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turned day before yesterday from riding my first circuit. I attended 13 courts. . . . [When] I defended a Spaniard accused of petty larceny . . . I succeeded in keeping the Court and jury in a constant uproar [but] my client received the next morning 10 lashes. . . . Next day I succeeded in a case. . . . Considering that I have read law scarcely 3 months I conceive that I have done well enough."

A. J. HANNA.

Soldier and Servant: John Freeman Young, Second Bishop of Florida. By Edgar Legare Pennington, S.T.D. (Church Missions Publishing Company, Hartford, Connecticut, 1939) 63 p. wrappers, fifty cents.

Dr. Pennington once contributed to the QUARTERLY: *Some Experiences of Bishop Young* (XV. 35-50) a narrative of the bishop's travels and adventures through the wilderness of central Florida in the 1870's, then beginning to be settled. More of his experiences, together with an account of his establishing the Episcopal church in that region, now give a glimpse of the beginnings of some of its towns and make a record of interest as well as of historical value.

The author, who is the historian of his church in Florida, published last year *A History of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Florida* (see QUARTERLY XVII, 64) and is now writing a *History of the Church of England in British East and West Florida*.

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The Cotton Kingdom in Alabama, by Charles S. Davis, assistant professor of history, Alabama Polytechnic Institute. (Alabama State Department of Archives and History, 1939. \$2.50)

The ante-bellum plantations of Middle Florida (as the Tallahassee region was regularly called then) were little different from those of adjoining Alabama and Georgia, and as cotton was king there as well as across the state line, this work will be read with interest by students of that period of Florida's history.

It is more a study of plantation management, and especially the commercial and financial aspects of cotton planting, than of the various phases of slavery or of the small farmer and nonslaveholder. As such, it is a contribution to Southern ante-bellum economics. A bibliography of twenty-five pages indicates the wide range of the author's research ; and the unusually large amount of manuscript material used-both in public and private hands-gives to the work its greatest value.

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Essays in Pan-Americanism. By Joseph Byrne Lockey, Professor of History in the University of California. (University of California Press. Berkeley, 1939. 174 p. \$2.00)

These essays have appeared as follows: "The Meaning of Pan-Americanism" in *American Journal of International Law*; "Diplomatic Futility" in *Hispanic American Historical Review*; "The Pan-Americanism of Blaine" in *The American Secretaries of State and their Diplomacy*; "Blaine and the First Conference" *ibidem*; "An Aspect of Isthmian Diplomacy" in *American Historical Review*; "Toledo's Florida Intrigues" in *Florida Historical Society Quarterly*; "Shaler's Pan-American Scheme" in *Pacific Historical Review*; "Bolivar after a Century" read before the American Historical Association and published in the *Boletín de la Academia Nacional de la Historia*; "Pan-Ameri-