

## REVIEWS OF BOOKS

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This collection of thirteen papers is grouped around four general headings: "Some of the Next Steps in Archival and Historical Manuscript Work," "Suggestions for a Code of Cataloging," "Manuscript Collections," and "The Use of Microphotography." There are from two to four essays under each heading. In them we see that process of digestion which is so essential to the full development of ideas in relation to the problems of manuscripts and archives. The subdivision "Manuscript Collections" differs from the others in that it is largely descriptive of some of the manuscripts in the Bancroft and Huntington libraries and in the Spanish archives of New Mexico. J. M. Scammell, Luther H. Evans, Dorsey W. Hyde, Jr., and Theodore C. Blegen discuss the work of the Historical Records Survey. Mrs. Evangeline Thurber and Miss Grace Lee Nute offer their experience in cataloguing problems. Herbert I. Priestley, R. B. Haselden, and George P. Hammond describe manuscript collections in California and New Mexico. Microphotography is discussed by L. Bendikson, Herbert I. Priestley, George P. Hammond, and Vernon D. Tate.

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