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volume pays a worthy tribute to both. The death of Lewis remains a clouded mystery. Clark lived to venerable age, his days crowned with honor and public service. He negotiated treaties with the Sacs and Foxes and with the Iowas in 1824, and the famous treaties of Prairie du Chien with those and other tribes in 1825 and 1830.

Mrs. Dye brings a fresh chaplet to the memory of George Rogers Clark in the story of that sturdy soldier's love affair with Donna Leyda, sister of the Spanish governor of St. Louis, in 1780, her retreat to a convent in New Orleans as Sister Infelice, her pang of sorrow at not finding him among the troops that came to that city when the Americans took possession of it (Dec. 1803), and her going to Havana. A few other affairs of the heart turn out better, and are deftly handled.

If the reader is not bewildered with the story of the conquest of this continent, the enthusiastic author reminds him of the impending conquest of the poles and of the tropics, where the frontiersman is now building Nome City in the Arctics, and hewing the forests of the Philippines.

A statement on p. 299 that "Pierre Chouteau the younger helped to start Dubuque and open the lead mine," requires correction. The facts are that Dubuque opened the mine in 1788, and sold lead to Auguste Chouteau, and fell in debt to him for merchandise. (Annals, v. 322-4, iii. 649-650.)

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