

"History of the Great Americand these papers represent in a meas-can Fortunes," "History of Tammany," ure what I have enjoyed." etc., to need any introduction to the In closing his preface the author says: reading, thinking, studying body of "I have not attempted to interpret John American citizens. Mr. Myers has Burroughs. He is his own interpreter delved, as no other author has done, and the very best one. In writing the down into the bottom and beginning of things, and brought up the hidden what he meant to me. How he has aftruths of municipal, state and government affairs. That they have come up reeking with slime and mud is no fault of the author, and credit should be ac- to hear and a new heart with which to corded him, that he has thus courageously tried to clear the stream.

It is peculiarly apropos that at this time more should be known regarding our courts, particularly the court of last resort—the supreme court of the United States-the branch of the government, whose actions admit of no question.

In his preface the author says historical narrative of the supreme ments of human activity are subject, or tion, and the series of facts discovered become a definite part of knowledge to

hitherto penetrated into all other courts have been singularly exempt. That they have been immune from

been created a myth of fiction of supermundane superiority, is no reason why the case should continue so. On the contrary, the more their history and course have been shrouded in tradition and mystery, the more pressing is the necessity for learning and describing the actual facts. Only those who for sentimental or ulterior purposes would seek to disseminate fiction rather than \$1.25. facts can object to a serious inquiry into any institution and the collocation of verified facts. Such an objection at once discredits and disposes of itself in its obvious attack upon an attempt to suppress the facts from becoming public information.

have not, it is needless to say, been created by the author. Good, bad or indifferent, they are all matters of record; there they lie in the archives awaiting the patient and sincere research of the historical delver; and if nearly all of them are now presented for the first time that is not the fault of the factsbut constitutes a standing exposure of the superficial, if not designing partial character, of much of the extant work passed off as historical writing. Spurious as much of these writings are, destitute of the merit of even a disposition to plumb the truth, characterized by a desire to glorify the basest pasnow dawned when such works are going to the rubbish heaps or perhaps being regarded as singular curiosities of intellectual vassalage.

thermore, in taking a large survey of all of the men ascending to the supreme court of the United States had, as atterneys, served powerful individuals or corporations need occasion no undue comment. Understanding the development of modern society and its evolutionary transitions, we can clearly perceive that certain men skilled in the law had to do the indespensable legal work of capitalist interests, and whether this or that set of lawyers did it is immaterial historically. Able servitors of the ruling economic forces, it naturally followed that those forces controlling government, should select certain ideas is going on in the United States of those lawyers to go on the supreme court bench; and how completely consistently and accurately the personnel of the supreme court has represented the The

founder. Later he takes up each man the nature of government. who has sat on the supreme bench, showing from whence came his appointment and whither went his decisions; he cites specific cases, tracing them through every ramification, connecting every loose joint and atrengthening the charge in every particular. His criticisms are never severe or personal, but have a straightforward simplicity that carries conviction through every line.

Those who think that ex-President Roosevelt . uttered heretical doctrine when he advocated the judicial recall, would do well to read the story of the initiative, referedum and recall com supreme court of the United States, as bined). Mr. Myers presents it in this work. The book is not incendiary in any particular, nor is it calculated to overthrow this ancient institution, but it will appeal to the student of political, social and economic subjects as a book worthy of serious consideration. Charles H. Kerr & Co. Price \$1.50. /

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Court," by Gustavus Myers - great naturalist by a friend, who says; The author is too well known "My personal contact with John Bur-"My personal contact with John Burthrough his former works, roughs has meant a great deal to me,

> fected me and changed the course of my life. How he has given me new eyes love God's great out o' doors,"

There are eight essays, or papers, in the collection. Each one is an appreclation, from a different viewpoint, of the life, character and works of John Burroughs

One of the most interesting articles is on "Burroughs and Walt Whitman." It casts a beautiful light on the character of each in its relation to the other, "Neither is any explanation necessary saying: "John Burroughs has undoubtedas to why the author chose to write the ly interpreted Whitman better than any other critic, and unquestionably owes court of the United States. All depart- Whitman more than any one else. He has found in the post what so many should be, to scrutiny and investiga- others have found in Burroughs." Whitman does not to me suggest the wild and unkempt, as he seems to do be explored assembled and disseminated, many; he suggests the cosmic and the "Quite true," that while research has elemental. * . * He cherishes the hope that he had put into his 'Leaves' some branches of historical development, the of the tonic and fortifying qualities of nature in her more grand and primitive aspects." "From Whitman I am consearching inquiry; that around them has strained to believe," says Mr. De Loach, "Burroughs has drawn much of his primitive strength as a writer."

The author makes frequent quotations from John Burroughs' poems in illusration of style or to show some strong feeling or expression. As a whole it is a charming little volume and contains a number of interesting portraits and illustrations. Richard G. Badger. Price

"The Turnstile," by A. E. W. Mason-Doubtless some of the incidents of A. E. W. Mason's parliamentary career are reflected in his new novel, 'The Turnto bring out the truth and in its aim stile." Even an American reader feels that certain parliamentary leaders of recent years have contributed to the papers. His own "American History, The long roll of facts herein set forth making of these fictitious leaders. Probably some of the personal experiences of Mr. Mason in making his canvass, and his own feelings in first addressing the house of commons are reproduced in the vivid narrative of Harry Rames' own political career. Mr Mason was elected a member of parliament in 1906, after writing several novels. The English Bookman of London says of his career there: "He signalized his advent in the house of commons with a notable maiden speech, proved himself shrewd and eloquent in debate and if he had not escaped we might in due season have been the sions and glaze over the true causes cabinet minister and one brilliant novricher by a sagacious and sympathetic and development of events, they have elist the poorer. But fortunately the unfortunately had their influence in fascinations of the mother of parliaproposating confusion, falsebood, and ments were not so potent as the charms worst of all, popular submission to the ideas and conceptions demanded by the downsort class. But the day has a van dominant class. But the day has even the last general election Mr. Mason was not persuaded to offer himself as

In Rames, hero of "The Turnstile" who falls in love with Cynthia Daven-"For nearly a century and a quarter try, idealist and heiress, he pictures the supreme court of the United States a forceful, calculating man somewhat has towered aloft in omnipotent sway of an adventurer, who leads an expediover all other institutions. Absolute and tion to the South Pole to gain a reputafinal, its decrees have gone deep into tion which will enable him to leave the history of the nation, and have had the navy for politics. It is a convinctheir mighty effect upon those wars of classes which far-sighted "man-on-the-make" and a it was once (and to some extent still is) lovely woman of insight and ideals—his the fashion to ignore in theory while asserting the fact in deed. During its country. His last was "At the Villa" whole existence the supreme court of the United States has been overwhelmed "Running Water," "The Broken Road," and now reprinted for the first time. with laudations, although not at all times free from criticism. * * Furthermore, in taking a lave. historical events, the fact that nearly in his day, he joined a company after of the best amateur actors in Oxford graduation, toured the provinces, and even played in London as one of the soldiers in Shaw's "Arms and the Man." He took to writing in '95 and has succeeded both with the drama and with the novel.

a candidate again."

"Government by All the People," by Delos F. Wilcox.—This is a timely publication and is further described by sub-"The Initiative and Referendum, title and the Recall as Instruments of Democracy "An irrepressible conflict of political

today," says Mr. Wilcox. "The Republicans cannot compose their differ ences, neither can the Democrats theirs. dominant class section or sections of cratic and progressive Demo-each era is abundantly shown by the mass of facts in the following chapters." the progressive Republicans yawns The author then begins at the very deeper and more unbridgeable than the beginning with conditions preceding the ancient fissure between mere Democrats establishment of the supreme court, He and mere Republicans. The earth has takes up each province, narrating its been quaking of late and new cracks condition, and the circumstances which are appearing on the surface. A reled up to courts-not always, how- alignment of political parties is presever, to the credit of the colony or its ently inevitable. The quarrel is about

> prise?" All agree that government is of the people. Indeed most of the disputants assert that it is for the people, but what is government by the people? His book is divided into five parts, the first being introductory and taking up the conditions that invite a partial revival of pure democracy in the present age. The other four consider respectively the Initiative, the Referendum, and the Recall and Majority Rule (the

> private industry or a public enter-

Under the Initiative he gives six objections against it and four arguments in favor of it; under the Referendum two objections and three arguments in favor; under the Recall jections and two arguments in favor and under the Majority Rule six general objections and five general arguments in favor. The Macmillian Co.

"Moths of the Limberlost," by Gene Stratton-Porter.-This is one of the new books that will be brought out this month, just about the time the beautiful insects about which the book is written are making the Limberiost swamp a fairyland of truth. Although Mrs. Porter's "Freckles," "The Girl of the Limberlost" and "The Harvester" brought her fame and more than a mil-lion loyal readers, her love of nature was such that she chose the difficult course of non-fiction, telling of the inhabitants of the woods near her home rather than writing another novel while her fame as the author of "The Harvester" is at its height.

Doubleday, Page & Co., who are Mrs Porter's publishers, have several other important books on their July list.

On receiving the news of August

HE HISTORY of the Supreme of essays on the life and works of the Strindberg's death, "Strindbergarne the Chicago society of his admirers conveyed to the dramatist's daughter its sympathy and regret and in these

> literary significance: "With incorruptible self-analysis he sounded, depths which few reached before him. He made his own sufferings objects for poetic creation and thus helped his contemporaries to understand themselves. As dramatist, as poet, as romancer, he walked his own

way, cleared ground, broke new paths, with which to see, new ears with which a forerunner for future generations. The Scribners, who published a collection of three plays of August Strindberg as translated by Edwin Bjork-man, have just published another play in a separate volume, called "There Are Crimes and Crimes," one of the best known, most popular and most optimistic of Strindberg's works.

> Rear Admiral Charles D. Sigsbee, U. S. N., has written for the July Century of "Safety at Sea," in the light of the Titanic disaster, in which he calls atthat the natural peril of the sea is everlasting.

"It comes in many forms and far more frequently than passengers con-The details and scope of ceive. special judgment, even 'speculative judgment,' that must be exercised to meet recurring perils successfully are probably not imagined by the average passenger, else many nervous persons would not go to sea at all. On the other hand, it may be said that, through long experience, a seaman by the time he reaches command affoat has become very resourceful. In fact, when seemingly unconcerned in view of the passengers, his mind may be working in many channels for their safety.

The daily newspaper should hold s higher place in the esteem of the American public, says Professor David S. Muzzy of the Ethical Culture school Dr. Muzzy's contention is that, properly regulated, the newspaper has a historical value not only for future generations, but for contemporary readers, and he advocates the teaching of history to some extent from the daily published last year by Ginn & Co., embodies his ideas. His treatment of the period since the Civil war is proportionally fuller than is usual in a text-

A book about cemeteries has just been ssued from the Donohue press of Chi-Its author is Howard Evarts Weed, landscape architect, formerly of Chloago and now a resident of Porttransforming moss grown, tangled bury- over \$20,000. ing grounds into places of order and eference to interment near a church or like sacred spet and evolved into the church yard renowned in Gray's Elegy and still to be seen on rural hill tops, has much interest. Suggestions as to order and arrangement, choice of trees ly authoritative and exceedingly val-

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ook for the homemaker and garden ver. 1912, Tabor-Making the Grounds Attrac-Thurwanger — Musical Diction; an orthologic method for acquiring a perfect pronunciation in the speaking and especially in the singing of the French language, for the special use of English speaking people, 1910.

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rthern Mexico, 40 miles south of Chi- | Another racer's skull was crushed. The huahua, was fought Wednesday what dead are Will F. Baker of San Jose and may prove the last great battle of the Mexican revolution. Five thousand federals under General Huerta engaged a like number of rebels under General Orozco. The fighting was fast and furous, but the superior guns and ammunition of the federal troops proved too much for the rebels, who were finally driven from their stronghold and retreated in disorder toward Juarez

General Booth, head of the Salvation Army, is planning a trip to America the Swiss historian, Johann Ludor Gottand Canada. General Booth is now on the high road to recovery, although past 80 years of age and incurably sightless. William Adams, an American citizen, was killed a few days ago as he stood on his door step in Colonia Diaz, 75 words summed up their estimate of his miles south of Juarez. It is alleged that a rebel shot Adams as the latter left his house to attend his wife's funeral.

Labor Notes

HE coastwise seamen's strike at New York failed to receive the support of the Longshoremen and other unions that was expected. An attempt to tie up shipping this week failed and all boats left on time with improvised crews of negroes when necessary.

Representatives of the International Union of Shop Employes on all railroads running west of Chicago have addressed a joint letter to W. A. Garrett, chairman of the General Managers' association, asking for a conference to present certain demands. In the event that a conference is denied the officers tention to the sometimes forgotten fact have been authorized to order a general strike.

> Gladstone Park will be a Mecca for union labor of Oregon July 20, when John Mitchell, ex-president of the United Mine Workers and vice president of Joe Rivers in the thirteenth round. the American Federation of Labor, will speak. His subject will be "The Philesophy, Purposes and Ideals of the Trades Union Movement."

Miscellaneous

ISS HARRIET QUIMBY of New York, the first woman to win an aviator's license in America, and the first woman to cross the English Channel in an aeroplane, was instantly killed Monday evening with her passenger, W. A. Willard, manager of the aviation meet at Boston, when her Blerlot monoplane fell into Dorchester bay from a height of 1000 feet.

In a street car accident at Seattle, Monday, Motorman George C. Shinolt was instantly killed and six passengers seriously injured.

Dead and injured to a number between 50 and 100 persons and a property loss of \$10,000,000, is the toll taken by a windstorm that destroyed the towns of Regina, Qu'Allelle and Melville, Sask., and then swept on through the province, leaving destruction in its pathway.

A fire at Redmond, Or., Tuesday morning destroyed J. H. Vincent's large livery barn, including 11 head of horses, one of which was a stallion valued at \$4000, two wagonloads of furniture and and. Mr. Weed has written from a life- a box of silverware consigned to E. A. time's experience and study, entering a McCall, son-in-law of from Lawson, who field hitherto neglected. In successive is building a mansion on his ranch on chapters he shows the possibilities of Crooked river. The property loss is

In all the tragic history of airship artistic merit. His introductory descrip- disaster, the most sensational occured tion of the ancient custom that gave at Atlantic City, N. J., Tuesday, when the great sirship Akron, in command of Melvin Vaniman, with a crew of four men, exploded while more than 500 feet in the air and shot down into the water, a tangled mass, carrying to their death and shrubs and advising modesty in the daring aviator and his four commonuments, makes the work distinctive- panions, while the wives of four of the victims helplessly watched the tragedy. Vaniman had built the Akron for a voy age across the Atlantic and had taken it out for a test flight.

In the motorcycle races at the San Jose driving park last Sunday one of the racers flying at the rate of 70 miles an hour went down, and an instant later half a dozen wheels crashed into him and piled up in a quivering heap. One motorcycle leaped 29 feet in the sir and turned a complete somer-Its rider's neck was broken.

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Poems, 1911.

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Cowan & Love—Music of the Church Hymnary and the Psalter in Meter; its sources and composers, 1901. Grenfell—The Adventure of Lite, 1912. SCIENCE.

Bowman—Forest Physiography; physiography of the United States and principles of soils in relation to forestry.

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Paracelsus, 1493-1541—The Hermetic
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Readers. 3v.
Wehman—Wehman's Book on Rabbits. How to breed and manage for pleasure and profit.

General R. F. Hoke, a noted confed erate officer and intimate friend of Gen-(By the International News Service.) eral Robert E. Lee, is dead at his home Parts, July 6. - French courts and udges are sometimes paradoxical. Mar-The existence of what the owner, A. E. Coffers, believes to be one of the oldthe courts do not encourage matrimonial agents. Matchmaking is all very well est and best preserved books in the and commendable, but to make a busicountry has recently come to light at A dispatch from London states that Monterey, Cal. It is a history of the with their approval. If the agent obworld, dated 1619, and was written by tains payment in advance he is safe. If after marriage the bridegroom declines to pay a fee that he had explicitly or Fire starting from an overheated vaguely promised, it is quite another stove in a harber shop bath room de- matter. Has a matrimonial agent the stroyed a block of business buildings right, or has he not, to appeal to the law at Bend, Oregon, causing a loss of \$35, for obtaining payment of a matrimonial commission? This is a question which

has frequently been mooted in French

action is considered as lawful and hind-

ercises at Honolulu because the Declaring, and in others it is condemned as ation of Independence was read by Miss being against public policy. A court at Lyons recently decided that a contract by which a matrimonial agent Julius Stine, a wealthy resident of was to be entitled to collect a certain Walla Walla, was probably fatally inpercentage of the dowry of the bride jured Wednesdy by a cave-in at the was valid, and payment was ordered Boulder Creek mine in the Cornucopia Immediately afterwards a Paris court district. Mr. Stine was owner of the decided exactly the contrary, holding property and was on a visit of inspecthat such a contract was immoral, and therefore could not be enforced by law. Forty-one persons were killed and 60 A third decision has now been given injured at Corning, N. Y., Thursday, which hits the happy medium. A conwhen the fast-running Lackswanna ex- tract stipulated for commission and expenses. The court allowed the expenses, press ploughed its way through an exif there had been any, but decided that cursion train on a siding. A heavy fog the claim for a stipulated commission which obscured the signals is given as was illegal. People may recover expenses for matchmaking, but can claim no Two prizefights of much interest to

The Dalles Chautauqua Closes.

commission.

between Jack Johnson and Jim Flynn, in which the negro was declared victor The Dalles, Or., July 6 .- The Chautauqua session closed last evening, the in the ninth round; the other at Los closing number being Judge Saddler's Angeles, where Ad Wolgast defeated "The Criminal in the Making." lecture, The chautauqua session, the first ever held here, has been very successful, all the meetings having been well attended. So successful has it been that it will You can send 10 issues of The Jourcertainly be made an annual feature in nal, from July 7 to 16, covering com-The Dalles.

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(By the International News Services, Paris, July 6.—When Mile, Gran died three years ago, at the age of lages are diminishing in number, yet she left the bulk of her fortune, w amounted to 1180,000 to the Paris pe law board, but she had not a heart for her fellow creatures only. She was very fond of animals, too, and to her house near the Bacujon hospital was attached a big yard, in which she kept about 150 birds of different kinds, as well as half a dozen rabbits and seven

The good old lady could no bear the idea that any of these animals should suffer by her death, so, to ensure their being well cared for, she committed them to the charge of the man who had been tending them, providing him with a liberal allowance to stimulate his

Thus she directed that, besides the enjoyment of an annuity of \$500 he should receive every year \$240 for the keep of the birds, \$10 a month for that of each of the seven horses, and \$2 a month for his attention to the comfort of a parrot which was a great pet. Everything went on smoothly until lately, when the man who has been thus favored took legal action against the gentleman to whom the general use of all these animals has been bequeathed by Mdlle, Grandjean. He asks that this gentleman may be deprived of this enjoyment on the plea that he prevents him from doing his work as it ought to be done. What the general use of the snimals may consist of does not

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