

the late W. J. Rattray, may be mentioned among works of general biography.

The history hidden away in pamphlets might form the subject of a long article. For information on the progress of industry, commerce, banking, the development of canals, railroads and steam navigation, on the advance of education* and the evolution of the system now in vogue, on the intellectual movement as indicated by our progress in literature, science and art, on the application of scientific methods for the development of our vast and varied resources, we must look in many directions.

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Notes.

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1.

A notice of a curious addition to early Canadian journalism came recently under the writer's notice; it was quoted as "the first number of a rude Backwoods Newspaper, issued at Miramichi, N.B., in 1825." It is 8vo. in size, and of four pages. The editor finds that he has only type to print two and three-quarter pages, and apologises to his subscribers, bidding them wait and see what he can do in October. He dates his letter May. This sheet is a literary curiosity.

2.

The subject of the expulsion of the Acadians has attracted so much attention from the students of the history of the Eastern Provinces, that many other interesting events in that section in the last century have not received the attention that they deserve, except from local writers. The settlement and early history of Halifax—the large German immigration into Nova Scotia—the lingering struggle between France and England along the New Brunswick