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*Vancouver and His Great Voyage.* By G. H. ANDERSON. (Kings Lynn, England: Thew & Son, 1923. Pp. 91.)

This little booklet is colored with a feeling of affection. It emanates from the birthplace of the great English navigator and is intended as a tribute to him. It will be a precious item in the collections of Northwest Americana though it may be difficult to obtain. The editor of this *Quarterly* has been favored with a copy by Mr. Stanley A. Griffith, of Seattle, who received it from England.

The body of the pamphlet is in newspaper type and carries the line: "Reprinted from the *Lynn Advertiser*, 1922." In ten chapters of close writing is told the "Story of A Norfolk Sailor." Something of the spirit of the writing is shown toward the end in a paragraph as follows:

"It is a pity that the man whose name has been given to an important island, to one city in Canada and to another in the United States, should not in his native town have been commemorated by the naming of some street or place. A good opportunity is now offered to remedy this by the making of the proposed new road from the South Gate, which might very well be called Vancouver Road."

The author gives the inscription on the monument at Nootka Sound, erected in 1903 by the Washington University State Historical Society which publishes this *Quarterly*. Of course Mr. Anderson could have had no knowledge that in August, 1924, a larger and finer monument would be unveiled at the same place on Vancouver Island with ample ceremonies under the auspices of the Historic Sites and Monument Board of Canada.

Another evidence of affection is the author's selection of illustrations and additional materials for the preliminary pages of the pamphlet. The frontispiece is a reproduction of the Lemuel F. Abbott portrait of Vancouver. There are three pictures from the birthplace of Vancouver's mother, one from his own birthplace, one of his ship, the *Discovery*, on the rocks in Queen Charlotte Sound, and a view of the Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C., with a statue of Vancouver surmounting the dome. There is reproduced the poem, "To Vancouver's Memory," by Dr. Laurence

Rentoul, of Melbourne University. There are also two pages of facts and a diagram of Vancouver's birthplace in King's Lynn.

Vancouver's fame is in the ascendant. This valuable gleaning and publishing of facts at his birthplace will enable all subsequent writers to make more human biographies of the man.

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*The Acquisition and Pioneering of Old Oregon.* By CLARENCE B. BAGLEY. (Seattle: Argus Print, 1924. Pp. 41.)

A fresh historical item from the pen of Clarence B. Bagely is always welcome. The present is a beautiful, wide margined brochure richly illustrated. In telling the story with evident care he gives us the hint that it may be the last of its kind. On page 40 he says: "Of all those who, for seventy years or more, have lived and studied and written the history of this great Northwest only three survive—Ezra Meeker, George H. Himes and the writer."

The book closes with a sort of good-bye entitled "Author's Note." It is reproduced here for two reasons. First, it tells the purpose of the present publication; second, it carries a rather unique farewell from a real pioneer.

"The chief purpose of this monograph is to present briefly how Old Oregon became a part of our national domain, the impelling motives and causes of the great migration hither of seventy or eighty years ago, of the difficulties and dangers of the march of two thousand miles over mountains and across deserts, of pioneer conditions and experiences, with the gradual evolution of the country into separate states, each prosperous and in the present enjoyment of all that goes to make up twentieth century civilization.

"'Along the Old Oregon Trail' has long been a fruitful theme for writers and will long continue, but it is doubtful if any other participant in the great hejira of nearly three-quarters of a century ago will hereafter give to the public his experiences."

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*Community Forces: A Study of the Non-Partisan Municipal Elections in Seattle.* By R. D. MCKENZIE. (*The Journal of Social Forces*, January, March, May, 1924. Pp. 24.)

Professor McKenzie says: "Seattle affords unusually interesting data for a study of community forces. In the first place it is the youngest of our large cities, having in a single generation grown from a small village to a city of about 320,000 inhabitants.