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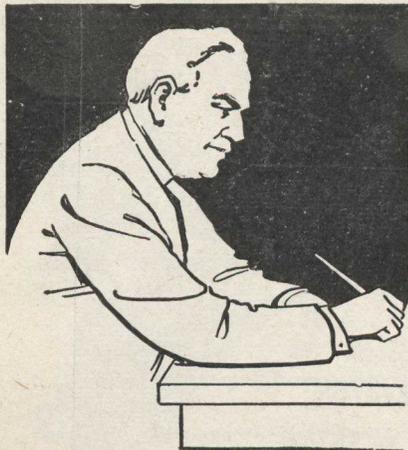
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## Editor's Talk

NEXT week the "Canadian Courier" will publish its annual Book Number, with a review of the books of the year. Two of Canada's leading booksellers, one in Toronto and one in Montreal, will give a view of the book-buyers from the other side of the counter. The staff writers of the "Canadian Courier" will give special attention to the books which every person in the Dominion should know best—the books written by Canadians about Canada.

We shall shortly begin a series of eight articles by distinguished British writers, entitled, "Men We Meet." These will include "The Snob," by John Foster Fraser; "Men I Avoid," by Ashley Sterne; "The Aristocrat," by Sir George Douglas; and others. While written primarily for English readers, they are equally suitable for Canadian consumption. The series should prove immensely popular with our readers.

Short stories are still in demand in this office. Not the ordinary sentimental story, but real tales of real Canadian life. The stories should be light and breezy and yet have some value as interpretations of the life of the people as it really is. Tragedy and melodrama are banned. There is much that is joyful and constructive in our life which should attract the genius of our short-story writers.

The Christmas Number is assuming shape and will be a notable issue. A new serial story has been arranged for and will be announced shortly. It will be even more entertaining and instructive than the serials we have been running, although these have been highly praised, from time to time, by our many friends from coast to coast.



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