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years, has had a chance to collect at first hand and from pioneers these *Indian Stories and Legends*, twenty-eight in all. This little "first edition" impresses one with the evident sincerity of Mr. Bruseth. The stories are well worth saving. He deserves to be encouraged to collect more legends from the original sources and publish them.

Indian Legends from the Land of Al-ay-ek-sa. By HARRIET

ROSSITER. (Ketchikan, Alaska: E. C. Howard, 1925. Pp. 31.) In transmitting a copy of her book, the author wrote: "I interviewed a great many Indians in order to get the information contained in the book as accurate as possible. The Indian names and their meaning I secured from perfectly reliable sources." As would be expected, totem poles and war canoes embellish these legends from Alaska. The little booklet gives promise of becoming a prized item among those who collect Alaskana.

Thirty-ninth Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology, 1917-1918. (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1925. Pp. 636.)

Fortieth Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology, 1918-1919. (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1925. Pp. 664.)

These two reports in the valuable series carry the usual recapitulation of work by the Bureau in the first thirty pages and the bulk of each large volume is given to what is called the "Accompanying Paper." In the first one the special study is "The Osage Tribe: Rite of Vigil," by Francis La Flesche. The special contribution in the second volume consists of five papers by Truman Michelson discussing rites, customs and societies of Fox Indians.

Canadian History, A Syllabus and Guide to Reading. By REGINALD

GEORGE TROTTER. (New York: The Macmillan Company, 1926. Pp. 162.)

Professor Trotter, now of Queen's University, was formerly a member of the faculty at Stanford University where he first prepared the syllabus from which this book has grown. Pages 109-115 contain the portion most closely applicable to the Pacific Northwest. Those pages contain subdivision XVII., entitled "The West Before Federation." The outline is followed by references to books and periodicals. Like other similar works, this one is likely to go through many editions if it should prove acceptable as a teaching tool.

British Columbia Historical Association: Third Annual Report and Proceedings. Edited by Professor W. N. SAGE. (Victoria, British Columbia: Provincial Library and Archives, 1926. Pp. 66.)

In addition to lists of officers and members, the Secretary's report and introduction by the editor, there are the following items in this issue: "Unveiling of Monuments Erected by Historic Sites and Monuments Board; Sir Alexander Mackenzie, by Judge F. W. Howay; Speech at Yale, by Judge Murphy; Annual Presidential Address, by Judge F. W. Howay; Pacific Station and Esquimalt Naval Establishment, by Major F. V. Longstaff; The Colonial Postal Service of Vancouver Island and British Columbia, by A. Stanley Deaville; Notes and Reviews, by the Editor."

British Columbia Provincial Museum of Natural History, Report for the Year 1925. By FRANCIS KERMODE, Director. (Victoria, British Columbia: The Museum, 1926. Pp. 38.)

A healthy and substantial growth is recorded for the year. Many specimens and publications were added. A total of 58,149 were checked as visitors during the year. Two items are especially noted: The interest taken by the late Dr. C. F. Newcombe in the Museum has been carried on by his son Mr. W. A. Newcombe, especially in the conchological section. On the last page is a beautiful "In Memoriam" tribute to the late Charles Vancouver Piper, who recently died after attaining great fame as a botanist. Professor Piper was a native of Victoria and a graduate of the University of Washington.

Teaching Wyoming History by Counties. By GRACE RAYMOND HEBARD. (Laramie: Wyoming Department of Education, 1926. Pp. 63.)

This is a revised edition of the Wyoming Department of Education Bulletin No. 9, Series B. The author is Professor of Political Economy in the University of Wyoming. She has long shown industrious interest in the local history of Wyoming. She starts this Bulletin with an explanatory list of eighty-four books, each carefully numbered. An alphabetical list of the counties follows, each one having an outline with the authorities listed by