

A History of Minnesota. By WILLIAM WATTS FOLWELL. (Saint Paul: Minnesota Historical Society, 1921, Pp. 533.)

This is the first volume of the promised four-volume work on Minnesota's history. The author is President Emeritus of the University of Minnesota. He says that he wrote an historical sketch for the Jubilee number of a local newspaper. This led to an invitation to write a volume for the "American Commonwealth" series. That resulted in the preparation of a greatly enlarged manuscript which he offered to the Minnesota Historical Society saying: "I thought that I might thus crown a long life of public service by a much-needed contribution to the historical literature of the state which has given me a home for more than fifty years."

Solon J. Buck, Superintendent of the Society, in an editor's introduction says: "For over seventy years the Minnesota Historical Society has been garnering the materials for the history of the state. As a result of Dr. Folwell's industry and generosity, the society now has the privilege of publishing a four-volume *History of Minnesota* based in large part on those materials. The present volume deals with the period of beginnings—the span of almost two centuries from the coming of the first white men to the organization of Minnesota as a state in 1857."

It is pleasant to note how the love and respect for history is fruiting in a sister State. Mr. Buck says friends may obtain copies of the book as long as the supply lasts through membership in the Minnesota Historical Society.

Excavation of a Site at Santiago Ahwitzotla, Federal District of

Mexico. By ALFRED M. TOZZER. (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1921, Pp. 56 and plates.)

The Aztecs and Toltecs are always interesting to ethnologists and historians. This Bulletin 74 of the Bureau of American Ethnology adds a valuable chapter to the general theme. The numerous high grade illustrations enhance the value of the report.

Firearms in American History. By CHARLES WINTHROP SAWYER. (Boston: The Cornhill Company. Pp. 237. \$4.00.)

Our Rifles, 1800 to 1920. By CHARLES WINTHROP SAWYER. (Boston: The Cornhill Company, 1920. Pp. 409. \$4.50.)

These are works in a general series entitled "The Firearms in