Judge Frederick W. Howay

Columbia "Yes," comes the reply, "I have seven copies of that"; and one looks at the title: "A Narrative of the Adventures and Sufferings of John R. Jewitt, Only Survivor of the Crew of the Ship Boston, During a Captivity of Nearly Three Years Among the Savages of Nootka Sound, with an Account of the Manners, Modes of Living and Religious Opinions of the Natives." Published at Middletown (Connecticut) and by Longmans Green & Co., London, 1816; and copy after copy comes down from the shelves until one is confronted with seven editions. There are five editions of Captain Vancouver's work, original English quarto, French quarto, a little French duodecimo, etc.; two or three editions of Meres; Dixon's attack upon Meres and Meres' reply, published in England for 2/6 and 2/- respectively but containing receipts in Judge Howay's copies for \$35.00 each; in short, with the exception of the Government Library in the Judge's library is the completest collection of books on the history of British Columbia in the Province or anywhere else. On page 285 of the "Proceedings of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association" for the year 1912-13 occurs the footnote: "The Fort Hope Police Book MS. is in the private library of His Honor Judge Frederick W. Howay, of New Westminster, B. C. The author is greatly indebted to Judge Howay for his courtesy in making accessible his valuable collection of historical material." "The distance from the bibliophile to the bibliomaniac," remarks the Judge. as the treasures are piled on the table, "is very short, is it not?"

On different occasions the Judge has anticipated the present work by lectures and special papers on his favorite subject. During the session 1907-8 he lectured before the Art, Historical and Scientific Association of Vancouver, of which he has been president for the last four or five years, on "The Search for the Fraser by Sea and by Land" and his lecture was published by the society. In 1909 he addressed the same association on "The Work of the Royal Engineers 1858 to 1863." This lecture was published by the Government of British Columbia and is described as "Printed by Richard Wolfenden, I. S. O., V. D., Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1910." Richard Wolfenden was one of the last few survivors of the Royal Engineers. Judge Howay has also contributed a sketch of the political history of British Columbia from the Confederation downward to Dr. Doughty's recent work, and is also responsible for the section of the Toronto University historical publications relating to British Columbia.

Judge Howay was born in London, Ontario, in 1867. His father came out to British Columbia in 1869. Two years later his mother, himself and 1873 they 1 received his building of teacher and of a teache to 1887 aft law. His d ever, sent l three years in law was attractive. this partne 1893 Judg friend, and when they reservatio Westmin Durin prosecute He has 1 the great perspecti not char Life of . den of v him. Ju dents de task, no doubted to his w

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