

W. C. Ford; Kentucky's Contribution to Indiana, by Prof. James R. Robertson; Organizing a State, by Logan Esarey; Early Railroad Building in Indiana, by Ralph Blank (only a small part of this is printed); Civil War Politics in Indiana, by Charles Kettleborough; Personal Genesis of the Monroe Doctrine, by ex-Governor William A. McCorkle; and a Hoosier Domesday, by Prof. Frederick L. Paxton.

THROUGH the courtesy of Mrs. Benjamin D. Walcott, 1455 North Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, vice regent of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union, the SURVEY has received the *Annual Report* of that association. This is a nation-wide organization to look after and improve Mt. Vernon. The purpose is to restore the grounds to the condition they were in about 1790 and maintain them as nearly in that condition as possible. There were last year 127,203 visitors to the grounds.

THE university library recently received from one of its alumni a copy of Prof. Richard Owen's farewell address to Indiana University. The title of the address is "Happiness and Home, Temporal and Eternal", and it was delivered at the college chapel May 11, 1879. An audience could hardly be held together to listen to such an address now, but nothing so clearly marks the difference between college life then and now, and between the college students then and now as these old addresses. The librarian is always very glad to receive such papers.

*Biennial Report of the Secretary of State for the Term Ending September 30, 1916.* By HOMER L. COOK, Secretary of State. Fort Wayne.

THE first section of this report deals with the financial business transacted by the department. The receipts for the two years total \$815,411.76. This money was collected from taxes on motor vehicles, dealers' licenses, chauffeurs' licenses, taxes on foreign and domestic corporations and the sale of *Supreme Court Reports*. The receipts are in the form of fees. There follow in the report lists of the State officers, their