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6. The sixth part of the document concludes with a summary of the main points and a final statement on the importance of ongoing monitoring and evaluation.



## PREFATORY NOTE.

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THIS little book is an attempt to carry out a suggestion made at the Liverpool Conference by the Rev. Dr. Mullens, now Joint-Secretary of the London Missionary Society, to the effect that "every Missionary Society should have prepared, and be able to put into the hands of every new Missionary, a brief MANUAL of the language, customs, notions, and religious ideas of the province or country to which he is going; including a few rules or hints respecting climate, dress, health, food, &c.;"—also, "a statement of the labours carried on by the brethren whom he will join." The language of China, however, was felt to be too large a subject to be treated in so small a space, and it has therefore been omitted.

But it is hoped that the work may interest a wider circle, including some who complain of the dryness of Missionary intelligence, and who, in the language of a leading journal not long ago, are supposed to be exclaiming: "Tell us what is done. How many converts have you made? What sort of men were they? What sort of men are they now? Describe this new off-shoot of the Primitive Church planted and thriving in a new soil." A reply to this challenge is attempted in the following narrative of facts.

*March, 1866.*

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