

ably, as, for instance, in describing the explosion of a nine-pounder gun as an "earth-rocking roar."

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*The Glamour of British Columbia.* By H. GLYNN-WARD. (New York: Century, 1926. Pp. 238. \$3.00.)

"Few people realize that, once they are over 'The Great Divide,' there is a whole empire between the Rockies and the Coast, which is British Columbia." The reader who has penetrated this province with H. Glynn-Ward in her *Glamour of British Columbia* becomes aware of the vastness, the wildness, the variety in mountain, lake and stream and is inspired if not always enthused.

The book is the account of an adventurous woman who dares to explore the Fraser River Valley, to hunt in the "Cariboo Region" and to climb in winter Mount Robson, the highest, the most beautiful, the most dangerous mountain in all the Rockies. Here are incorporated the tales of trapper George who takes the route of the Yukon Telegraph Trail, of McNeil the Irish rancher, of Cataline the Mexican pack-team driver. The sparse population of British Columbia is a strange conglomeration of races.

The country described here has a combination of climate and soil that yields amply to those who have sufficient grit and hardihood to test it. It is only the hardy pioneer who has dared to make the venture. As yet the resources of British Columbia have been scarcely touched. These fifteen sketches embody a challenge to conquer the province for its riches.

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*The Rocks and Rivers of British Columbia.* By WALTER MOBERLEY. (London, 1886. Pp. 104. Reprinted 1926, Pp. 102, by R. Douglas, Secretary, Geographic Board of Canada, Ottawa. Price \$2.00.)

In the roll of pioneers of British Columbia, the name of Walter Moberley stands high. From 1864 until 1874, he was exploring, almost continuously, in the Selkirks and the Rockies: in the former, for the colonial government; in the latter for the Dominion, as one of the earliest explorers for the Canadian Pacific Railway. In 1885, he published the account of his explorations, under the title: *The Rocks and Rivers of British Columbia*. The book was especially valuable as the personal record of the first examination of the Gold and the Selkirk ranges, and the first after