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another on the moral and physical training of children and the care of health generally. The "Farming" Department is prepared by Professor Brown, of Guelph, Ont., and contains information of such value that few days will pass without the farmer referring to it for something. In the "Business" Department, the book-keeping is treated in the clearest and most comprehensive manner of any book that has ever yet appeared, and is in every way superior to the ordinary text-books. The "Legal" Department, prepared by Mr. Geo. McLean Rose, of Toronto, contains law forms and other legal information, which will often save the farmer or business man more than the book costs him.

The St. Thomas Daily Times says:

We have just received a copy of the Canadian Home and Business Cyclopaedia. As regards binding and general appearance, the work is in every respect first-class and is a credit to Canadian authorship, Canadian enterprise and Canadian art. The work is distinctly Canadian and is written and edited by Canadian specialists in their particular departments. The home department is edited by Mr. Adam, founder of the Canadian Monthly, and for many years known to the Canadian public as an able writer and journalist; the farm department by Professor Brown, C.E.P. L.S., Canada's greatest agriculturist; and the business department, under the supervision of George McLean Rose, ex-president of the Toronto board of trade. The paper has been made expressly for this work, of a particular shade and with a view to durability. The stamp and general get up of the bindings are most elegant and durable in style and perhaps the finest that have ever been executed in Canada. The complete work is handsomely illustrated with portraits of some of Canada's prominent men including Lord Lansdowne, Governor-General of Canada at the present time, the Marquis of Lorne, ex-Governor-General of Canada, Sir John A. Macdonald, K.C., B.D., C.L., etc., Premier of the Dominion of Canada, and Hon. Edward Blako, leader of the Opposition in the Canadian House of Parliament, while the different departments are all properly illustrated with cuts in keeping with the subjects which they represent.

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to conduct his affairs; the safest means of investing his funds, and withal the most accurate manner of keeping and posting his books. As to those important matters of health and diet there are many pages of useful matter, which if read, considered and acted up to will not fail to save many an aching head, to spare many an aching heart. Useful rules for calculations; rates of interest; current legal forms; weights and measures, convey a fund of information to the careful reader. Those who may be curious to know something of the usages of what is called society are not neglected in the pages devoted to etiquette; while what is of far more importance, the mothers of the land are supplied with hints how to make their homes happy and their children healthy. The games of the country come in for some exemplification, and useful models for letter writing are given for use of beginners in the art. To those who do not possess special works upon the subjects spoken of, the volume will prove of much value, as being a book of reference with which constant and useful consultation may be had. The work is well got up, and will no doubt obtain a wide-spread sale. It is published by subscription.

The Hamilton Times says:

"A surprising number and variety of subjects are to be found in this well-printed and handsomely-bound volume. The 'Home Department' bears evidence of careful compilation, and is sure to prove of much service to the trusted housewife, or indeed to any member of the family. 'Education and Manners of Girls'; 'Respect for the Rights of Others'; 'Manners of Young Men'; 'A Profession for our Sons'; 'Profession for Women'; 'The Preservation of the Health'; 'Air, Food and Exercise'; 'Diseases of Children,' are all subjects of vital importance, and they are ably debated, and many useful remedies for diseases are stated. An odd chapter or two is devoted to amusements for the family, both indoor and outdoor—a decided novelty in a work of this size that will at least be appreciated by the young folks. Other features are the 'Complete Letter-Writer,' 'Rules for Debating Societies,' many useful statistics of population of principal towns and cities, with special reference to Canada. The Farm and Garden Department of the work is edited by Professor Brown, C. E. P. L. S., of the Ontario Agricultural College, whose ability to deal with the topics undertaken is unquestioned. The writer gives a very interesting history of farming, comparing the past with the present, and supplying many useful hints as to how the farm may be made more productive of wealth. The Business Department contains hints on how to keep books that will be of much value to merchants, clerks and others. It also exhibits forms of Canadian legal documents, and a digest of mercantile law. The work, which is purely a Canadian production, and eminently fitted to take its place alongside the best finished book in our libraries, is illustrated with numerous engravings, embracing portraits of Hon.

E. Blako, Sir John Macdonald and other Canadian statesmen. The Home Department is edited by Mr. Mercer Adam, founder of the "Canadian Monthly;" the Farm Department by Prof. Brown, and the Business Department by Mr. George McLean Rose, ex-President of the Toronto Board of Trade.

The Bruce Herald says:

"The Canadian Home, Farm and Business Cyclopaedia"—The enterprising firm of J. S. Robertson & Bros., Book Publishers, of Whitby and Toronto, have recently made "A new departure" which reflects credit on themselves and our native country, in the issue of a large volume, which will be "A thing of beauty on any parlor table or library in the land. Written in Canada, by Canadians and for Canadians, it is the most practical and complete book for general information published in the Dominion. It contains upwards of 800 pages, printed on fine tinted paper, with clear type, beautifully embellished with numerous engravings. It teaches how to lighten the duties of home and how to make home enjoyable and attractive morally and intellectually, blending such innocent sports and amusements for the long winter evenings as will make "our lads and lassies" prefer the atmosphere of a pure home to places of dissipation. It also gives the Rules, Regulations and By-Laws which govern the more public "manly sports" with illustrated instructions to learn them. It teaches how to preserve health and what to do when sick. Its "home lessons" begin at the cradle and guide and follow the youth in every phase of life up to the hymenal altar, showing how to appear to the best advantage in society; a safe and reliable standard of instruction and reference in etiquette—a true friend and counsellor of the mother in dress, cookery, and other matters which almost daily occur in her anxious life. The mercantile department gives fullest directions in book-keeping, embracing not only the renowned "Goodwin's complete system," but also instructions how to conduct business correspondence. It also contains the latest legal forms for bonds, indentures, leases, assignments, mortgages, conveyances, notes, wills, etc. This part is not a mere transcript of American usages, but embraces everything now in use in our own Dominion. The book also contains the Rules, Regulations and By-Laws and explains the meaning of technical phrases used in debate and in public meetings. In a word it is a manual of Parliamentary practice. So far as we know this is the only book ever written giving information on Canadian farming, several hundred pages being devoted to this subject in its most practical bearings—written and selected by Prof. Brown of the Experimental Farm at the Ontario Agricultural College. This department relates to the climate, soils, plants of our own latitude, and is worth the price of the whole work. The Canadian Home, Farm and Business Cyclopaedia ought to have a large circulation.