

Bligh of the "Bounty." By GEOFFREY RAWSON. (London: Philip Allan and Company, 1930. Pp. 244. 10s 6d.)

The Pacific Rim is a general theme of interest and study on the Pacific Coast of America. No small portion of such interest attaches to Captain Bligh, the mutiny on his ship *Bounty* and the experiences of the mutineers and their descendants on Pitcairn Island. Some of the materials used by Mr. Rawson came from that Island. He says, on page 32: "A quarter of a century later, when M.H.S. Briton found the mutineers' descendants at Pitcairn Island, the volumes, containing a number of marginal notes in Bligh's handwriting, were produced by the islanders, and this apparently is the copy since found, after many years, in the Admiralty Library."

Captain Bligh had many other mishaps in his long career here recorded in straightforward style.

The Tide's Secret. By REED FULTON. (Garden City, N.Y.: Doubleday, Doran and Company, 1930. Pp. 281. \$2.00.)

The author has won a large and enthusiastic following among young readers in the Pacific Northwest with such former stories as *The Powder Dock Mystery*, *Moccasin Trail*, and *Davy Jones's Locker*. This story is about two youthful managers of Island Inn and the adventures encountered with smugglers, rum-runners and an Indian medicine man.

Twelfth Biennial Report. By THE TRUSTEES. (Boise: State Historical Society of Idaho, 1930. Pp. 132.)

Reports of officers, lists of accessions and necrology are supplemented with articles and illustrations of historic value. The illustrations include a number of Indian pictographs, a field of study now attracting attention in the State of Washington and elsewhere in the Northwest.

Salt Desert Trails. By CHARLES KELLY. (Salt Lake City: Western Printing Company, 1930. Pp. 183. \$3.00.)

Readers may obtain an idea of the scope and purpose of this book from its subtitle: "A History of the Hastings Cutoff and other trails which crossed the Great Salt Desert seeking a shorter road to California."