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Without question, Fort York is Toronto's most important historic site and now, thanks to Carl Benn, its definitive history has been written in a clear, concise and entertaining style. (Mike Filey *The Toronto Sun*)

Benn's scholarly work ... is a local history of a high and provocative kind, casting a searchlight on a patch of Toronto's historical terrain that has many a surprising nook and dell in it. (John Bentley Mays *The Globe and Mail*)

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