

a famous raconteur, came to Canada from the Highlands about sixty years ago. It may not be generally known that another successful Canadian novelist, Mr. Gilbert Parker, M. P., was the curate of a church in Ontario before he took up literature as his life work.

A Souvenir Book.

The Grand Trunk Railway has issued a very artistic souvenir of the opening of the Victoria Jubilee Bridge in the shape of an illustrated book, beautifully bound in aluminum. The volume contains many interesting pictures of the great railway system from its inception down to the successful completion of the great structure at Montreal. The view of the old terminus opposite Montreal in 1855, when the system was known as the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railway, is a curious relic of early railroading in Canada. Every schoolboy has been taught of the old Victoria Bridge built in 1860. The reminiscences attending the completion and the opening of that structure, are worthy of a fixed place in Canadian history. Between the time of that first achievement, and the doubling of the bridge, a period has elapsed, which the souvenir book now issued bridges so cleverly and so tastefully, that it is itself an evidence of the enterprise and the thoroughness of the management of the railway. The Grand Trunk believes that what is worth doing is worth doing well.

War correspondents.

That the war correspondents as a class did not get their information of the engagements of the war at second hand, but on the contrary shared all the dangers and hardships of the actual combatants, is proved by the following long list of correspondents and journalists who have suffered directly and indirectly from the effects of the war. The list was compiled by the *Sphere* of London, England :

Mr. G. W. Steevens, *Daily Mail*, died at Ladysmith of fever.

Mr. Mitchell, *Standard*, died at Ladysmith of fever.

Mr. E. G. Parslow, *Daily Chronicle*, murdered at Mafeking.

Mr. Alfred Ferrand, *Morning Post*, killed at Ladysmith.

Mr. E. Finley Knight, *Morning Post*, wounded at Belmont, right arm amputated.

Mr. Winston Churchill, *Morning Post*, captured and escaped.

Mr. Lambie, Australian correspondent, killed at Rensburg.

Mr. George Lynch, *Morning Herald*, captured.

Mr. Hales, Australian, captured.

To this list the *Library Digest* (New-York) adds the following :

Mr. John Stuart, *Morning Post*, captured.

Mr. Charles Hands, *Daily Mail*, severely wounded.

Mr. Julian Ralph, *Daily Mail*, severely wounded.

It will be noticed that the *Daily Mail* and the *Morning Post*, (both London papers), seem to have been peculiarly unfortunate in regard to their correspondents.—EVENTS.