

and to bring into view the certainty of the promises of God; and there is added a speculative glance in the glories of the future.

There is much of human interest, and at times a vein of sublimity in the book, and it is a timely message to young inquirers.

*By Canoe and Dog-Train Among the Cree and Salteaux Indians.* By EGERTON RYERSON YOUNG, Missionary. Pp. 367. Illustrated. Toronto: William Briggs. Price \$1.00.

The Rev. Egerton Ryerson Young has little need of an introduction to the Canadian public. We have heard and read his stirring stories of missionary trial and triumph till our hearts have thrilled within us and we have rejoiced in the trophies of the Gospel of Christ. We are glad that in the providence of God he has been called to recount these *gesta Christi*—these achievements of Christ—in the fatherland whence came the first Methodist missionaries to the Indian tribes of our great North-West. This book recalls the heroic days of those pioneer missionaries. And not a whit behind them was our brother who followed in their footsteps and endured hardships and privations even greater than their's. We remember how our blood stirred as we read in the *Guardian* years ago the account of his perils in the wilderness, and he concluded his narrative with the characteristic remark, "nevertheless I think this mission the best in the whole world." That sentence is the key-word of this book. It voices his spirit of consecration and of rejoicing that he was permitted to do and dare and suffer for the cause of his Divine Master; and to help to lay, broad, and deep and stable, the foundations of empire in the Great Lone Land of far north-western Canada.

This book, while of intense interest to the people of the Old Land, will have still greater interest to the people of Canada. We know the man; we know his work; we know something of the country in which he laboured, and of the tribes whom

he helped to raise from pagan savagery to Christian civilization. All these give it patriotic interest to us that it cannot have to others. The fascinating narrative, the tales of "hair-breadth 'scapes" by land and by water, in winter's frost and summer's heat, the accounts of the triumphs of grace in the Indian's wigwam, and of the fidelity in the faith of the red sons of the forest, will thrill our hearts with missionary enthusiasm. The admirable printing and illustration of the volume will make it as attractive to young as to the old. We bespeak for it a place in every Sunday-school library and at many a domestic fireside.

*Selected Sermons and Lectures.* By the late WILLIAM STEPHENSON. With portrait. Pp. 192. Toronto: William Briggs. Price 75 cents.

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*Noon-Day Addresses Delivered in the Central Hall, Manchester.* By the REV. W. L. WATKINSON. London: C. W. Kelley. Toronto: William Briggs. Price 35 cents.

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