detail. He introduces no new or unusual material. In point of view and interpretation he follows the conservative path. There are no footnote references nor a bibliography. The value of this book lies in the fact that he has written an interesting story. There are no new contributions in subject matter nor in the method of treatment aside from the literary style.

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The Executive Council of the American Historical Association, realizing that the writing of history in the United States was not in a satisfactory state, caused to be appointed by the Association in 1920, a special committee consisting of Jean Jules Jusserand, then Ambassador from France, Doctor Charles William Colby and Professor Wilbur Cortez Abbott. Two years later, Professor John Spencer Bassett, Secretary of the Association, was added to the committee. After planning the work each member submitted to the others his own conclusions. It was