

pressed the feeling of all in his concluding sentences as follows:

"His death was a peculiarly sad one. Just entering upon his second term as Senator, while yet a comparatively young man, with a beautiful and happy home, the future seemed full of promise. But it was at this time that the dread summons came, and he, responding with the same cheerfulness, the same uncomplaining fortitude, went with the silent messenger to the undiscovered country."

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*The British Side of the Restoration of Fort Astoria.* By KATHARINE B. JUDSON. (Portland: Oregon Historical Society, 1920. Pp. 44.)

In this reprint from Volume XX., numbers 3 and 4 of the *Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society* are given two articles by Katharine B. Judson of the Western Reserve Historical Society of Cleveland, Ohio. The author was fortunate enough to secure a number of illuminating documents from the Public Records Office, and the Hudson's Bay Company records at London. Miss Judson intimates that we are soon to have this and other materials collected by her in larger and more permanent book form.

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*Progress of Purchase of Eastern National Forests.* By the NATIONAL FOREST RESERVATION COMMISSION. (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1920. Pp. 23.)

Not many who live in the West and who are familiar with the country's great areas in National Forests are aware of the vigorous movement to acquire such National Forests in the East. This folio pamphlet gives the information. The work is being done under the Act of Congress of March 1, 1911 (The Weeks Law.) This law carried an appropriation of \$11,000,000. The purpose was to secure lands not suited for agriculture, on which an effort would be made to safeguard supplies of spruce and hardwoods. The status of the purchase program is told by the Commission as follows:

"There have been located under the Weeks law in nine States in the very important hardwood and spruce regions of the Appalachians and White Mountains 21 purchase areas, on 17 of which purchases have been authorized by the National Forest Reservation Commission. These purchase areas have an area of nearly 7,000,000 acres, including some interior farming land. Since the purchase program was developed, other States, including Kentucky,