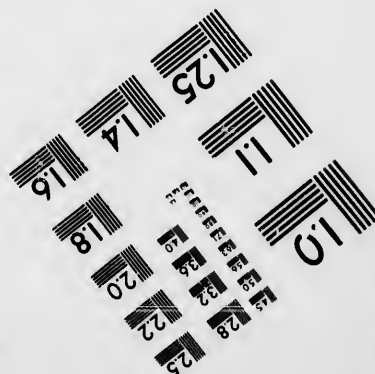
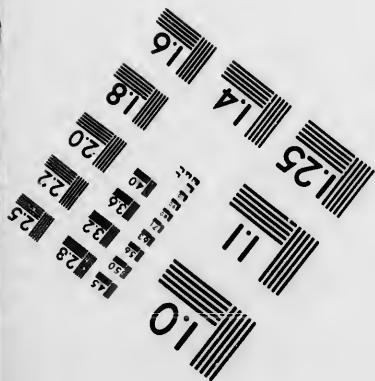
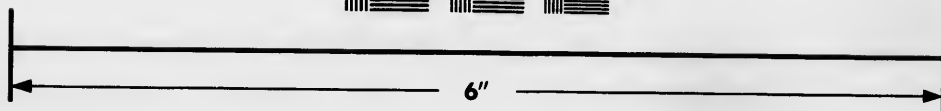
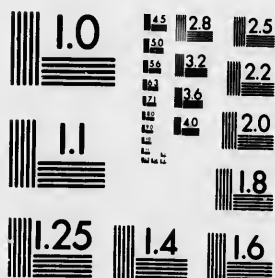


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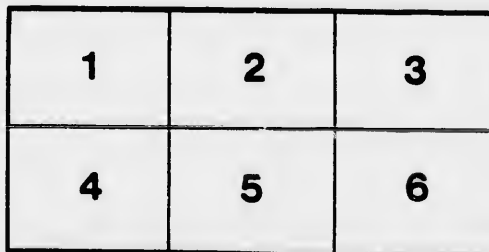
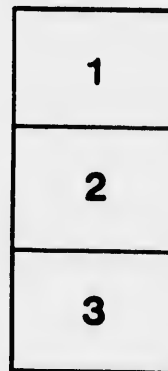
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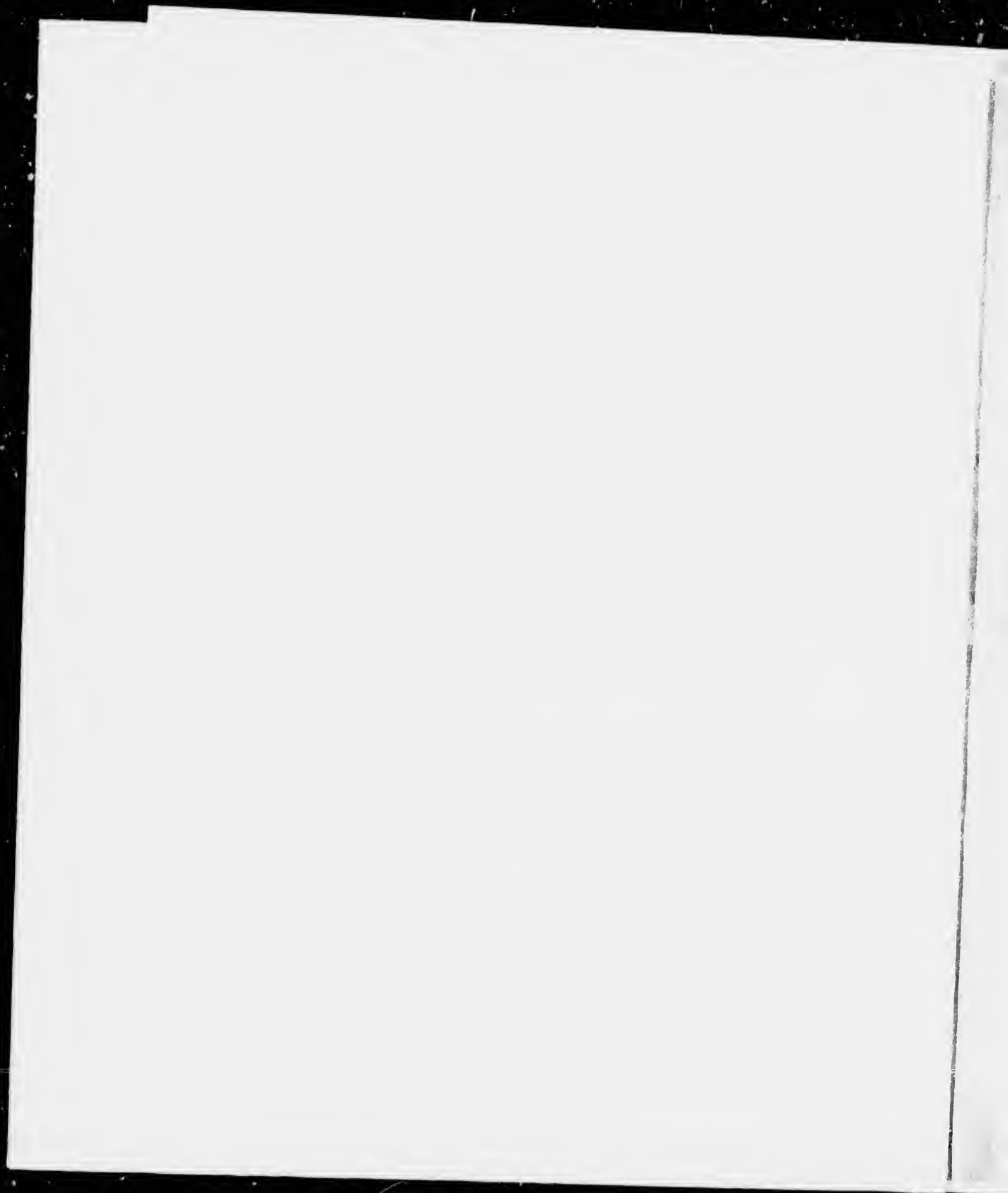
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TORONTO "CALLED BACK."



INSCRIPTION IN PRESENTATION COPY

TO

Her Royal Highness The Princess Victoria Mary of Teck, Duchess
of York, on the occasion of her marriage:

"With prayers and good wishes for the long life and happiness of the Royal Bride
and the Royal Bridegroom, from their loyal and devoted servant."

35 Grosvenor Street, Toronto.

THE AUTHOR.

July 5th, 1893.

Reply of Her Royal Highness.

MAR LODGE,

BRAEMER ABERDEENSHIRE, N.B.

September, 17th, 1893.

I am directed by Her Royal Highness the Duchess of York to thank you for the
very handsome book "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" which arrived yesterday

Yours faithfully,

CHARLES L. CUST,

Equerry-in-Waiting.

C. C. TAYLOR, ESQ., Toronto.

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TORONTO "CALLED BACK."

OPINIONS

As to its Merits, and Recommendations as to its further distribution
on board the Ocean Steamers and amongst the
Public Libraries still unsupplied.

[COPY.]

From N. AWREY, ESQ., M.P.P., *Ontario Commissioner, World's Columbian Exhibition.*

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR FLEMING.

DEAR MR. MAYOR,—Mr. Taylor, who has a work entitled "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" has had the impression that the City Council would take a number of copies of this work for distribution at the Columbian Exposition.

As the city of Hamilton is sending out some thousands of copies advertising their city, I think it would be very much to the advantage of the city of Toronto to see that something is done in the same direction.

I know of no work available at the present time which would meet the requirements of the city so well as would Mr. Taylor's book. I would be very glad to see that they were distributed properly from the different departments at Chicago if you decide to purchase them.

Yours truly,

(Signed) N. AWREY,
Ontario Commissioner.

From ALDERMAN FRANKLAND.

TORONTO, *May 1st, 1893.*

DEAR MR. TAYLOR,—As I am about leaving for England, and shall consequently be absent from the Council for some time, I wish to leave on record my opinion, so well known, of my estimate of the importance of the further distribution of your book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" amongst public libraries still unsupplied in Great Britain, and especially this year on board the ocean steamers as the very best means of informing the immense number of visitors to the World's Fair at Chicago of the attractions of Toronto, and directing their attention to our city.

The unanimous opinion of the press of Great Britain and the librarians who have had the book, and being the only work in these libraries treating of the "wonderful growth and progress of Toronto," for forty years from your own personal knowledge, added to my own experience of its benefits in advertising the city, will, I hope, induce the City Council to secure its liberal circulation the present year.

I remain,

Yours truly,

G. F. FRANKLAND.

From HONORABLE N. CLARKE WALLACE, M.P., *Comptroller of Customs.*

OTTAWA, *February 25th, 1893.*

MY DEAR SIR,—In reply to your letter of the 24th inst., enclosing a circular respecting your valuable book, I would say that I think it would be beneficial to Toronto, and to Canada as well, to have it circulated as widely as possible, and shall do all in my power to assist in its circulation.

I am, dear Sir,

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) N. CLARKE WALLACE.

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From HONORABLE JAMES A. LOUGHEED, *Senator, North-West Territories.*

THE SENATE,

OTTAWA, *February 24th, 1893.*

MY DEAR SIR,—Kindly accept my sincere thanks for the copy of "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'" I can appreciate the value of your work as one that must largely contribute to promoting the interests of immigration to Canada.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) JAS. A. LOUGHEED.

From BUTER & WILLIAMSON, *Cattle Salesmen.*

7 CHAPEL WALKS,

LIVERPOOL, *May 27th, 1891.*

DEAR SIR,—Mr. G. F. Frankland has asked our opinion of "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" and we consider, in answer to his question, that a liberal distribution of the work amongst our free libraries would prove of incalculable benefit to the development of the far west as a field for emigration.

It is evident that where a city can be shown to have made such rapid strides as Toronto, the Queen City of the West, it will prove to that class of mechanics and agriculturists, who intend to emigrate, that a country so rich in minerals, and so fertile, as well as healthy, is the desired haven for the teeming overflow of our surplus population, and where, with industry and perseverance, they will soon learn to thank Mr. Taylor's book for pointing them to so desirable a field for enterprise, and if the City Council would arrange with Mr. Taylor, the author of the book, for such distribution, it would prove of inestimable value to Toronto and to Canada.

Yours truly,

(Signed) BUTER & WILLIAMSON.

From A. F. WEBSTER, *Esq., Steamship Agent.*

TORONTO, *March 23rd, 1893.*

DEAR SIR,—I feel sure the distribution of your book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" on the principal steamships between Montreal and Europe, and New York and Europe, would be an excellent advertisement for Toronto and the Dominion.

Yours truly,

(Signed) A. F. WEBSTER,

Agent for Cunard, Allan, State, Dominion, Beaver, and Netherland Steamship Companies.

From R. M. MELVILLE, *Esq., Steamship Agent.*

TORONTO, *March 23rd, 1893.*

DEAR SIR,—Having large experience as a traveller, and representing a large number of Steamship Companies, I have no hesitation in saying that your book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" if distributed on the ocean steamers, would prove an excellent means of advertising Toronto and the Dominion.

(Signed) R. M. MELVILLE,

Representing Allan, Dominion, Beaver, and principal English and New York lines of Steamships.

From T. W. JONES, Esq, *General Canadian Agent, White Star Line Royal Mail Steamers*

TORONTO, March 24th, 1893.

DEAR SIR,—Your book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" has been added to the permanent libraries of all the mail steamers of this line, but, as amongst so many others, they might escape notice unless the attention of passengers was definitely called to them. I think a further supply, to be left in the reading room and smoking room, both of the first and second saloons, would produce excellent and permanent results.

I cannot speak so positively about the steerage, but if Mr Taylor can make the necessary arrangements for a careful distribution of them I have no doubt they would be perused with interest by passengers whose movements were not yet decided.

Yours truly,
(Signed) T. W. JONES,
General Canadian Agent.

From SIR MORGAN MORGAN, *Editor CARDIFF EXPRESS.*

5TH AVENUE HOTEL,

NEW YORK, May 16th, 1893.

DEAR MR. TAYLOR,—I desire to thank you most heartily for presenting me with two such interesting books. In years to come they will serve to remind me of my pleasant visit to Toronto, where we received such great kindness and hospitality. We leave for England to-morrow by the *Majestic*.

I remain,
Yours very truly,
(Signed) MORGAN MORGAN.

From GEO. HARRISON LAW, Esq, *Editor EDINBURGH SCOTSMAN.*

QUEEN'S HOTEL,

TORONTO, May 5th, 1893.

DEAR SIR,—Accept my best thanks for the volumes of your Reminiscences and "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" which you have kindly sent to me to-day. I will read them with pleasure, and through them will renew my pleasant impressions of Canada and Toronto when I return to Scotland.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed) GEO. HARRISON LAW.

From the TORONTO MAIL, *February 9th, 1893.*

"TORONTO 'CALLED BACK'" is full of information respecting the growth, the institutions, and the commerce of our city while its numerous illustrations are such as to attract the attention of the reader. Considering the useful character of the volume, and the high encomiums which it has received in the Old Country, it seems to be a pity that the City Council does not aid in circulating a number of these interesting volumes in the libraries of Great Britain, where it would certainly tend to advertise the advantages of Toronto.

From SATURDAY NIGHT, *March 19th, 1892.*

The time to advertise is when people are willing to read, and have time to read. If every ship coming to America is supplied with entertaining literature with regard to Toronto, it will be of use, because there is time to read and a tendency to read on the ship. With proper management a thousand dollars would do this.

From the EVENING NEWS, *May 4th, 1893.*

Sir William Leng's paper, the *Sheffield Telegraph*, has devoted considerable space to articles setting forth the advantages and progress of Toronto, articles founded largely on facts supplied from works published by Mr. C. C. Taylor, of the Toronto Customs.

From the TORONTO GLOBE, April 14th, 1893.

The Methodist Book Room will be represented at the World's Fair by an exceedingly fine exhibit of the work done in the production and binding of fine books. Over in the Book Room, yesterday, were two fine show cases filled with books of splendidly embossed covers, in every style of the binder's art.

Amongst the publications of which specimens are shown are Dr. Withrow's "History of Canada" and Mr. C. C. Taylor's "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'"

These books were published by the Book Room, and are pronounced equal to the finest work of Edinburgh houses.

From the TORONTO WORLD, April 21st, 1893.

"TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'" One of the handsomest specimens of book-making which will be exhibited at the World's Fair, will be the Methodist Book Room exhibit of Mr. C. C. Taylor's work, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'"

In the form in which it is dressed, it is pronounced equal to the finest work of Edinburgh houses.

Mr. Taylor has now in the press the fifth edition of his work, which is not only enlarged, but profusely illustrated.

Mr. Taylor's distribution of his book amongst the chief hotels and public institutions in Great Britain has resulted in advertising Toronto abroad, perhaps more than any other means adopted, and, as a result, may bring hundreds of tourists to the city this year.

From G. B. DIBBLEE, Esq., Editor MANCHESTER GUARDIAN.

THE GUARDIAN OFFICE, MANCHESTER, *June 8th, 1893.*

DEAR SIR,—I am much obliged for the favor of your letter, and the two handsome books which I received in Toronto.

"TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'" has interested me very much, more especially the passages which deal with the probable effect on our trade with Canada of the opening of our Ship Canal, now so near completion.

I agree with you that the distribution of your book to people about to visit your country will increase their desire to see a city which is in the forefront of transatlantic progress.

I remain, Yours faithfully,

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

(Signed) G. BINNEY DIBBLEE.

At a Meeting to consider the Georgian Bay Canal Scheme, the following Resolution was carried unanimously:—

"That this meeting desires to express its regret that for the last decade there has been a lack of the old-time enterprise that once characterized so many of the citizens of Toronto, and that it is high time that something should be done to place this city in the position which the natural advantages she possesses entitles her to."

A newspaper correspondent writes from Chicago: "I have been a good deal amongst the railway offices and found nothing whatever in the way of literature referring to Toronto."

From SIR J. R. SOMERS VINE, F.R.G.S., F.S.S., Assistant Secretary Imperial Institute of the United Kingdom, the Colonies and India.

IMPERIAL INSTITUTE ROAD,

LONDON, S.W., *June 15th, 1893.*

SIR,—I am directed to inform you that you have been duly elected a Fellow of the Imperial Institute by the Executive Council.

I am, Sir, Yours faithfully,

(Signed) J. R. SOMERS VINE,

Assistant Secretary.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

From SIR FREDERICK A. ABEL, K.C.B., F.R.S., D.C.L., D.Sc., *Secretary Imperial Institute, London.*

SOUTH KENSINGTON,

LONDON, *July 1st, 1893.*

DEAR SIR,—The Executive Council of the Imperial Institute desire me to acknowledge the receipt of the donation to their Library, named "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" from 1892 to 1847, and to convey to you the expression of their cordial thanks.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) F. A. ABEL,

Secretary and Treasurer.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.,
35 Grosvenor Street, Toronto.

From D. R. WILKIE, Esq., *President Board of Trade.*

TORONTO, *May 11th, 1893.*

DEAR MR. TAYLOR,—I have been unable to thank you sooner for the copy of your very interesting book of Reminiscences.

The description of your visit to Sheffield is very interesting. I found Sir William C. Leng very much as you describe that gentleman. I hope that his visit to this country has confirmed his affection for Canada, and has furnished him with new arguments in favor of a United Empire.

I shall take the first opportunity of laying your Reminiscences upon the Council Table of the Board as a presentation by you to its official head.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) D. R. WILKIE,

President.

From HONORABLE T. MAYNE DALY, M.P., *Minister of the Interior.*

OTTAWA, *December 9th, 1892.*

DEAR MR. TAYLOR,—I have to acknowledge, with much pleasure, your book, entitled, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK'"—1892 to 1847—and have to thank you for your kindness in remembering me. I have not yet had time to read it, but from the cursory glance I have had of it, I am satisfied that your book will merit the approval of the people of Canada, and particularly of the citizens of Toronto. Again thanking you,

Believe me,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) T. MAYNE DALY.

From HONORABLE N. CLARKE WALLACE, *Comptroller of Customs.*

OTTAWA, *6th February, 1893.*

DEAR MR. TAYLOR,—I hope you will excuse me for not acknowledging earlier the receipt of your very handsome book, entitled, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'" I have only had time to go partially through it, but I intend reading it carefully and then sending it to my boys for their perusal.

It recalls many instances in the history of Toronto that I can well remember myself, and many others that I have heard my father speak about in the olden days.

Again thanking you for your very handsome present,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) N. CLARKE WALLACE.

From HONORABLE SIR JOHN THOMPSON, K.C.M.G.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE,

OTTAWA, *December 9th, 1892.*

MY DEAR SIR.—Accept my best thanks for the copy of your book, which I have just received, and which I highly appreciate.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) JNO. S. D. THOMPSON.

From HER MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA.

Sir Henry Ponsonby is commanded by the Queen to thank Mr. Conyngham C. Taylor for the copy of his work, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" which he has forwarded for Her Majesty's acceptance.

PRIVY PURSE OFFICE,

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, *16th December, 1892.*

From HIS EXCELLENCY THE EARL OF DERRY, *Governor-General of Canada.*

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, *16th March, 1893.*

SIR,—I am desired by His Excellency the Governor-General to acknowledge your letters of 9th January and 7th March, and to apologize for the delay which, in consequence of the suspense incident to the grave illness of two of His Excellency's sons, has occurred in replying to them. His Excellency instructs me to thank you for permitting him to see the advance copy of your new edition of "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" and also for the pamphlet you have been good enough to send him descriptive of your recent visit to Great Britain and Ireland, and at the same time to say that he has much pleasure in acceding to your request that he should extend his patronage to the new edition of your volume, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK.'"

He also directs me to enclose, according to your desire, the accompanying photograph, which he was only able to procure yesterday.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. ST. AUBYN, *Major,*
Governor-General's Secretary.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.,
Toronto.

From WARRING KENNEDY, Esq. (MESSRS. SAMSON, KENNEDY & Co.)

TORONTO, *April 21st, 1893.*

DEAR SIR,—I should be glad to know if you have any additional copies of "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" same as those I had from you.

They were received with great favor by those to whom I sent them, and we, in return, got many acknowledgments.

Yours very truly,

C. C. TAYLOR.

(Signed) WARRING KENNEDY.

[Messrs. Samson, Kennedy & Co. had 80 copies previously and ordered 250 more.]

—C. C. T.

From P. Byrne, Esq., Ontario Government Agency,

19 BRUNSWICK STREET,

LIVERPOOL, 24th January, 1889.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th inst., and to thank you for the copy of the third edition of your book, *TORONTO "CALLED BACK,"* which accompanied it.

I am decidedly of opinion that if a liberal supply of copies of your book was placed in the hands of the Canadian Government agents in this country, to be distributed at their discretion amongst the well-to-do class of emigrants, that much benefit would thereby accrue to Toronto.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

P. BYRNE,

Agent for Ontario

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.,

35 Grosvenor St., Toronto.

From H. Merrick, Esq., ex-M.P.P.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT EMIGRATION DEPARTMENT, BELFAST,

GREAT VICTORIA STREET,

BELFAST, January 29th, 1889.

DEAR SIR, I have read with very great interest the copy of *TORONTO "CALLED BACK"* you so kindly sent me. I have shown it to quite a number who have called making enquiries regarding Ontario, and Toronto specially.

Many are surprised at the progress of your city, and have made particular enquiries as to the farming land in its vicinity.

With many thanks,

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

H. MERRICK.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.,

Toronto, Ontario

From James Bain, jun., Chief Librarian, Public Library.

TORONTO, February 7th, 1889.

DEAR SIR,—I am sure that a free distribution of your book in England and Scotland would do good. Too much of the matter which is distributed consists of ephemeral booklets, which are intended for agriculturists, but nothing has been done, that I am acquainted with, in the way of showing small manufacturers what inducements there are to remove their works to the cities and towns of our Province.

At present, when the growth of large manufactories is one of the features of the day, we should do our utmost to develop the small handicrafts as a precaution against periods of distress and dillicnties.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

JAMES BAIN, JUN.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.,

Her Majesty's Customs.

From the Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain, M.P.

HIGHBURY,

MOOR GREEN,

BIRMINGHAM, February 7th, 1889.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge, with thanks, your letter of 22nd ult., and also the copy of your work on Toronto. I retain a most favorable impression of the appearance and importance of the city, which afford ample evidence of the enterprise and industry of its inhabitants and rulers.

I have no doubt that your book will be interesting and useful to visitors, as well as to your fellow-citizens.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

From Sir Daniel Wilson, K.C.M.G., LL.D., President of Toronto University.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,

TORONTO, 5th February, 1889.

DEAR SIR, I shall have much pleasure in depositing in the University library your volume of TORONTO "CALLED BACK," where it will prove a useful book of reference in subsequent years, when a similar progress to that which you note from 1847 will awaken fresh interest in the record.

Dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) DANIEL WILSON.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

From Wilmot D. Matthews, Esq., President of Toronto Board of Trade.

TORONTO, March 23rd, 1889.

MY DEAR MR. TAYLOR, I have read with much pleasure, your book "Toronto Called Back." The memories it calls up are very pleasing to older residents, and being thoroughly Canadian in sentiment, its wide distribution would certainly advance the interests of our fair city and province very materially.

Yours truly,

(Signed) WILMOT D. MATTHEWS.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq. TORONTO.

From Geo. R. R. Cockburn, Esq., M.P.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

OTTAWA, March 2nd, 1889.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

DEAR SIR,—Many thanks for the new edition of the "Toronto Called Back," which I am glad to welcome in its enlarged and improved form.

I read it with great pleasure, and commend it to all who desire to know the truly wonderful progress of the Queen City of the West.

Yours truly,

(Signed) GEO. R. R. COCKBURN.

From W. C. Van Horne, Esq., President Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

MONTREAL, March 3rd, 1889.

MY DEAR SIR,—I am greatly obliged for the copy of the third edition of your book "Toronto Called Back," which you have been so good as to send me. I have not yet had time to read it through, but I have already found in it much valuable information, and I feel sure that your work will do a great deal of good.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. C. VAN HORNE.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

From the "Christian Guardian," March 6th, 1889.

This is an enlarged and revised edition, containing the progress of Toronto from 1886 to 1888. Mr. Taylor's excellent book has already been noticed by us. The present edition is, it is scarcely necessary to say, an improvement on the first. It contains several views not included in the first edition.

We have no doubt that if the book were more widely circulated in Great Britain, it would make the attractions and advantages of Toronto much better known.

From Hon. John Macdonald, Senator.

THE SENATE, CANADA, March 12th, 1889.

MY DEAR TAYLOR, I quite concur in the opinion of Mr. P. Byrne, of the Ontario Government Agency, Liverpool, that, "if a liberal supply of your book was placed in the hands of the Government agents in Great Britain, to be distributed at their discretion amongst the well-to-do class of emigrants, that much benefit would thereby accrue to Toronto." I would go further than he says, and would add Ontario.

I trust the Government may see the matter in that light, as I am persuaded the amount spent in that way would be money wisely laid out.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOHN MACDONALD.

C. C. TAYLOR, Esq.

From W. J. Paul, Esq. J.P.

PORTADOWN, IRELAND, March 27th, 1889

DEAR MR. TAYLOR.—Your book is a most interesting one, and gives one such an idea of your adopted country as, I think, could scarcely be found in so concise and compact a form anywhere else; and so nicely illustrated and beautifully got up, is quite a credit to the Dominion as well as to the writer. I think Canada has a great future before it.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) W. J. PAUL.

From the Rev. John Potts, D.D., General Secretary, Methodist Educational Society.

TORONTO, April 19th, 1889.

TORONTO "CALLED BACK" is a book of much value both to the aged and the youthful of Toronto, and is not less valuable to those thinking of making Toronto their home. I would like to see this new edition having a large circulation in the Old Country, as I think it would direct a desirable class of emigrants to Toronto.

(Signed) JOHN POTTS

From Ex-Alderman John Harvie, Esq.

TORONTO, April 16th, 1889

C. C. TAYLOR, ESQ.

DEAR SIR,—I have perused your very interesting and instructive book, entitled Toronto "CALLED BACK," and have been much struck with the faithful representations it contains regarding the rapid growth and progress of this City, with which I have been conversant since my settlement here in 1852.

I have sent copies of it to friends in the United States and Europe, and I feel sure the liberal distribution of your valuable book on board the ocean steamers, and other public places, could not fail to be of great benefit, not only to our Queen City of the West, but also to the whole Province of Ontario.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) JOHN HARVIE

From "Saturday Night," April 13th, 1889.

"Toronto Called Back," and the Queen's Jubilee, (third edition) from 1847 to 1888, by Conyngham C. Taylor, contains 518 pages and 53 illustrations, comprising, in addition to former issues, many portraits of local celebrities, together with biographical sketches.

It deals in an interesting, chatty way with the progress of the city for the last 42 years, and one is surprised that our local history contains so much that is interesting. Mr. Taylor's book would be invaluable for distribution amongst that large class of Old Country folk who are not quite rich enough to live well in England, but who have sufficient income to make them comfortable in Canada, and support a place in what is really our worthiest society.

From "The Budget," February 1st, 1889.

TORONTO "CALLED BACK," the well-known work of Mr. Conyngham C. Taylor, is now in its third edition, a fact which speaks well for its popularity. This is a handsome volume of over five hundred pages, and copiously and beautifully illustrated. As its name indicates, this book covers recollections of Toronto men and affairs since 1847. It is manifest that the author writes mainly from memory, for there is little of the dry-as-dust statistical work, which is the main stock of most works of this character. The traveller and the student will find this book a storehouse of memories of Toronto past, while the ordinary reader cannot but be interested in a narrative so well put together.

From the "Monetary Times," April 5th, 1889

Much of the kaleidoscopic character of Mr. Taylor's book is accounted for by what he says of its origin. He "called back" from memory the facts and incidents to be related, not intending them for the public eye, but partly for self recreation and partly for family gratification. And so he goes on to tell of his own early days, then of trans-Atlantic travel; of scenes and pageants, public persons and public buildings in Europe, his impression of New York, his adventures here, there, and everywhere, persons and things in Toronto forty years ago, twenty years ago and to-day. Not only these, but statistics, poems, and anecdotes, and moralizings on almost any and every subject.

A stranger being shown the volume we are describing, "Toronto Called Back," would scarcely know from its title what sort of a book to expect. But Mr. Taylor has provided him with a book which is at once biographical, historical, statistical, and amusing. There are 518 pages and 53 illustrations in it, and it really does contain much information about Toronto. The author is able to tell of earlier social events in

A small city in the West,
Where many very worthy people
Eat, drink, play whist and do their best
To guard from evil, church and steeple.

But he does more. The author was a merchant, and on a considerable scale. He devotes much space to reminiscences connected with trade and manufactures, and of figures illustrating the growth of Toronto and of Canada. For instance: on pages 96 to 98 may be found a description of the origin of the bonding system between the United States and this country.

The chapter, or part of a chapter, entitled "Buying in Europe, its pleasures and responsibilities," is also an entertaining bit of description. "Toronto as a musical city" awakens expectation, and truly we find a good account of musical persons and events, evidently the work of one who has an intelligent interest in music.

It is proper to explain that the present is the third edition of this book. The first contained some 300 pages and was issued in 1886. The next appeared in the following year, on the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee, an event which the author celebrates with exuberant loyalty, extending over 80 pages. Then the doings of and in the city in 1888 fell to be described, and the author takes, besides, a hand in matters of international concern. We must remark the decided improvement in appearance of this book over former editions. It is on toned paper, well bound, and the typography does credit to the press of the Methodist Publishing House.

From the "Dominion Churchman," February 7th, 1889.

This handsome volume is, as its title quaintly sets forth, a retrospective sketch of the history of Toronto for some forty to fifty years. The author, Mr. C. C. Taylor, having been settled therein many years, like most residents of Toronto is very enthusiastic in his admiration of this noble city. His work will give to the outer world an admirable account of the early life and the marvellous development of Toronto. It is adorned with engravings of the principal public buildings, such as Trinity College, Toronto University, St James' Church, commonly called "The Cathedral," the Custom House and Osgoode Hall, all of which are worthy to be in honor as adornments of an European city. He gives, also, pictures of a large number of edifices of no mean character built by the Presbyterian, Methodist, and other religious bodies, also drawings of mercantile houses, and portraits of public men. Mr. Taylor recently received the thanks of the Queen, the Princess of Wales, and the Empress Frederick of Germany, for presentation copies of TORONTO "CALLED BACK." It has been highly spoken of by a large number of distinguished persons, and been everywhere received by those interested in Toronto or in Canada with flattering commendation. The Corporation of Toronto subscribed for three hundred copies for distribution amongst the great libraries of the world. Mr. Taylor has issued a book that, besides the deep interest of its contents, is a highly attractive volume for the table, and the loyal and patriotic tone of it is expressed with good judgment as well as good taste by the Royal Arms forming the leading adornment of the binding. We hope Mr. Taylor will find ample reward for his enterprise by a large sale of his interesting and valuable contribution to Canadian history.

From the SATURDAY LEDGER, March 18th, 1893.

A vast amount of useful and exceedingly interesting information is contained in Mr. C. C. Taylor's book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" a copy (the third edition) of which has been sent us by the author.

Mr. Taylor has received the most flattering testimonials from men, and women also, in every walk of life. Princes and princesses, prime ministers, professors and members of parliament seem to have vied with each other in showering upon the author their warmest encomiums. Acknowledgments have also been received from Her Majesty the Queen and the Dowager Empress of Germany. It was suggested by the late Senator Macdonald that a copy of Mr. Taylor's book should be placed in every public library and reading-room in Great Britain, to the end that the City of Toronto might be well and favorably known throughout the old land.

The author deserves great credit for the production of "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" and it is sincerely to be hoped that he may reap a rich pecuniary return for his labour.

From the EMPIRE, August 22nd, 1893.

A Present for the Princess.—Mr. C. C. Taylor, of the Custom House, is forwarding a copy of his book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" to Her Royal Highness the Princess May, as a wedding present.

The copy is a beautiful specimen of the perfection to which bookbinding in Toronto has been brought. In color, a delicate blue, with the Royal Arms emblazoned in gold on the cover. The volume makes a very handsome present, even to Royalty.

From the GLOBE, August 23rd, 1893.

Mr. C. C. Taylor, of the Custom House, has determined to forward to Princess May, as a wedding present, an exquisitely bound copy of his well-known volume, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" a fifth edition of which is now on the press. The binding was done in the Methodist Book Room.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Taylor's literary work has been recognized in England by his being elected a Fellow of the Imperial Institute.

"I am getting a little honor out of the book, anyway," remarked the author, "though it may not bring me much money."

From the MAIL, August 30th, 1893.

Wedding Gift to Princess May.—Mr. Conyngham C. Taylor is forwarding a very handsome copy of "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK'" as a wedding present to Princess May. The binding is very elaborate, and of the finest quality, in navy blue and gold. On one side of the cover is the Royal Arms, on the other the Arms of the City of Toronto. The work is very artistic, and will no doubt be appreciated by the royal recipient.

It may be stated that Mr. Taylor, whose services in making Toronto known throughout Great Britain have been very valuable, has been elected a Fellow of the Imperial Institute.

From SATURDAY NIGHT, September 2nd, 1893.

Mr. Conyngham C. Taylor, of this city, has forwarded a very handsome copy of his well-known book, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" as a wedding present to Princess May. It is a book that will command attention anywhere.

The Methodist Book Room people exerted all their skill in binding the volume, and scored a great success.

The cover is a delicate blue, with gold trimmings, on one side being the Royal Arms, and on the other the Arms of the City of Toronto.

Anything finer in the way of binding it would be difficult to conceive, and as for the contents of the book, it may be said that the author of it has just received the distinguished honor of being appointed a Fellow of the Imperial Institute on the strength of it.

Mr. Taylor has another handsomely-bound book on exhibition at Chicago, and left on Friday for that city.

"TORONTO 'CALLED BACK'" is now in its fourth edition, and although its author has never profited one cent by it, he has the knowledge that he has conferred a boon on the city, and saved posterity a great deal of tedious research.

From the MAIL, April 27th, 1891.

A matter that will come before the City Council this evening is the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the city purchase some 450 copies of Mr. C. C. Taylor's work, "TORONTO 'CALLED BACK,'" which are now held at various points in the United Kingdom for distribution. The recommendation is one that should be accepted without hesitation, as means of advertising this city and making its progress known in England. Several copies of Mr. Taylor's excellent book placed in every public library in the United Kingdom would be a lasting and most effectual aid to the city's prosperity.

