

her language, enjoying her literature, her institutions of civil and religious liberty, and; in spite of her faults and the calumnies of her detractors, become more than any other nation a blessing to her own race and to all the peoples of the world."

The admirable coloured map of the Dominion, which accompanies it, is alone worth the price of the pamphlet. The above notice was written before the tragic death of Mr. Wilkes, to which we refer elsewhere.

*Neville Trueman, the Pioneer Preacher: A Tale of the War of 1812.* By the Rev. W. H. WITHROW, M.A. Pp. 244. Wm. Briggs, Toronto, and Methodist Book-Rooms. Price 75 cents.

The first requisite of an intelligent patriotism is an acquaintance with the more striking events in the history of one's country. To furnish the means of forming such an acquaintance and to teach important moral lessons, was the author's object in writing this story. He has endeavoured, as he states in the preface, to present certain phases of Canadian life during the heroic struggle against foreign invasion in which the fathers and founders of Canada bore so brave a part. It will be found, we think, that the Canadian Methodism of those troublous times was not less patriotic than pious. While our fathers feared God, they also honoured the King, and loved their country, and many of them died in its defence. Reverently let us mention their names; lightly let us tread upon their ashes; faithfully let us cherish their memory, and sedulously let us imitate their virtues.

A good deal of pains has been taken, by the careful study of the most authentic memoirs, documents and histories referring to the period, and by frequent conversations with some of the principal actors in the stirring drama of the time, to make the story as true and life-like as possible. It is hoped that it will circulate largely in our

Sunday-schools, that the young Canadians of to-day may learn the heroism and piety of their forefathers. It is hoped, too, that the narrative of the conversion of Zenas Drayton and of Captain Villiers may lead others in like manner to seek and find the Saviour, and that Canadian girls of the present generation will emulate the beauty of character and conduct of the fair Katharine Drayton. The account of the old-fashioned Quarterly Meeting and revival in wartime should have its lesson for all times. The Editor of "The Girl's Own Paper," published by the London Tract Society, has thought this book of sufficient merit to republish a copious extract from its pages, illustrated by engravings.

*China and Corea, Historical and Descriptive.* By CHARLES H. EDEN. London: Marcus Ward & Co., and Methodist Book-Room. Pp. 334; numerous illustrations. Price \$1 50.

This is the best compendious and popular account of China, with the teeming millions of its population, that we have seen. It records briefly its history, and describes the institutions and religion of the country, its manners and customs, festivals, great cities, literature, science and architecture. An Appendix gives a succinct account of the little known region of Corea. The engravings are numerous and admirable. But the book has one serious omission. It gives no account of Christian mission work in the Flowery Empire, the subject of greater interest to Christian readers than any other.

John Lovell, of Montreal, published on the 18th ult. his *Advanced Geography* for the use of Schools and Colleges, edited by a gentleman residing in Ontario. In its 148 pages will be found a large quantity of useful information relating to the countries of the world, embellished with 45 coloured maps and 210 illustrations. It will be on sale at the bookstores. Price \$1.50.