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Leave Napanee at 2.20 a.m., 3.30 a.m., 6.30 a.m., 6.35 p.m., 7.55 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12.05 p.m., 1.20 p.m., 11.00 a.m., 4.30 p.m., 6.50 p.m., 8.15 p.m.

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## Literary Notes

THE seventh transaction of the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto has recently been published, consisting of an epitome of the Life and Letters of the Right Honourable Charles Poulett Thomson, G.C.B., Baron Sydenham of Sydenham, Kent and Toronto, Canada, and also extracts from an original MS. Memoir of Captain Freer, A.D.C. to H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, and Military Secretary during the War of 1812. The compilation of the first part of the transaction is effectively done by Mrs. Gordon Mackenzie, the niece of Lord Sydenham. The letters have a genuine piquant interest, as may be judged from this extract from a letter from Toronto, dated December 3rd, 1839:

"I opened my Parliament to-day and really the matter was very creditably conducted. The Toronto Dragoons (Governor-General's Body Guard) are not quite equal to the Life Guards, and Arthur's coach (for I did not bring my equipages up here) not quite as smart as Her Majesty's, but I flatter myself that I looked very regal on the throne with my cocked hat on, and the hall of the Legislative Council beats the House of Lords hollow. We had all the Toronto ladies and heaps of fair Americans who came over for the sight; and the Commons made as much noise and looked as dirty as they do in Westminster. So upon the whole I think my Provincial Parliament quite as good as the old one. The worst part of the thing to me individually is the ceremonial. The bore of this is unspeakable. Fancy having to stand for an hour and a half bowing, and then to sit with one's cocked hat on to receive addresses. Poor Royalty! I learn to feel for it. Then the misery of always being on parade."

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"At the Sign of the Beaver" is the very patriotic title of a collection of "Northland Stories and Stanzas" by Samuel Mathewson Baylis, whose first volume was entitled "Camp and Lamp." Both stories and poems have an original, vigorous note which makes the volume of more than passing interest. There is more of the picturesque than most modern fiction affords us in the prospect over which the "Cure" glanced as his gaze swept "Back again up the South Shore, from Rougemont's peak to the crest of St. Hilaire in the middle distance, past the mountain tops that cut the horizon in the far South, over the forest of green that divides the waters of the Great River." The author is as unconventional as the tumbling rapids in the background of his stories and the reader is correspondingly curious and grateful. "The Honour of His Company" is a stirring poem of the North, which ends with the spirited lines:

"Still White and Red in Lodge and Fort,  
clasping a brother-hand,  
Vow fealty to the olden pact and pledge  
"The Company."

The sonnets, especially the "cipher" numbers, are not so individual in style as the other features of the book and lack in spontaneity. The volume is attractive in cover design and type. (Toronto: William Briggs.)

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Canadian stories for boys are sadly needed. The Briggs publishing house will bring out at an early date a book for boys which should be worth a dollar or more. Mr. Archie P. McKishnie has written a story, "Gaff Linkum," which tells the adventures of an Ontario boy who lived on Lake Erie, a district where ducks abound and make the autumn a joy to young sportsmen.

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Mr. Frank Yeigh has compiled a unique booklet entitled "Five Thousand Facts About Canada," which deals with everything Canadian, from "area" to "Yukon." It is, indeed, a revelation of the prosperity and prospects of the Dominion. The statistical information is up to date and the "facts" are attractively and conveniently arranged.

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