

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

IMPORTANT CANADIAN BOOK.

AN announcement that will create wide-spread interest in the realm of books, especially in Canada, is that a new work from the pen of Lieut.-Col. George T. Denison, President of the British Empire League, is being got ready for the press.

The publishers, Messrs. Geo. N. Morang & Co., announce that Lieut.-Col. Denison has completed the manuscript of a book of an autobiographical character, and that it will appear during the present year. The gallant colonel's long connection with military affairs in Canada, and the accumulation of much valuable material, has led him to embody in the form of a personal narrative his intimate knowledge of the Canadian volunteer force during the past 40 years. The book, in fact, is a faithful record of the military side of Lieut.-Col. Denison's life, which has been full of incident and varied experience.

It is some years since he made a reputation both as a writer and a military authority by his previous works, "Modern Cavalry" and "A History of Cavalry." The latter received the prize offered by the Russian Government, and has been translated into Russian, German, French and other languages, and is still a standard authority in Europe among military students. Lieut.-Col. Denison has played an important part in Canadian military affairs. He served as the senior cavalry officer in the Fenian Raid of 1866 and the Northwest Rebellion of 1885, and a good deal of the inner history of these campaigns is said to be embodied in his new book. His residence in Russia during the period when "A History of Cavalry" was being translated into Russian, and when he was presented to the Czar and made the acquaintance of several Russian notabilities, also come into the narrative.

The book is essentially an autobiography, and is said to be full of anecdote and reminiscence, related in Lieut.-Col. Denison's inimitable style. His association with many British officers, some of whom are still living, provides some lively reminiscences, and the portions relating to visits to England are likely to arouse considerable interest both there and in Canada. The book will be published in London, Eng., as well as in Canada. Probably no Canadian work of recent years will excite so much interest, not only among those connected with the Canadian militia, but among those who are aware of the part played by the colonel in the Imperial movement in this country, and, as he is a fearless critic, it is possible that considerable controversy may arise out of some of the revelations which are said to be embodied in the

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LIEUT.-COL. GEORGE T. DENISON.

Author of "A History of Cavalry," etc., whose military autobiography is about to be published.

narrative. Its publication by Morang & Co. is likely to be an event in the Canadian book world.

The fact that "Mr. Dooley" struck a universal note when he wrote his two inimitable books is evident not only from the sale of "Mr. Dooley in Peace and in War" and "Mr. Dooley in the Hearts of His Countrymen," but by the crop of imitators who have begun to send in their productions to long-suffering publishers, and occasionally to get them inserted in country journals in

need of something to fill up space. It is also shown by the evidently sincere and favorable reviews which have appeared on both sides of the Atlantic, while the enthusiasm that has been aroused of late, for the Irish race, has again afforded a stimulating atmosphere for the circulation of these works of humor. We note that Morang & Co. produce the latest edition of both at \$1 in cloth, and 50c. in paper.

The Canadian edition of William Wilfred Campbell's latest book, "Beyond the Hills of Dream," produced by Morang & Co., is daintily put out of hand, the book being bound in yellow cloth, with a suitable pastoral design on the cover. The work has been favorably reviewed in both the United States and England, and will have a continuous sale from now until the fall season, which is, on the whole, better adapted for books of this kind.

The interesting novel by the Misses R. and K. M. Lizars, which has been taken up for England by Greening & Co., of London, is now in the press and will be produced in an attractive Canadian edition by Morang & Co. We predict for this book a considerable success on both sides of the water, for it has not only abounding humor, but deep insight into character and plenty of local color. The writers wield a keen pen and hit off very happily the characteristics of various inhabitants of a county town in Ontario. The story element is not wanting, and some of the delineations are masterly. It will be out in June, in cloth at \$1.

The publication of a new book by Elizabeth Thorneycroft Fowler cannot but be regarded as an event in the literary world. This clever writer has shown in her previous works an ability and a comprehensive view of life which are exceedingly rare in the works of novelists in the present day. Her insight into character is great, her wit and humor are simply abounding, she makes her personages simply move before us at will, utter whimsicalities or wisdom, and conduct themselves just as they would if they were alive. The new novel, for which Morang & Co. have secured Canadian rights, is entitled "The Farringdons," and is a long way ahead of anything Miss Fowler has yet done. Elizabeth Farringdon, the heroine of the book, is certainly Miss Fowler's greatest success, and the vicissitudes through which the young lady passes are most interesting. There is more depth of meaning in some of the pages of this book than in many a dozen of the trashy novels that flood the market, and as it treats of Methodism in the Old Country and paints it to the life, it is a book that every good Methodist should buy, but the author by no means confines herself to