

PACIFIC NORTHWEST AMERICANA

Harrison's "Guide"

Readers of this department may be interested in a pamphlet which has recently been donated to Professor Edmond S. Meany. The cover page reads: *Harrison's Guide and Resources of the Pacific Slope. Part I, embracing Washington Territory, giving a Minute Description of its Lands and Facilities for Settlement, Land Laws, Climate, Resources, etc.* By J. M. Harrison. (San Francisco: M. D. Carr and Co., 1872. Pp. 35).

An examination of the text of this sprightly pamphlet reveals much interesting data. The following quotations are drawn from the descriptive matter relating to Olympia and Seattle, the two chief towns of the Territory. Speaking of Olympia, the author says: "This city, the capital of Washington Territory, is built on Budd's Inlet, the head of steamboat navigation on Puget Sound. Its population has materially increased in the past year, and now exceeds sixteen hundred. It contains about three hundred and fifty dwelling houses, four churches, one telegraph station, one post office, one public and three private schools, three hotels, a Town Hall, a Masonic Lodge, a Good Templars' and an Odd Fellows' Hall, one public library and reading room, a jail, a bank and a bath house."

Scarcely less circumstantial is the following: "Seattle is situated on a gentle slope of high land fronting on Elliott's Bay and contains about sixteen hundred inhabitants. The Territorial University is located here and is one of the finest buildings in the Territory. There are also four churches, one large public school building, several hotels, a tannery, two drug stores, quite a number of dry goods, grocery and provision stores—two or three of which do a wholesale business, (having lost our notes in regard to this thriving place we cannot state the exact number); also two newspaper offices, the *Weekly Intelligencer* and *Seattle Times*."

A portion of the title page has been torn away but enough remains to show that the *Guide* was issued in five parts, the other four relating to Idaho, Oregon, Nevada and California. No copies were located in the Checklist of *Pacific Northwest Americana*. Bancroft lists what appears to be the complete *Guide* in his *Wash-*

ington, Idaho and Montana under the title: *Harrison's Guide, etc., of the Pacific Slope* (San Francisco, 1872). The item is not found in other bibliographies consulted. Owners of this item either in parts or in complete form will confer a favor by reporting their holdings to this magazine.

Further Note on Zimmermann's Cook

In the July issue of this department, mention was made of the acquisition by the University of Washington Library of a copy of the first edition of Zimmermann's *Reise um die Welt mit Captain Cook*. Correspondence with a considerable number of large libraries since that time has failed to reveal any other copy in the United States. One copy of the second German edition is now available in British Columbia and a copy of the first edition is to be found in the Turnbull Library at Wellington, New Zealand.

The discovery of two copies of this work recently has caused a revival of interest in the item. The *Chicago Tribune Ocean Times* for June 22, 1926, contains an article regarding Zimmermann and the copy of his book in the Wellington Library. *The Living Age* for July 10, 1926, reproduces in English translation a portion of the volume giving an account of Captain Cook's death. This article was in turn based upon an account in the *Frankfurter Zeitung* of May 25, 1926, and was prefaced with the remark that the book was long supposed to have been irretrievably lost. Judge F. W. Howay of New Westminster in cooperation with Mr. French of Victoria, B. C., has in hand the republication of this book in a bilingual edition, German and English, together with historical notes.

Jewitt's Narrative

Elsewhere in this issue is to be found a bibliographical note by Judge Howay relating to Jewitt's famous *Narrative*. This list contains thirteen editions of Jewitt's classic or five more than the number to be found in the Checklist of *Pacific Northwest Americana*. Of the thirteen, Judge Howay is the fortunate owner of eleven editions. Private collections such as this add very materially to the bibliographical resources of the Pacific Northwest. A union checklist of the private collections is doubtless far in the future but one cannot help wishing it were possible to secure a union list of rare privately owned books not to be found in the public libraries of the region.