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Field Notes.

DURING an interesting debate which followed the report of the Temperance Committee, at the Newfoundland Conference, the use of tobacco was very freely discussed. Many strong points were made against the habit, among which we quote the following, made by the Hon. J. J. Rogerson: "We spend in this colony \$250,000 per year in tobacco. Mr. President, *there's your quarter of a million for missions!*" He also said that there was not known to be even a nominal Methodist throughout the whole island who sells intoxicating liquors, but unfortunately very many both sell and use tobacco in abundance and don't seem to think there is any harm in it. Several of the brethren reported very blessed anti-tobacco revivals of the same kind, such as shall reach to the utmost parts of our work, for the tobacco habit is to our Methodist people in this country a far greater evil than the drink habit.

REV. JAMES AND MRS. ENDICOTT called at the Mission Rooms en route for China. Brother Endicott with Dr. Hare are being sent out as reinforcements for the work now being carried on by Rev. Dr. Hart and party. It is expected that our missionaries will sail on the 28th of August by the steamship *Empress of Japan*.

REV. R. B. BEAVIS, who has been attending Victoria College during the past year, writes from Bella Bella, British Columbia: "We arrived here safely on the 6th of July, after a very pleasant trip across the continent. Found the people in good spirits, and lots of work to do on the new church and grounds."

OUR brother and sister, Rev. W. P. and Mrs. McHaffie, of Fisher River, have sustained a severe loss in the death of their only child, George Roy, aged thirteen months. May the consolation of the God of all comfort be theirs in this time of sadness and loneliness while laboring in their distant field on Lake Winnipeg.

IN "Notes and Comments" on the Cleveland Convention, *Epworth Herald* says: "Dr. W. H. Withrow was a winning presiding officer. On Saturday morning he reminded us it was 'Dominion Day' in Canada. The word 'dominion' arose from a religious source, and was applied because our sister country seemed to fit the words in Psa. lxxii. 8, 'He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends

of the earth.' He asked the audience to sing 'America,' and then in the same tune a verse of 'God Save the Queen.' My! didn't we sing!"

THERE are many who contend that the Chinaman lacks stability in regard to his Christian character. The following would seem to indicate quite the reverse: "Of the Chinese converts on the Pacific coast, gathered by the Methodist Mission, ninety per cent. remain faithful, notwithstanding the persecution they receive. They average \$5 per member annually for missions, beside contributing to other benevolent objects."

PRESIDENT CLARK, in his opening address before the Christian Endeavor Convention, took for his subject, "Large Things for the Year to Come." He urged three things, the second being "a more practical exemplification of the missionary spirit. He stated that his journey of nearly forty thousand miles was undertaken to kindle our missionary zeal into a brighter blaze and to increase many fold our gifts to missions."

THE *Epworth Herald* for July will be intensely interesting to all League members on account of the full reports it contains of the Epworth League Convention, held in Cleveland. There are also no less than thirty cuts of prominent men who took part during the sessions.

OUR thanks are due the Editor of the *Montreal Witness* for a complete report of the Christian Endeavor Convention, which was published in the *Witness* from day to day during the sessions of the Convention. This report we can recommend to our readers as being both full and accurate.

THE *Methodist Review of Missions* for July came to our table, and as the dress was not at all familiar we at once began to inspect this new visitor, which we found was to take the place of the *Missionary Reporter*, published by the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The *Reporter* did good service in the past, and we doubt not that the *Methodist Review of Missions*, with its enlarged space and broader scope, will do infinitely better work for Christ and the world. With such editors as the Revs. I. G. John, Missionary Secretary, and W. R. Lambuth, the *Review* has the promise of a bright and useful future. Address, Rev. I. G. John, Nashville, Tenn. Price, \$1.00 per annum.