

The Pioneer Women of Vancouver Island, 1843-1866. By N. DE BERTRAND LUGRIN. (Victoria: The Women's Canadian Club of Victoria, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, 1928. Pp. 312. \$3.25.)

This unusual and valuable book has received an enthusiastic welcome in its home city. *The Daily Colonist*, of Victoria, on November 17, 1928, gave a full-page, illustrated review of the work, saying: "The book is one of the most readable documents of the kind ever compiled, and is likely to be very much more in demand than was ever dreamed of by those who conceived the idea."

It is hoped that the newspaper's prophecy is already proving a true one as the book is packed with merit. There is every evidence that the author and the committees of helpers have been diligent in their searches for information. The place of honor is given to Lady Douglas, widow of Governor James Douglas. Her portrait is the frontispiece and her biography occupies the first chapter after the introduction. It seems as if all the other pioneer women received a similarly tender discussion in the succeeding chapters. The ladies sponsoring the book had the good judgment to secure the assistance of John Hosie, Provincial Librarian and Archivist. His name appears on the title-page as Editor.

Sir George Simpson, Centennial Celebration, Fort St. James, 17th September, 1928. (Winnipeg: The Hudson's Bay Company, 1928. Pp. 48.)

This beautiful pamphlet, sumptuously illustrated, contains the addresses and remarks delivered at the ceremonies indicated in the title. The principal addresses were made by Charles V. Sales, Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company; Hon. R. Randolph Bruce, Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia; Judge F. W. Howay, New Westminster, a member of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada; George W. Allan, Winnipeg, a member of the London Committee and Chairman of the Canadian Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company; and T. C. Elliott, Walla Walla, who bore greetings from the neighboring States of Oregon and Washington. His address appears elsewhere in this issue.

Lower Fort Garry. By ROBERT WATSON. (Winnipeg: Hudson's Bay Company, 1928. Pp. 69. \$1.05 postpaid.)

This brief and wonderfully compact history of one of the