

in the number of Provinces and in the numbers of representatives, and the multiplication of centres of publication, make an increase in the number of periodicals, bound for preservation, inevitable.

Among the important additions which have been made to the section of American History, we may mention: "Sketches of North America and the Oregon Territory," by Capt. H. Warre, A.D.C. to Sir R. D. Jackson, late Commander of the Forces. Folio beautifully illustrated, with views of Vancouver, Fort Garry, &c. London 1846. Also "A Catalogue of Books relating to the Discovery and Early History of North and South America," forming part of the Library of E. D. Church, Esq., N.Y.; 5 vols., 4 to 1909. This catalogue gives fac-similes of Title pages and an accurate description of all the Books mentioned in it, and is consequently very valuable to the purchaser of Rare Americana.

In connection with this subject, it may be mentioned here that the Librarians have been able to secure a large number of copies of old Canadian newspapers. This has enabled them to complete several series of the same, or replace bound copies which have been borrowed and lost.

During the past few years, the literary and historical annals of England and France have received, in unusually large numbers, most interesting contributions in the form of Memoirs, Souvenirs and Correspondence. The Librarians have acquired copies of these precious collections, so important and so interesting from an historical point of view.

The card catalogue begun several years ago, has been continued during recess.

An extract of the Quebec Law catalogue, giving the titles of all the Codes of the Province of Quebec, commentaries with law periodicals bearing on the same, will be found annexed to the annual supplement.

The Transactions of the numerous Historical Societies of Canada and the United States have been kept up to date, as much as possible. The value of the documents which they contain cannot be overestimated by the student of American History.

Among the valuable additions to the legal side of the Library may be mentioned the "Legislation of the Empire, 1898-1907," which is the result of the labours of the Society of Comparative Legislation, and will be found valuable by all who seek to know the laws of the remoter regions of the Empire.

A list of the English, French and American periodicals preserved in the Library is appended to the annual list of accessions.

The Statistics of the Library are, as usual, appended hereto.

The usual list of donations is also appended.

The Annual Catalogue is on print and will be distributed at an early day.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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(For list of donations to the Library, Vide Sessional Papers, No. .)