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throughout Canada can be expected at the moment the great obligations al-

Mr. Lake (Qu'Appelle) said he is that it was only to test few weeks of the see-

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HISTORY OF CANADA

(Prepared by George Johnson, F. S. S. under the direction of the Hon. E. S. Sydney A. Fisher, Dominion Minister of Agriculture.)

There are three periods into which Canadian history may be divided, the first covering the discovery and exploration of the country; the second its occupation and settlement by the French; and the third its development as part of the British Empire.

The Norse Sagas have been recognized in recent years as possessed of undoubted value as historical works. The narratives which tell us of Vinland and of Leif Eric's son are closely intertwined with the authentic history of Norway and Iceland. From these Sagas of the tenth and eleventh century comes the record of the earliest voyages of discovery on the North-Eastern shores of this Continent.

Naturally there was much speculation about the unknown land Bjarn had seen, and some years after, Leif, the son of Eric, sailed in the summer time of the year 1000 southward bound, and came to a barren land plentifully covered with flat rock.

The practical results of the early voyages of discovery were of little value. The facts were in the Sagas; but Southern Europe having little or no communication with the countries in the north never learned of the existence of the new Continent.

From that time onward the rich fisheries of the Newfoundland Banks and the shores of the Gulf became the magnet drawing the hardy Breton, Basque, Norman and west of England fisherman to our coast.

Adam's will bequeathing that vast inheritance to them. Under his direction, therefore, in 1492, Verazzano, a Florentine, was sent forth. He ranged the coast from Florida to 50 north latitude, and annexed on behalf of France the entire region previously explored by the Cabots, designating it "New France."

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Learning from the natives of the existence of a great river leading so far up into the interior that "no man had ever traced it to its source," he sailed up the gulf of St. Lawrence until he could see land on either side.

Continuing up the noble stream, he came on September 7th to a fertile, vine-clad island which he named the Isle of Bacchus. It is now the Island of Orleans. Here Donnacona, the Sachem of the Algonquin nation, made him a state visit, accompanied by no less than 500 followers.

After three days of pleasant intercourse, Cartier returned to Stadacona and wintered there, his little force suffering severely from insufficient food and inadequate clothing, being also plagued with scurvy of a malignant type, whose violence neither processions, vows, nor litanies availed to stay.

Five years elapsed before Cartier returned to Canada as Captain General and Master Pilot. Associated with him was the Sieur de Roberval, whom the French monarch had created Lieutenant-General and Viceroy of his newly-acquired possessions.

HEALTH AND HYGIENE.

(By H. M. Speechly, M.R.C.S., Eng., L.R.C.P., Lond.)

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regard to consumption in such a manner as to make plain to the non-medical mind the reasons why tuberculosis affecting the lungs is such a peril to public health.

catch it unless by chance their resistance to this infection is so lowered by disease of body and mind that they then fall a prey to the bacilli in question.

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