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the immortal Goethe's only son, August? In his Goethe: Man and Poet, Henry W. Nevinson writes: "Ottilie had not strength of character to control either her husband or her household. Children came, and as the whole family was quartered in Goethe's house, the turmoil and quarrelling were enough to distract any poet." To Ottilie, her bosom friend Anna writes from Niagara Falls on June 1st, 1837: "For your sake I will live and work and be cheerful, and for my sake you must take courage to live. I want you. I have no other friend who can do for me what you can." And five years later Anna Jameson writes in another letter to Ottilie von Goethe: "How strange if you and Lady Byron should meet!-the two most remarkable women I ever met in my life!"

Is it an answer to this enigmatic relationship to reply that both Anna and Ottilie were so thoroughly disappointed with their husbands -"I expect to hear that the wretched man whose name I bear is either dead or in a madhouse", wrote Mrs. Jameson to Frau Goethe on December 13, 1852—that they endeavoured to find compensation

and sublimation in this infatuated female friendship? Anna Jameson and Ottilie Goethe seem to have been personally acquainted with everybody worth knowing in England and Germany; present-day students of English and German literature and social activities will be fascinated by the intimate glimpses these very personal letters afford into the contemporary life of the two nations,

C. H. MERCER.

Colin Robertson's Correspondence Bop, 79n o

TO SEPTEMBER 1822. Edited with an IntroduiS oxi E. E. Rich, M.A., assisted by R. HarveFly c.evs B.Comm. Toronto, The Champlain Society, 19m. Pp. exxxi, 372.

This is the second volume in the Hudson's Bay Company series of documents, which is being published by the Champlain Society, and deals with an important period in the history of that company when it unites with or absorbs the North West Company. Though the title does not suggest it, the volume contains a number of important documents which deal specifically with the terms of union, and throw light on the evolution of policy, while the Correspondence Book itself, originally designed to that end, shows "the formative part which Robertson played during the vital period of the history of the Hudson's Bay Company." The lengthy but well-written introduction gives a competent analysis of the life and character of Colin Robertson, and is particularly valuable in its comments upon Robertson's part in influencing the Company and Lord Selkirk in those crucial years when an attempt was made to plant a colony in the Red River valley. It suggests in that connection a possible revision of the authorized version of Selkirk's work and motives. At the same time it does not gloss over the weaknesses of Robertson or the ruthlessness of Simpson. The notes and appendices are voluminous and useful. D. C. H.

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