

Mr. Atwood is unusually honest, a rare quality in many genealogists. He admits he may have erred in some instances, but that kind of ethic adds value to *Ye Annals*, at least from the reviewer's viewpoint.

He spent forty years tracing his own ancestry and inevitably spilled over into many collateral family branches.

Mr. Atwood writes these words: ". . . Pride of ancestry that leads to study of the events they helped to bring about, that leads to more typical Americanism, is worth while. For, Plymouth first, and then all New England, contains the real beginnings of America. But better have some pride in *yourself*, lest your ancestral line become like a *hill of potatoes*, the best part underground."

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*Pennsylvania Iron Manufacture in the Eighteenth Century* (2nd ed.).

By ARTHUR CECIL BINING. (Harrisburg, Pa.: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 1973. Pp. 215. Illustrations. Hardback, \$5.00; paper, \$3.50.)

This edition, although called a second edition, is not an emendation or revision of the first edition which appeared in 1938. The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, in republishing the work, notes that "some editorial changes have been made, as well as some improvements in footnoting and bibliography; several illustrations which could not be reproduced have been substituted for or eliminated. The work is Dr. Bining's as originally published with no change of its substance."

The type for the second edition has been completely reset and the page format far more attractively designed than that of the first edition; the illustrations, even of those reproduced from the original, are sharper and clearer. Footnotes have been moved from the ends of the chapters to the bottom of appropriate pages, while the index has been expanded. There is no list of illustrations in the second edition, but it appears that nine illustrations from the first edition have been eliminated while three new ones have been added.

The book remains an invaluable study for both the student and general reader; its chapters on the history, technology, and entrepreneurship of the iron industry in Pennsylvania during the eighteenth century are highly readable and informative.

Augustus M. Kelley (Publishing Co.) has reprinted the 1938 edition for ten dollars; there is no textual difference in the 1973 edition prepared by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission which is a bargain at half the Kelley cost.

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