

son of an able and suggestive paper by W. E. Connelley upon "National Aspects of the Old Oregon Trail." Painstaking care is evidenced in the preparation and editing of the entire volume. Much of fact and incident is here collected for the use of present and future students. A fifty-seven page, double-column index is furnished.

CALIFORNIA, 1849-1913; OR, THE RAMBLING SKETCHES AND EXPERIENCES OF SIXTY-FOUR YEARS' RESIDENCE IN THAT STATE. (Oakland, DeWitt and Snelling, 1913. Pp. 48. \$.50.)

Here is the unpretentious story of a '49-er from Vermont. The narrative begins with the trip over the Oregon Trail from Independence, Missouri. Many incidents are related bearing upon early mining days in the Golden State.

TEXAS IN THE MIDDLE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY. By Herbert Eugene Bolton. (Berkeley, University of California Press, 1915. Pp. 501. \$3.25 paper, \$3.50 cloth.)

The sub-title is Studies in Spanish Colonial History and Administration. It is Volume III in the University of California Publications in History. Professor Bolton has made himself an authority on the history of the Southwest. This large work, based on the original sources, may well be accepted as final on its definite time and place. The book is illustrated with maps and diagrams. In dignity and scholarship it reflects credit on the great institution from which it is issued.

MICHIGAN HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS. (Lansing, Michigan Historical Commission, 1915. Pp. 601.)

This is Volume XXXIX of the Collections. It is packed with valuable materials pertaining to the history of Michigan. It is a fine example of what an enterprising state can do toward preserving the record of men and events important in the annals of the commonwealth.

THE MILITARY OBLIGATION OF CITIZENSHIP. By Leonard Wood. (Princeton, Princeton University Press, 1916. Pp. 76. 75 cents net.)

The distinguished Major General, United States Army, gave an address at Princeton on April 15, 1915, on "The Policy of the United