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A Bibliography for the History of Anthropology

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in many things, to the most advanced to the North American
tribes, they resemble the latter greatly, in their personal
features, and mental traits, and in several of their arts. . . .
I have thought, on reading this work, that there is room for
a literary essay, with something like this title: "Strictures
on the Hyperbolical Accounts of the Ancient Mexicans given by
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I. A BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR THE HISTORY OF ANTHROPOLOGY

A certain maturity is reached in any field when it can boast
its own published bibliography. The growing interest in the history
of anthropology has prompted such a publication. While HAN has not
so far reviewed works in the field, the publication of Robert B.
Kemper and John F. S. Phinney's The History of Anthropology: A
$22.00) calls for more than a mere mention as a recent work by a
subscriber. Citing a total of 2,439 works culled from standard texts
and from 45 journals, Kemper and Phinney divide their bibliography
into five sections: "general sources," "background," "modern anthro-
pology," "related social sciences," and "bibliographical sources."
Although press limitations constrained the authors from including
all 5,000 items originally collected, the bibliography, which contains
an index of authors cited, is a useful basic reference. Inevitably,
there are some important omissions, and unfortunately some references
are included that have little value for the history of anthropology.
If there is interest among our subscribers, HAN could periodically
publish contributed bibliographical material that would help fill
the omissions and prove useful in providing for an expanded bibliog-
raphy at a future date. (R.B.)