

fever, and all the morbidity that has been hooted at me, have not dimmed my glacial eyes, and I care to live only to entice people to look at Nature's loveliness.' How gloriously he fulfilled the promise of his early manhood! Fame, all unbidden, wore a path to his door, but he always remained a modest, unspoiled mountaineer."

The professor also pays a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Marion Randall Parsons, close friend of the great naturalist, who had worked much with him and knew well the pencilled notes on the manuscripts. "The labor involved," says the preface, "was the greater in order that the finished work might exhibit the last touches of Muir's master-hand, and yet contain nothing that did not flow from his pen. All readers of this book will feel grateful for her labor of love."

The contents of the volume are divided into two parts, one giving the trip to Alaska in 1879 including the wonderful experiences that resulted in the discovery of the great glacier since called by his name and also in the writing of the American classic, the little dog story called "Stickeen." The other part of the book gives the trip of 1880, the most charming portion of which is "My sled-trip on the Muir Glacier."

Those who love the out-of-doors in the great far west and especially the numerous hosts who already know the writings of John Muir will greet with keen delight this new volume. They will also rejoice over the promise in the preface of further salvage from the naturalist's unpublished writings.

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WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS,  
Volume II, 1907-1914. (Olympia, Public Printer, 1915. Pp. 483.)

The appearance of this book was noted in the *Washington Historical Quarterly*, Volume VI, pages 284-285. As there stated, it is to tie by publication, the work of the Society back to its former publication in 1906.

The book carries thirty illustrations, mostly portraits. Following the lists of officers and committees, the book contains eight chapters or parts as follows: History of the Washington State Historical Society, Dedication Exercises of the Monuments Erected by the Washington State Historical Society, Unveiling of the Statues of Francis W. Cushman and Robert L. McCormick, Documents Relating to Other Historical Events, Papers Relating to the History of the State of Washington, Papers Relating to Mt. Tacoma-Rainier, Biographical, The Tacoma Research Club of the State Historical Society.

A few of these need further comment. The documents relating to other historical events are an account of the reception to Ezra Meeker on his return from recrossing the continent with an ox team, golden anniver-

sary of the *Washington Standard*, addresses by Secretary W. H. Gilstrap at the dedication of the monument to Robert Gray and the tablet at the end of the Oregon trail, and addresses at the banquet to Gen. Hazard Stevens. The papers relating to history of the State of Washington are the story of the Indian attack on Seattle, by Lucile W. Hewitt; notes on early wagon roads, by Secretary Gilstrap; reminiscent article, by Gen. J. C. Strong; notes by Secretary Gilstrap of interviews with Mr. Van Ogle, of Orting, relating to the Naches Pass emigrants and the Indian wars; Washington Territory's first legislature, by Allen Weir, of Olympia; the anti-Chinese riots of 1885. The papers relating to "Mt. Tacoma-Rainier" are the first ascent, a reprint of the article by Gen. Hazard Stevens in the *Atlantic Monthly* for November, 1876; Indian superstitions of the mountain, by Rev. P. F. Hylebos; letters relating to the naming of the mountain is an interesting collection of letters written by and to Benjamin L. Harvey of Tacoma in an effort to substantiate the claim that Tacoma was the Indian name for Mount Rainier.

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THE MOUNTAINEER, VOLUME VIII, 1915. Edited by Winona Bailey. (Seattle, The Mountaineers, Incorporated, 1915. Pp. 188. 50 cents.)

The annual volume of this organization is always prized by those who love the grandeur of the mountains. This year the book is devoted to the Mount Rainier National Park. For the first time a large party circled the great peak at or near snow line. The book has an unusual wealth of beautiful illustrations and also a body of literature of real and historic value.

The accounts of the trip around the mountain will in time be much sought for, but probably the most striking feature of the book is a sheaf of greetings from General Hazard Stevens, P. B. Van Trump, Bailey Willis, Ben Longmire, E. S. Ingraham, H. M. Sarvant, J. B. Flett, C. V. Piper and F. E. Matthes, dating from the first successful ascent of Mount Rainier to the recent careful survey by the Government. One needs only to reflect on how precious would be a similar group of writings about any of the great mountains of Europe to realize how unique and valuable is this collection made while the pioneers are still living.

Miss Ruth Hanna has an article giving in brief summary the information about the earliest ascents which had been given at the campfires of the summer outing. G. F. Allen describes the forest types of the park, Professor Edwin J. Saunders gives the geological story of Mount Rainier, F. E. Matthes, of the United States Geological Survey, tells of the survey of the park and the measurement of the mountain, fixing the height definitely