

When “abundance is a fault”

The Manchu Script and the Search
for Pedagogical Simplicity
in China and Europe, 1670–1738

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