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proper comprehension of the subjects and methods of investigation appertaining to this branch of scientific research. For this reason a series of pamphlet publications, designed to give assistance and direction in these investigations, has been commenced.

The first of the series was prepared by myself and issued under the title of "Introduction to the Study of Indian Languages;" the second is the present, upon Sign-Language; and a third, by Dr. H. C. Yarrow, United States Army, designed to incite inquiry into mortuary observances and beliefs concerning the dead prevailing among the Indian tribes, will shortly be issued. Other publications of a like character will be prepared from time to time. These publications are intended to serve a somewhat temporary purpose until a manual for the use of students of American Anthropology is completed.

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