

bers of his family has gone into the making of this book. There has gone into it also many years of labor made difficult by diminishing vision. The author acknowledges help from many sources but the book is quite clearly his own in its final form. He knows that Clark has been the subject of misunderstandings and bitter-nesses in more than a century of books and papers. With commendable industry he has uncovered documents and to these he has clung with a perseverance that must convince his readers. Some of the abuses of Clark are traced back to the very time of the Ohio Valley campaigns of the Revolution.

Clark retained the friendship and support of Thomas Jefferson to the end of his life. One of the most interesting portions of this book is the correspondence (pages 360-363) between those two in regard to the younger brother, William Clark, and his part in the Lewis and Clark Expedition to the Pacific.

The author found much helpful material in the Draper Collection of Manuscripts in the possession of the Wisconsin State Historical Society and closes his narrative by quoting from a letter written by Doctor Lyman Draper: "The life services of Genl. Clark have so long been a subject of profound study with me, that I have long learned to reverence him as I never have any other public character. It is my earnest desire, that I may be spared to complete the work devoted to his memory and services, for which I have been over thirty years gathering materials."

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*Slaveholding in North Carolina; An Economic View.* By ROSSER HOWARD TAYLOR. (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1926. Pp. 103.)

A considerable literature has developed about the institution of slavery in North Carolina. The present monograph is prepared from the economic rather than the political or social standpoint. The author gives acknowledgment to Professor U. B. Phillips under whose direction the work was done.

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*Diary of the Overland Trail, 1849, and Letters, 1849-50.* By CAPTAIN DAVID DEWOLF. (Springfield, Illinois: Transactions of the Illinois State Historical Society, 1925. Pp. 183-222.)

Here is a newly printed narrative of a trip across the plains to California in 1849. The period covered is from May 2 to October 16. Following the diary is a series of letters revealing life in California in 1849 and 1850. The material was contributed to the Illinois State Historical Society by Edwin E. Cox, a grand-