

## BOOK REVIEWS

*The Canadian Historical Review.* By W. S. WALLACE, Managing Editor. (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1920. Pp. 129. \$2.00 the year.)

In the last issue of the *Quarterly*, pages 73-74, there was published a brief article about the annual *Review of Historical Publications Relating to Canada*. As it now turns out that was the last of an important series of reviews extending over a quarter of a century. Hereafter the work is to be accomplished in the form of a quarterly magazine, the new series being called Volume I., Number 1.

In content and style the new venture is somewhat similar to the *American Historical Review*, the standard or model of such publications in the United States. The magazine contains special articles and documents as well as abundant book reviews. On pages 122-123 are brief notes on articles recently published about the western provinces. These notices contain the material of especial interest to the Pacific Northwest. While much more condensed than in the former annual reviews, the comments are pointed and touch the most important phase of each contribution.

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*Report of the Governor of Alaska, 1919.* By THOMAS RIGGS, JR. (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1919. Pp. 134.)

As is required by law the Governor of Alaska makes his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior. In this case the report is a complaint and an appeal—a complaint of neglect and an appeal for justice or fair play at the hands of Congress. Recent news dispatches show that some of the appeal is being listened to and for that reason a quotation is selected from the Governor's introduction to reveal the spirit of appreciation:

"While much that herein appears may seem critical, it must not be thought that the people of Alaska are not keenly alive to, and appreciative of, the few constructive measures which have been inaugurated by the Federal Government. The governmentally constructed and operated railroad between Seward and Fairbanks will open up a vast territory to exploitation and settlement; slowly, very slowly, aids to navigation and coast surveys are lessening marine perils; the scientific bureaus of the executive departments are rendering undoubted help to the prospector, the miner, and to the

farmer; patrols of small naval craft have cooperated with other authority in the suppression of lawlessness and the several fatal epidemics of influenza; the military cable and telegraph lines are invaluable. But I sincerely believe that, unless the Government pursues a most liberal policy in connection with the development of Alaska, the Territory can never reach that stage of productiveness for which there is every possibility and so become one of the great sources of revenue now so greatly needed in this period of national readjustment.

"We hold out our hands to Washington, not as supplicants for bounty but in petition for permission to be allowed to develop as were the greatest western Territories, now the great western States."

In addition to an array of valuable information in tabulated and narrative form the book carries an important and up-to-date map.

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*Washington State Good Roads Association.* By N. B. COFFMAN.  
(Chehalis: By the Association, 1919, Pp. 9.)

This slender pamphlet contains the address given by N. B. Coffman, president, at the twentieth annual convention of the Washington State Good Roads Association at Yakima, September 1-2, 1919. It was ordered printed and distributed by unanimous vote of the convention. The address gives a review of the work done and the plans for the future. The final page of the pamphlet gives the list of the new officers, with J. J. Donovan, of Bellingham, as president, and announces the next convention to be held at Everett, in 1920.

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*Memorial Addresses on James H. Brady.* By SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES. (Washington Joint Committee on Printing 1919. Pp. 121.)

Memorial services were held for James H. Brady, late a Senator from Idaho, in the Senate on January 19, 1919, and in the House of Representatives on January 26, 1919. The eulogies there spoken, the tributes offered with the amplified proceedings, resolutions and prayers are collected into a beautiful memorial volume which should be saved by those interested in the history of the Northwest. The opening address is by his colleague from Idaho Senator Borah who gave a brief historical sketch and probably ex-