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The Historian's Handbook: A Descriptive Guide to Reference Works, by Helen J. Poulton. \$14.50. University of Oklahoma Press, 1005 Asp Ave., Norman, Okla. 73019. Choice says: "A useful, inexpensive, selective guide to reference works . . . artful and worthy of recommendation to the novice."

"The Editing of Historical Documents," by G. Thomas Tanselle. 56 pp. \$2.50. University Press of Virginia, Box 3608, University Station, Charlottesville, Va. 22903. This reprint of Tanselle's provocative critique of the major historical editing projects now in progress provides plenty of fuel for fireside discussions of the editor's function, his discretionary powers, and the possibility of a more rigid adherence to literal texts.