

celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Columbia River. When that address was given in 1892, Mr. Fiske believed the "Whitman saved Oregon" story. In that form the address was published in the *Portland Oregonian*, of May 12, 1892. After that Mr. Fiske was led by W. I. Marshall of Chicago to make further investigations. These, in turn, caused him to revise his address and it is this revision that appears in the delayed pamphlet.

A discussion of the two versions of the Fiske address by Leslie M. Scott may be found in *The Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society*, Volume XIII., Number 2 (June, 1912). Pp. 160-174.

EARLY OKANOGAN HISTORY. By William C. Brown. (Okanogan, Okanogan Independent, 1912. Pp. 27.)

In this neat and attractive booklet, Mr. Brown has told the story of the first settlement under the America flag in the area that has since become the State of Washington. That settlement was made by members of the Astoria party at the mouth of the Okanogan River on September 1, 1811. The centennial of that event was celebrated in a modest way and this little book resulted from the preparations for that celebration. Mr. Brown has here rendered the State a distinct and useful service. It would be a great boon to the cause of history in the Northwest if his example were followed by capable students and writers in other communities.

The cover-pages carry two important illustrations—a portrait of John Jacob Astor and a picture of the Hudson's Bay Company's fort that succeeded the Astor fort at the mouth of the Okanogan River.

LOOKING FORWARD, THE STORY OF THE UPPER SKAGIT. A supplement of the *Concrete Enterprise*, Concrete, Washington, 1913.

In this eighty-four page pamphlet, Editor Louis Jacobin tells something of the history and much of the ambitions of those who are developing the resources of the rich Skagit Valley. The work is profusely illustrated and is worthy a place in the archives of this rapidly expanding commonwealth.

SEATTLE CONTRASTS. By The Emblem Club of Bend, Oregon.

This is frankly an advertisement by the promoters of a new town-site in Oregon, but it is unique enough to merit mention. It contains no advertising whatever, except the very modest imprint of The Emblem Club as publishers. The book is a series of full-page pictures. The upper part of each picture is a modern view of some Seattle scene and the lower

part of that page is the same scene from two to thirty years before, as the case may be. In each case the contrast is wonderfully striking. As letter press explanation would be superfluous, it has been dispensed with and the fortunate owner of the booklet is permitted to allow the pictures to tell their own stories. It is hardly necessary to add that the pictures are worth saving to mark how the contrasts will increase as the city continues to grow.

THE LAND OF ICE AND SNOW, OR, ADVENTURES IN ALASKA. By Edwin J. Houston, A. M., Ph. D. (Philadelphia, The Griffith & Rowland Press, 1912. Pp. 412. \$1.25.)

This is Volume VI. in The Young Mineralogist Series, the six volumes being undertaken to give young Americans some information about the geology and minerals in an attractive form. In writing this interesting story of Alaska the distinguished author avows the help he obtained from the writings of others, especially those by Major-General Greely.

WRITINGS OF JOHN QUINCY ADAMS. Edited by Worthington Chauncey Ford. (New York, The Macmillan Company, 1913. Vol. I., 1779-1796. Pp. 508. \$3.50 net.)

This important set of works will have a distinct interest for readers in the Old Oregon Country. John Quincy Adams, Henry Clay, and Albert Gallatin were three statesmen who persisted in friendly services on behalf of Oregon from the Treaty of Ghent, 1814, to the end of each of their lives. This first volume carries the work only to 1796. It is hoped the editor will give ample space in subsequent volumes to the statesman's farseeing policy toward Oregon. The book is well made, bound in blue cloth, gilt top and has as frontispiece a fine reproduction of the Copley portrait of 1795.

A CHECK LIST OF AMERICAN EIGHTEENTH CENTURY NEWSPAPERS IN THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. By John Van Ness Ingram, compiler. (Washington, Government Printing Office, 1912. Pp. 186.)

A LIST OF NEWSPAPERS IN THE VIRGINIA STATE LIBRARY, CONFEDERATE MUSEUM AND VALENTINE MUSEUM. By Mrs. Kate Pleasants Minor and Miss Susie B. Harrison, compilers. (Richmond, Virginia State Library, 1912. Pp. 425.)

NEWSPAPER FILES IN THE LIBRARY OF THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WISCONSIN, annotated catalogue of. Compiled by Ada