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Is it possible that Canadian literature is bracing up? We learn from the Register that during the past year our Canadian writers published twenty-one novels, eight volumes of essays, fifteen of travel, seven of poetry, six of biography, and twelve of history. The Canadian North-West, by the way, seems to have a special fascination for American readers, if we are to judge by the number of N. W. stories appearing in the monthly magazines.

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We caught a brand-new comet on Jan. 24th! It is new inasmuch as only discovered on Jan. 17th by a South African named Berake. It is a fine, healthy-looking specimen, measuring 22 degrees, or about 35,000,000 miles, and consequently belonging to the first class. Local astronomers have named it "1910 A."

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A book that will be hailed with delight by those interested in the early history of the North-West is the "History of the Catholic Church in Western Canada," by Rev. A. G. Morice, O.M.I., of Winnipeg. The author is a fascinating writer, besides being one of the most eminent ethnologists of the day.

