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Public Documents.

Charles W. Smith, Assistant Librarian of the University of Washington, has contributed a valuable paper to the *Library Journal* on "Public Documents as a Library Resource." Appreciation of the article was shown by the editors of that official organ of the American Library Association when they gave it first place in the issue for May, 1907. Mr. Smith is preparing an article along similar lines with special reference to history for this *Quarterly*, to appear in an early issue.