

of readers which embraces many of the ripest scholars in the world. It is satisfactory for Canadians to know that Dr. Bourinot's contributions to the collection are among the principal ones published by the University and that their value has been proved.

The American Historical Association was founded a few years ago in the United States by leading historians and students of history. George Bancroft was the first president. A few Canadian men of letters were elected members, but it was not long before the distinguished services which Dr. Bourinot has rendered this continent were recognized, and he was made a member of the Council of this august body. The society meets once a year in Washington, in the month of December, and at these meetings papers are read and discussed. Dr. Bourinot presented at one of the sessions his valuable monograph on Parliamentary Government in Canada, which was published and circulated by the Association. This work proved to be one of the most interesting and valuable of the number read during the year. It was particularly timely and instructive, and much interest was taken in it from the fact that comparisons were drawn between Parliamentary and Congressional Government, the two systems being clearly outlined. The bibliographical notes on constitutional literature have added also to Dr. Bourinot's standing as a well-read authority on the subjects which he treats with such signal success. The American Historical Association's Papers are now circulated by the Government of the United States, and this gives the association the character to all intents and purposes of a government institution. Dr. Bourinot, it may be stated here, is a fellow of the Statistical Society of Great-Britain, as well as a member of the Council of the American Academy of Political Science. He is also one of the advisory council of the World's Congress Auxiliary on a Congress of Historians and Historical Students, his associates from Canada being Dr. Douglas Brynner, F.R.S.C., of Ottawa, and Dr. George Stewart, F.R.G.S., of Quebec.

Important papers on Canadian parliamentary institutions have been read at intervals by Dr. Bourinot before such bodies as the Geographical Society of Quebec, Harvard University of Cambridge, Mass., McGill University of Montreal, the University of Trinity College, Toronto, and the National Club of Toronto. It was before the National Club that he read his "Responsible Government in