

Canada and serve as an introduction to the two volumes on Canadian constitutional development already published by the public archives, but should be of interest to students of the constitutional and institutional history of the American colonies which later became the United States.

A new edition of the two volumes of *Documents relating to the constitutional history of Canada*, which have been for some time out of print, is in course of preparation by the archives. The editorial work on the first volume, covering the period 1759 to 1791, which will be issued in two parts, was completed some time since, and only difficulties connected with the printing have delayed its appearance. The adverse circumstances under which the department is carrying on its work have also delayed the publication of another archives report.

The thirteenth report of the Ontario bureau of archives forms a curious and interesting addition to the literature of the beginnings of Upper Canada. La Rochefoucault-Liancourt, who traveled extensively in the United States in 1795-1797, also paid a short visit to Upper Canada and devoted considerable space to that province in his account of his travels, published in Paris in 1799. A poor translation of the *Travels*, by Henry Neuman, was published in London in the same year and a copy thereof came into the possession of David William Smith, speaker of the legislative assembly of Upper Canada and acting surveyor general. La Rochefoucault was not above a certain amount of journalistic flippancy, nor the coloring of his evidence to make a good traveler's tale, and Neuman's errors increased the inaccuracy of the picture. Smith prepared a refutation of what he considered La Rochefoucault's misrepresentations, and it is this that the Ontario bureau of archives has now published, for the first time, together with Neuman's text, the whole under the able editorship of W. R. Riddell.

Several collections of source material published in the United States have some interest for students of Canadian history. Among these are Frances G. Davenport's *Treaties bearing on the history of the United States and its dependencies to 1648*; Louise Phelps Kellogg's *Early narratives of the northwest, 1634-1699*,¹ in the series *Original narratives of early American*

¹ Reviewed *ante*, 4: 392-393.