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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Foreign Mission Study Book for this year is "Women Workers of the Orient," by Miss Margaret E. Burton. It is said to be written in a most entertaining style, and gives a thorough knowledge of women of the East in home, factory and school; shows them as leaders; shows them as seekers, shows them in need of training and Christian training. It will by its subject-matter command attention and interest, and many Circles will probably want it as soon as possible. Announcement will shortly be made as to where it can be obtained.

Britain has taken Jerusalem, and has met with much success in Palestine. That will bring justice in its train, but in the meantime there is much suffering. \$50,000 monthly is distributed among the needy, those in charge being the Field Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association. Clothing is gone, bread is not fit to be eaten, exiles are crowding in from Armenia, and misery is everywhere. War industries are being started, and the Relief Committees are offering to take contracts for army shirts, Red Cross supplies and mending socks.

The American College at Constantinople occupies what is probably a unique position to-day. When Ambassador Morgenthau was suddenly called away, he placed the two American Colleges under the personal care of Enver Pasha, who faithfully promised that no harm should come to them. Now, in a country at variance with the United States, is a Christian American College in full activity,—a student body of 300 and a faculty of 40. The student body is not so cosmopolitan as it used to be, as Roumanians and Serbs are no longer there, but most of the students are from Constantinople itself.

Argentina is growing more strict about Sunday than some of us might like. Recent legislation has been passed forbidding liquor to be sold for twenty-four hours, and ordering that bakeries and groceries must be closed at noon, but also that no hired help shall be permitted to work during any hour of the day.

It is interesting to know that the growing of peanuts was introduced into China by a missionary, and in his own lifetime and his own province the peasants were exporting 50,000 tons annually. The weaving of straw braids for hats was also introduced into Shantung by a missionary.