

WOMEN'S CLUBS Edited by MRS. SARAH A. EVANS WOMEN'S WORK

Oregon History: Report of Chairman O. F. W. C.

An chairman of the Oregon history committee... It is with regret that I present this meager report...

Circular letters were sent to each literary club in the state asking for a ready response... Answers came with surprising promptness...

Since committees can come in touch with the clubs in no other way than by correspondence, this course is both unkind and unwise...

And now, a few words about the work of the coming year may not be amiss...

first settled the land—who bore the burdens and faced the dangers incident to pioneer life... In this iconoclastic age, ideals need to be buttressed by reverence and faith...

Anna Adams Gordon, Loyal Friend, Noble Woman. Though lacking in the dramatic incident which has made famous the friendship of David and Jonathan...

New Book by Well Known Journalist. It is with profound pleasure the women of Oregon have received the announcement that Mrs. A. B. Dunway's book has gone to press...

Anna Adams Gordon was born and reared in the historic shades of Boston... Her new book, which will come from the press of McClurg & Co., is to be beautifully illustrated in color...

This is not Mrs. Dunway's first published book... In 1875 in crossing the continent to attend the centennial of James Whitcomb Riley's birth...

Gordon, who is now vice-president of the National Woman's Christian union and honorable secretary of the world's organization, has also many strong elements of character that commend her to the confidence and trust of the rank and file as well as the leaders of the W. C. T. U.

Miss Gordon is a musician of no mean gifts, both in the interpretation of another's work and in the setting down of the sweet, quaint melodies to which her whole life seems attuned...

Anna Gordon. In the east she happened, with a number of prominent women, to be the guest one afternoon, at the home of Dr. Jennie M. Loefer...

Seven years ago the word 'culture' comprehended its broadest meaning, and a book was its symbol. One would imagine that society had no allment, spiritual or moral, that could not be relieved by a good dose of culture...

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quirement of a little more culture on the part of a limited number of fairly well educated women, but on the amount of leavening those women are enabled to impart to the mass...

Jewish Women Investigate Slum Districts. The Council of Jewish Women of Cook county, Illinois, has made a thorough investigation of the slum district of Chicago, with a view of determining the causes for the great prevalence in certain quarters of tuberculosis...

Club Program A Living Magazine. Growing tired of the serious things of life, a Chicago club last week gave a decidedly novel program, which was as witty and humorous as it was unique...

Coquille Club To do Good Work. Ever to the front in club spirit and enterprise, the Woman's Study club of Coquille presents for the year one of the neatest, most complete little year books in the state...

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GOSSIP OF SOME CURRENT BOOKS

THE HISTORY of North America, 1492-1763, by Bartlett Burchell James, Ph. D. Edited by Dr. Guy Carleton Lee. For systematic research and complete information on the period of American history...

What has been said of the first four volumes, each a complete history in itself, but collectively making a strong, compact, conscientious narrative...

To the early phases which embrace the myths and legends, there attaches the interest of romance. In the second phase our attention is held by the vagueness and uncertainty of the Norsemen's legends upon Iceland and Greenland...

From the New York Herald. The National museum may be seen an ordinary looking stone, which probably escapes the attention of most visitors, but which represents the question as to whether there may not exist in the world some stone like the one which is shown...

Prof. Langley brought this stone with him after having witnessed the spectacle of natives of the Fiji islands walking barefoot over white hot stones...

I saw the spectacle of fire walking in Tahiti. The essential question as to the actual heat of the stones had then, been satisfactorily answered, and after the fourth passage I secured Papa-Jia's (the principal performer), permission to remove from the middle of the pile one stone, which from its size and position, every foot had rested upon in crossing, and which was undoubtedly as hot as any of the others...

fifth introduces the "holy experiment" of Penn and the boundary disputes of Lord Baltimore; but the sixth, with which Professor James grapples, had its seat in regions distant and remote...

While the extent of the colonization of New England could not be compared with any of the other territories, in the life of the nation it outranks them all in importance.

Dr. Lee very truthfully says: "A study of his history throws light upon the most pressing and the most difficult problems that confront the historical student. These problems are as diverse as nature and as manifold as the actor."

Prof. Langley's stone follows just after the wonderful "burning" of Cairo, at that period, and in which many of the best young Virginians played an important part.

The author tells us that the personage of the story is fictitious, and its events are mainly facts, though veiled. Truth then is stranger than fiction and in the story the events carry the reader on and on through the most compelling scenes and interesting situations...

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"A Captain of the Ranks," by George Cary Eggleston. This book deals with a period in the history of the United States, not so threadbare as the civil war, which has been told in song and story until every detail of the battle has been made the turning point in the great issue between north and south.

"Out to Old Aunt Mary's," Christy Edition—This is one of the most touching and beautiful of the new gift books of the season.

"Monarch," the Big Bear—By Ernest Thompson-Seton. In this busy holiday time, when the leading question is, "What gift will be most acceptable?" there comes an answer in the form of a blue linen book, neatly and strongly bound, with the most attractive illustrations and best story imaginable.

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