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Field Notes.

BY the time this number of the OUTLOOK reaches our subscribers the Annual Reports for the past year will have been shipped to all those entitled to receive them. A vast number of packages have been sent by mail, many more by express; while in other instances a case containing packages for an entire District have been sent to the Chairman. Enquire of the Chairman or at the nearest express office, and if your parcel has not come to hand write at once to the Mission Rooms.

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BEFORE leaving the Province, our missionaries for China had a photograph of the party taken, which all who have seen it, pronounce to be very fine. We hope in our next issue to give a photo-gravure of this group, as, we doubt not, there are many of our readers who, not having the pleasure of meeting these missionaries to China, will be pleased to have at least a photographic acquaintance with them.

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To our friends everywhere we send an earnest reminder: Do not forget the special needs of the China Mission this year. There are at least \$2,500 of preliminary expenses yet to be made up from sources outside of ordinary income. Thank-offerings and special donations for China will be gladly received.

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THE Rev. Drs. Potts and Sutherland were appointed by the General Board of Missions to visit the Board of the Woman's Missionary Society during its Session to be held in Toronto, and present the greetings of the parent Board; also to consult regarding any matters requiring joint action. The instructions of the Board were carried out on Thursday, 22nd October, the first day of the Board meeting.

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THAT the grace of God, and the convincing and converting power of that Holy Spirit is not confined to times or places is manifest by the fact that in the British Columbia penitentiary there are seven Chinamen awaiting baptism.

BROTHER ROBSON writes:—"I baptized the first Japanese (for British Columbia) in Vancouver, on the 27th of September. He has been attending our Chinese Mission during the past three years."

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THE *Methodist Magazine* for November gives us the following varied and attractive table of contents: "The Mount Pilatus Railway, by A. Blackwood; Christopher Columbus; Bunhill Fields—God's Acre, by D. Davies Moore, A.M.; Women and their Work in Methodism, by Rev. F. W. Bourne; Scotland's Influence on Civilization, by John Elder, Esq.; The Machinery of the Heavens Running Down, by Professor Winchell; The Last of John Wesley's Journal, by the Rev. Carl F. Eltzholtz; Rex Macarthy, by Mrs. Amelia E. Barr; Farmer Holroyd's Harvest Supper, by J. Jackson Wray; 'God's Englishmen'; Alleged Progress in Theology, by Samuel T. Spear; Religious Doubt and Modern Poetry, by Rev. W. J. Dawson; Mission Work in London, by Rev. W. S. Blackstock; Current Topics and Events; Religious and Missionary Intelligence, by Rev. E. Barrass, D.D." Published at the Methodist Book Room, Wesley Buildings, Toronto. Price \$2 per annum.

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THE *Missionary Review of the World* for November contains an unusually large and varied Department of Missionary Literature, comprising over a dozen articles by well-known writers on topics of current interest. The recent outrages upon Missionaries in China renders peculiarly timely Dr. J. T. Gracey's exposition, in the International Department (edited by him), of "The Causes of the Disturbances in China," and of "The Chinese Government's Relations to Christian Workers." The Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Arthur T. Pierson, sailed for England on October 15th to fill the pulpit of Mr. Spurgeon until the latter's recovery. Dr. Pierson will still have charge of the *Review*, and direct its management from London. Published by Funk & Wagnalls Company, New York, and Bay Street, Toronto, \$2 per year; 25 cents for single numbers. In clubs of ten, \$1.50.

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THURSDAY, 12th November, has been set apart as a day of general Thanksgiving. The custom of appointing an annual thanksgiving originated in New England.