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Hand-book for the Dominion of Canada. By S. E. DAWSON. Pp. 335, with maps. Montreal: Dawson Bros.

While this book was specially prepared for the visiting members of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, it will be found an excellent manual of information and guide-book for travel for all tourists as well as for stay-at-home travellers. It gives a succinct general statement as to the extent, population, commerce, public works, etc., of the Dominion. Then follow detailed descriptions of each province, their principal towns, cities and places of interest, routes of travel and the like—just the information that tourists need. We think, however, that scant justice has been done Ontario and Toronto, which do not get the space they are entitled to, although, of course, Montreal, as the place of meeting of the Association, receives very full treatment. The book is a handy volume in flexible covers, with good railway maps in a pocket—quite in the style of the continental Bædekers.

Salt Lake Fruit, a Latter-Day Romance. By AN AMERICAN. 8vo., pp. 328. Boston: Rand Avery & Co.

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