

that have been acquired. It is a cross between a guide book and an elementary history of the Alaska Indian tribes. Numerous illustrations add to the value of the booklet.

The English Traveler in America, 1785-1835. By JANE LOUISE MESICK. (New York: Columbia University Press, 1922. Pp. 370. \$2.50.)

This volume does not fall within the geographical area of the Pacific Coast. Its contents nevertheless should prove of interest to students of Western history since it throws light on early travel to the West. The experiences of the emigrant and the traveller had much in common. The returned traveller gave out the information which encouraged or retarded emigration to the West. The author of this monography has made use of the publications of the best known English travellers during the period covered and has made useful generalizations upon conditions in the frontier settlements of the time.

Students' History of the Northwest and the State of Washington
By LAURA B. DOWNEY BARTLETT. Volume I. (Tacoma: Smith-Digby Company, 1922. Pp. 232.)

The need for a good grammar school history of the State of Washington has been long apparent. There has been and is a similar need for a documentary source book covering the history of the Pacific Northwest for the use of high schools and colleges. The present volume by Mrs. Bartlett appears to have been compiled for the purpose of filling both needs within the compass of one volume.

As a history, the work lacks proportion. No less than twenty-eight pages are devoted to preliminaries: title page, contents, pre-amble, two notes of appreciation and an index to epochs. Twelve pages are given over to a history of the United States before 1776 and an equal amount of space is devoted to biographies of the Presidents. Of the limited space left for the Pacific Northwest, seventeen are given to Astoria and fourteen to Lewis and Clark, while many important topics are barely mentioned.

As a source book, little of the material, barring the Constitution of Washington, comes within the scope of the book. Thirty-five pages are employed to reproduce in full the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation and the Constitution of the United States. That it should take forty-four

pages to print the Constitution of the State of Washington with the Amendments illustrates the difficulty of carrying out the apparent design of the book within the limits of a small volume.

The combination of sourcebook and history is not to be commended since the documentary material can hardly be of use before the high school, whereas the stories and precepts of the volumes are not beyond the calibre of grade pupils.

The Trans-Mississippi West, 1803-1853. By CARDINAL GOODWIN. (New York: D. Appleton and Company, 1922. Pp. 528. \$3.50.)

The author is Professor of American History in Mills College. He dedicates the volume "To Herbert Eugene Bolton and to the group of young scholars who owe their love of western history to the inspiration and training which they received from his instruction."

The book will have an interest in the Pacific Northwest. Three of the fourteen chapters are devoted to "Early Claims to Oregon," "The Settlement of the Oregon Country," and "Oregon Diplomacy Through 1846."

Bibliographical notes at the end of each chapter will give the volume a value in academic work. This was part of the author's plan for he wrote in his preface: "There has been a growing interest in the western history of the United States during the last few years. Several colleges have introduced courses in the subject and the number is increasing. It is hoped that classes organized for such study will find this volume helpful."

The general reader will also find Professor Goodwin's book interesting and worth while. He has equipped it with maps, foot-notes and an adequate index.

Canada, Descriptive Atlas. By HON. CHARLES STEWART, Minister of Immigration and Colonization. (Ottawa: Government, 1922. Pp. 81.)

The numerous maps are copyrighted by Rand, McNally & Company of Chicago and evidently the attractive book was made by that well known firm for the Canadian Government. As indicated by the title the book is intended to attract settlers. It will undoubtedly serve that purpose well. In clear, large type the text tells a direct story and the numerous half-tone illustrations will furnish lures for tourists, settlers, investors and sportsmen. The