

He was rescued in 1849 and two of his Japanese pupils became interpreters for Matthew Calbraith Perry during that American sailor's famous "opening" of Japan. In 1853, while visiting his father's home at St. Andrews, Quebec, he left his original manuscript with a family friend, Malcolm McLeod, a barrister of Ottawa. Ranald MacDonald returned to old Fort Colville. Several copies of the manuscript were made. Many publishers in England and America were appealed to in vain. Mr. MacDonald tried to raise the money to pay for the publication. His own copy of the manuscript was loaned to A. D. Burnett, a newspaper man of Spokane, who might help to get it published. On Mr. MacDonald's death that copy fell into the keeping of the society at Spokane. When Malcolm McLeod died his copy of the manuscript and correspondence about it were obtained by the Provincial Library, at Victoria, British Columbia. The present editors have carefully compared all these documents.

In the meantime, Mrs. Eva Emery Dye, of Oregon City, corresponded with Mr. MacDonald and later obtained from the Provincial Library a copy of the manuscript, which she used in preparing her own book, *MacDonald of Oregon*.

Besides reproducing MacDonald's own story, the present editors have amassed quantities of helpful materials, such as a biographical sketch, abundant footnotes, sixteen valuable illustrations, three maps, an appendix of historic documents bearing on the Japanese experience, a bibliography and an index. The book is well printed and substantially bound. One thousand copies were issued. These are being taken by libraries and subscribing individuals.

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Bering's Voyages, An Account of the Efforts of the Russians to Determine the Relations of Asia and America. By F. A. GOLDER. (New York: American Geographic Society, 1922. Pp. 371.)

Much of the world's surface was made known by the adventuresome work of discoverers and explorers during the eighteenth century. Those who wrought under the flags of England and of France had their work given to the world in the substantial books of that era. Few such monuments were reared for those who sailed under the flags of Spain and Russia. This fact has given Professor Golder the opportunity of filling one of the most greivous

gaps by this publication of the log books and official reports of Bering's two expeditions covering the years 1725-1730 and 1733-1742.

With admirable self restraint the author has compressed the first or introductory chapter into five pages, leaving the balance of the book for the translations of log books and documents. The old explorers tell their own story of discovering the northwest coasts of America. For all time those fundamental documents will be useful to students, writers and readers seeking such information. Footnotes, added materials and a bibliographic note increase the value of the book. One other feature of especial value is the chart of the tracks and landfalls of the two ships in the second expedition. This chart was made by Captain E. P. Bertholf, formerly Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, who was an authority on the waters and shores of Bering Sea and the North Pacific Ocean. Professor Golder deems that chart a distinct contribution to science.

The American Geographical Society has begun a Research Series, of which this book is Number 1. It is ready for immediate delivery although it is to be associated with a companion volume, entitled, *G. W. Steller's Journal of the Sea Voyage from Kamchatka to America on the Second Expedition*, translated and edited by Leonhard Stejneger, of the United States Museum, and Professor Golder. This second volume is to appear late in 1923. The volumes will not be sold separately. The price of the two volumes is \$8, or to libraries, \$7. The address of the publishers, American Geographical Society, is Broadway at 156th Street, New York.

The Call of the Mountains. By LE ROY JEFFERS. (New York: Dodd, Mead and Company, 1923. Pp. 282.)

Chapter IV. is entitled, "On the Oregon Coast" and Chapter V., "Mount Rainier, Our Greatest Snow Peak." The author's great pleasure in the high places is beautifully told and he has assembled one hundred and one splendid pictures for illustrations. The frontispiece is a picture in colors of Mount Rainier.

Tillicums of the Trail. By REV. GEORGE C. F. PRINGLE. (Toronto: McClelland & Stewart, 1922. Pp. 253.)

On the Western Front in the Great War, "Padre" Pringle's Klondike stories were in great demand. After the war, he was prompted to put the stories into the form of a book. It will be