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## *Field Notes.*

OUR Chinese work on the Pacific Coast is daily growing brighter and more encouraging. Bro. Robson writes from Vancouver:—"The Chinese are a good deal interested in our new missionary (Mr. Ch-an Sing Kai). On Sunday evening, November 11th, one hundred were present, but as the school-room will not hold more than sixty, closely packed, I had to take a larger room in the centre of China Town and in the evening 213 persons were present. We cannot have the room longer than the end of this month, and we expect to hold evangelistic services every evening while we have it. The Chinese are attentive, and our Christian 'boys' are on hand to sing and help generally. They cheerfully suspended the school for two weeks, in order to do this aggressive work. I believe we shall have some of these people converted soon, as the Word seems to impress them deeply. We are fortunate in having a first-class interpreter, Mr. W. A. Cum Yow, and a very earnest Christian Chinese from Portland, Oregon, Mr. Lee Kee, who assists very much; also a Mr. Kim, merchant of San Francisco, who has been a Methodist for fourteen years. These, with our mission 'boys,' make quite a 'battery,' whose guns we are turning upon the enemy. These 'aids' have brought in scores to the services from the gambling dens, opium joints, and the streets."

THE Rev. Thos. Crosby, of Port Simpson, and Rev. John McLean, B.A., of Blood Reserve, Fort McLeod, expect to visit Ontario during the coming winter. Mrs. Crosby has been here for the last four or five weeks, and will remain until Mr. Crosby returns to his work. Mr. McLean has prepared several lectures relating to the Indian tribes of the North-West, which will, we have no doubt, be pleasing and instructive. Mr. McLean is desirous of raising a little money to furnish a new school-house, which is soon to be built on the Reserve, and will be pleased to hear from any of the brethren desiring his services.

WE give a short paragraph from a letter of the Rev. J. E. Starr, Victoria, B.C.:—"Last Sabbath I got my collection, \$4,250 cash; has since run up to \$4,500, and I believe will go \$5,000. The people gave willingly, and the service was an inspiration. Far better

than a bazaar." Yes, brother, we fully agree with you, that such giving is healthier and more scriptural than a bazaar, or any other side-show.

THERE is hope for our French work in more directions than one. Says the Chairman of the Waterloo District:—"Missionary meetings on the French missions this year show marked improvement. I am confident that the work will come up yet. Roxton Pond proposes to raise more than three times as much as last year." We regard this as one of the results of merging the work in the English districts.

THE Rev. J. Woodsworth, Superintendent of Missions in the North-West, expects to be in Ontario during the months of January, February and March, and will be open for engagements for missionary work.

*Medical Work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Episcopal Church.* By MRS. J. T. GRACEY. Boston: Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Episcopal Church. An interesting volume of some 250 pages, giving an account of the medical work of the above Society. Cloth, 50 cents; paper, 30 cents.

In the present number will be found a programme for Mission Band entertainments, prepared by the talented editress of the Woman's Work Department. It is admirably adapted for its purpose, and combines fulness of information with a deeply devotional spirit. We will be glad to hear from those Bands who make use of this exercise.

WE quote the following from a note of the Rev. W. Craig, of Inkerman, which needs neither note nor comment:—"The twenty-five missionary boxes you sent me last year did good service, and were so well taken care of that I am using them again this year, and there is a demand for more. Please send me twelve, and oblige. We are being favored with a marvellous out-pouring of God's Spirit on this field this year. We have a prayer-meeting each month on behalf of missions. I preach to the children once a quarter on Christian missions, and take a collection. I believe if the Christian people of this Dominion would do their duty toward the heathen, God would give the old-time Pentecostal power, and there would be added to the Church daily such as are being saved."