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Canadian Industry, Commerce and Finance, by J. J. Harpell (The Industrial and Educational Press, Montreal, 431 pages, \$3.00) is a most valuable thesaurus of facts and statistics relating to all kinds of business carried on in Canada. Under the heading of Industry, the development of the Dominion on industrial lines is traced with great accuracy and fulness, the extent, the productions and the possibilities of that development being clearly pointed out. The section devoted to Commerce discusses questions relating to trade, both foreign and domestic, dealing with all means of transportation, methods of despatch, markets and weights and measures. In the chapter of Finance, after an account of the growth of banking and credit, the instruments and methods of credit are taken up one by one, each being described in a fashion both informing and interesting. A valuable feature of the book is a trade index or directory of all marketable commodities and Canadian producers. To any one who desires to know what business is being done in Canada and how it is carried on, Mr. Harpell's book will be an invaluable guide.

Professor O. J. Stevenson, of the Ontario Agricultural College, has given us a capital book in **Country Life Reader** (418 pages, profusely illustrated, George G. McLeod, Toronto, publishers, price 75c. net.). It is intended especially for country schools and country homes, with the object of making farm life attractive to boys and girls, and consists of a selection of stories, poems, and descriptive articles on plants and animal life, occupations of the various seasons on the farm, etc., from a wide sweep of the best writers. The selections are skilfully made, and the illustrations beautiful. Several articles which originally appeared in East and West are included in the volume. It is a good book for city boys and girls as well as for those in the country.

Frances Wilson Huard, the author of My Home in the Field of Honour (McClelland, Goodchild and Stewart, Toronto, 302 pages, \$1.25, illustrated), is an American, the wife of a well-known French artist, Charles Huard. When war broke out in August, 1914, they were at their home in France, a beautiful chateau. near the Marne, 60 miles east of Paris. The outbreak of war instantly called her husband, and all the ablebodied men on the estate, to service in the army. Mde. Huard offered her home as a hospital, but before it could be used, she was caring for the streams of Belgian and French refugees. Then very soon, she and her little household of women were compelled to flee before the German advance. When the Germans were in September driven back from their attempt on Paris, Mde. Huard returned home. The story is a very simply, clearly told narrative by a woman who has been through the horrors of war. My Home on the Field of Honour carries conviction of the courage of both the men and women of France, and also of the ruthless and wanton destructiveness of the Germans. The illustrations are from a number of beautiful drawings by Charles Huard.



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