

The *Handbook of Manuscripts in the Library of Congress* (Washington : Government Printing Office, 1918) is a most useful guide to the manuscript contents of the library. The object of its authors has been 'to present the whole resources of the division in a comprehensive way, for the practical use of the writer, reader, scholar, and student'. The manuscripts are described under various headings, subject headings as journals, diaries, &c., names of persons, states, and a general subject index is given at the beginning and a detailed index at the end of the volume. The library has a vast collection of manuscripts relating to American history which is now being much enriched by transcripts from European archives. The handbook will be most valuable to students of American history. E. A. B.

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\* \* My attention has been called to three charges of plagiarism against Mr. H. A. Doubleday made or implied in the article on '*Barons*' and '*Peers*' in the October number (pp. 458, 471). After a careful examination of the facts it appears to me that these charges are not substantiated. Other matters raised in the same article will, I understand, be dealt with by Mr. Doubleday in a separate form.

ED. E. H. R.

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#### CORRECTIONS IN THE JANUARY NUMBER.

P. 17, note 1. For the saint's epitaph *read* the hymn in Bode, *H. E.* iv. 20.

P. 110, line 14. For Siam *read* Hsi-an.