FROM MISSIONARY FIELDS.

Letters from Palestine.

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To the Editor:

The country around the ancient city of Jerusalem is a hard looking land in whichever way you will, and the country shows great volcanic troubles covered thickly over the ground. Here and there a field or a patch, only of a few rods, is fit for cultivation, but the map of the tribe of Judah are covered with those great wonders and very wild cliffs. The first impression this country makes on a person ignorant of the country is that it is now too good for the miserable Arabs who inhabit it. They do not and their nature seems to have become so congenerable to the rocks of the hills. This view of the matter will do for those who have no interest in the land beyond seeing it and visiting its shrines, and then, by telling to what sorry in them a lovely and more favored country. But this is another matter, and I will speak of it shortly. All who believe in the Bible know that it was once a choice land and much blessed of the Lord. And nevertheless are that it was more so than it now. The land must have passed some thousands and another factors, or Abraham and Lot, and Jacob would have felt as pleased with the gift the Lord bestowed on them. Hence the sale of Job was a happy one, and he lived as a king on Mt. Nebo, where the Lord showed him the whole land. Safety the land did possess great riches in the treasures which it so perfectly, and more so in the treasures