011. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Description At the end of twentieth century, the world witnessed China's rise as a global power. Some alleged that the twenty-first century would be the Chinese Century. However, few realized that barely one hundred years ago, China suffered the lowest point in her history. In the late nineteenth century, foreign powers dominated China. The only reason that China escaped the fate of being a colony was her sheer size, and the US intervention. By 1900, when other Western Powers were about to divide China, the United States felt her interest in Asia was at stake, and interfered by proposing an Open Door Policy for China based on the spirit of the Monroe Doctrine. Under the US interference, China maintained her independence. However, the independence was in the name only. The foreign powers were free to negotiate their interest in China without consulting China. Who was responsible for China's demise? Is it entirely the fault of Western power invasion? China had multiple chances to reform herself just as Japan did. During the nineteenth century, while the Europe...



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