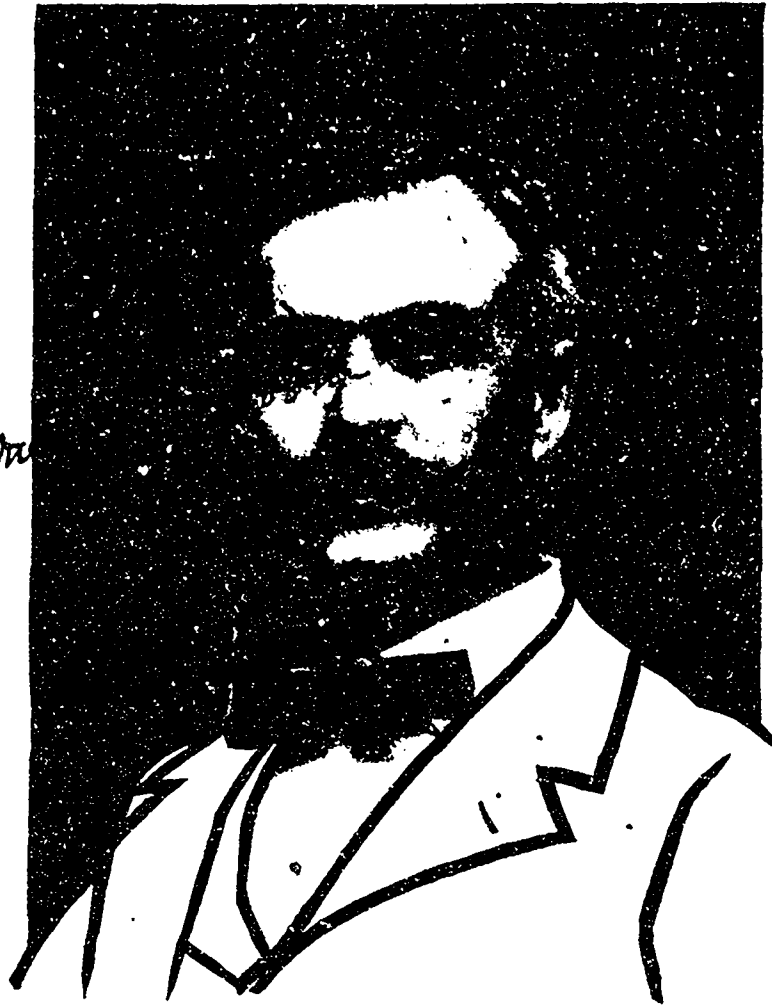


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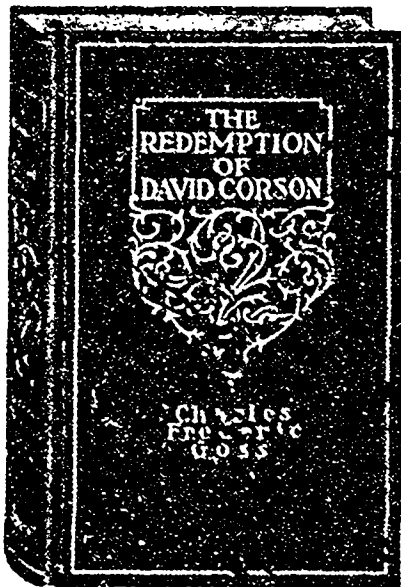
his essential attributes is to know what sort of shot the other side has in its locker. He consequently hails with gladness a book so judiciously imparted as that of Mr. Mills, while the admirable contents-table and index enable him to get at once to any particular phase of the African question he may wish to be informed upon. The book has been exceedingly well received by the trade and will be an exceedingly good seller at its modest price of \$1.50 for the whole of the year.

The announcement of Lieut.-Col. Denison's reminiscences of soldiering in Canada during 40 years has been received with considerable interest throughout the country, which shows that the gallant colonel has friends all over the Dominion. A perusal of some of the advance sheets of the volume enables us to say that this autobiographical work will be read with deep attention, and no doubt create a large amount of discussion, for, in straightforward and nervous English the author talks very freely of the conditions under which military activity in Canada is carried on. The very hearty welcome which Lieut.-Col. Denison recently received in England, when Lord Salisbury singled him out for such words of friendly appreciation as he rarely bestows on any living man, will no doubt add to the popularity of the work when it makes its appearance.

As was to be expected, Miss Ellen Thorneycroft Fowler's latest work, "The Farringdens," which is also her best, has made a good start in attaining public favor in Canada, where the Methodist Church has



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admire Miss Fowler, and her present work has enough of the marks of greatness about it to justify its cordial reception. Here and there the critic has been found who is unable to see why it is that the book is having such a large sale. It has been said that Miss Fowler is not so "deep" as Mrs. Humphrey Ward, and lacks the knowledge of human nature possessed by George Eliot. The fact, no doubt, is that she has a medium of expression and a style entirely her own and there is no need to compare her with other writing people. We are tired of the readiness with which a certain school of writers find parallels and comparisons among the crowd of authors, and the jealousy with which any new departure of originality is received. Of course, Miss Fowler is a Methodist and a very decided person. She is not a milk-and-waterly imitation of anybody. She is humorous. She knows the world of society and she has devoted years of sympathetic study to certain types of middle-class life in England. It may be predicted that the Canadian editions of her book will run with very large numbers.

Another story book which Morang & Co. have on their list is Tolstoy's "Resurrection." It was at first thought that this great work would have but a moderate sale in Canada. But already two large editions have been exhausted and a third has had to be prepared. This is one of the books that have more than a temporary vogue, as is evidenced by its history since the first publication in the United States. Dodd, Mead & Co., who control the American publication, were somewhat conservative in their estimate of its probabilities on its first appearance. But recent developments have led to a complete change of view, and they are now preparing for a very large Fall sale. The fact that the author's royalties on this work are to be devoted to the assistance of the Doukhobors who have emigrated to Canada no doubt adds some interest to the Canadian issue.

Morang & Co. are exhibiting a fine collection of their books at the Montreal meeting of the American Library Association June 6 to 12, where they also show the splendid series of original paintings for the illustrations of Louis Frechette's "Christmas

so much influence and so many adherents. There is not a city, a small town nor a village that has not its circle of those who