

From Far Formosa.

From Far Formosa : The Island, its People and Missions. By George Leslie Mackay, D.D. Fleming H. Revell Co. \$1.50. We have just received from the publishers a copy of this valuable book. The author needs no introduction to Canadian Presbyterians, nor does the book itself require commendation from us. It has achieved a great success, and is receiving the highest praise on every side. The Sunday School Times says of it: "The book is as fascinating as a novel, and is a striking contribution to our knowledge of 'Southern Japan.'"

Meetings of Presbyterian Societies.

HURON.—The eleventh annual meeting of the Huron Presbyterian, which was held in Seaforth on January 21st, was a very pleasant and profitable gathering. Large and appreciative audiences were present at all the meetings. Nearly every Auxiliary and Mission Band was well represented. The morning session was presided over by the President, Mrs. (Rev.) Colin Fletcher. The reports read by the different secretaries indicated a deep and growing interest in our Saviour's last command. Through the efforts of our indefatigable President, one Auxiliary, in Blake, and three Mission Bands have been added during the year: the "Willing Workers" Mission Band, Exeter, and "Lou Graham" Mission Band, Bayfield, named in remembrance of Miss Lucinda Graham, M.D., and the Gauld Mission Band, Kippen, designated in honor of Mrs. Gauld, of Formosa, who formerly belonged to that village. With one exception, every congregation within the bounds of the Presbytery is now represented by either an Auxiliary or Mission Band. The Huron Presbyterian comprises 14 Auxiliaries, with 330 local members, and 102 members of the General Society; also 9 Mission Bands, with a membership of over 400, and 18 members of the General Society. In addition to this there are some fifty Scattered Helpers, who have contributed \$30.83 to the funds of the Society. Four life members have also been added. The Auxiliaries raised \$1,134.39 for missionary purposes, and the Mission Bands, \$242.87, making a total of \$1,377.26, a slight advance on previous years. Thirteen hundred pounds of excellent clothing, valued at \$509.30, have been distributed among the Indians of the North-West; \$105 was also expended by the McGillivray Mission Band in boxes of presents for the home and foreign fields. As our Presbyterian expense fund is in a very flourishing condition, it was unanimously agreed that a surplus amount of \$50 be used in making life members of two of our lady missionaries, who were to be selected from the home and foreign field. 358 LETTER LEAFLETS are circulated monthly, and read with much interest. Larger sums have been raised at the Thank-offerings this year than ever before. The election of officers resulted as follows: Honorary President, Mrs. Thomas Fair, Clinton; President, Mrs. (Rev.) Colin Fletcher, Thames Road; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. (Rev.) James Hamilton, Leeburn; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Carlisle, Hensall; Secretary, Miss H. I. Graham, Seaforth, P.O.; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Scott, Seaforth; Secretary of Supplies, Miss McTaggart, Clinton; LEAFLET Secretary, Mrs. J. G. Wilson, Seaforth. A large number of ladies assembled in the church at two o'clock. The principal feature of this meeting was an able address from the gifted Presi-