industrial factors influencing the country as a whole, and also the physiographic sections. The influence of Prof Turner and the Wisconsin school are plainly evident.

The final word is with Prof. Paxson, of Wisconsin, in the "New Nation," which brings the narrative down to the present. The volume opens with the picture of President Wilson and the last chapter is called the New Nationalism, so that here we are among familiar names and faces. The volumes on the whole are well written, though Prof. Becker's style will perhaps prove troublesome to a reader accustomed to less involved sentences. At times Prof. Paxson seems to feel little sympathy with the protests of his period and it seems to crop out in the telling. But these are minor faults in a worthy work very well done. When one contemplates the extent of the field covered and the necessity for brevity and conciseness it would be uncharitable to quibble over sentences or paragraphs that could easily be made more satisfying if one had the room.

EDWARD McMAHON.


Under the above title the author introduces his reader to the West in twelve chapters of unconventional travelogue. He confines himself to no particular form of discourse or style, but with history, narration, pathos and humor, epitomizes various phases of western life and country. The book will gratify the popular reader, and the historian who desires to catch more of the spirit of the West will profit by reading it. It will prove a rare delight to the tourist who contemplates a visit to the Western country this summer, and moreover will probably influence many such to plan trips to the Pacific Northwest, while the usual foreign goals of the travelers are closed by the great war.

VICTOR J. FARRAR.


This fine old pioneer of the famous immigration of 1843 has told in charming fashion the intensely interesting story of the journey across the plains and of the early life in Oregon.

There are five chapters with the following descriptive headings: "From the Mississippi to the Columbia," "Down the Columbia to the Willamette," "Our First Winter and Summer in Oregon," "Experiences in the Willamette Valley," "We Move to the Umpqua Valley."

The little book is well worth while and it is to be hoped that other