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many letters from Franz Boas (notably a series written from British Columbia in 1897, which was almost certainly not copied anywhere else) There is also at least one very long letter, written in 1895 from South America, from Adolphe Bandelier, and much more—including Putnam’s personal scrapbook of newspaper articles and notices about himself, his work, and anthropology—C. H. Hinsley.

II. Lewis Henry Morgan’s Library--Thomas Trautman, intellectual biographer of Lewis H. Morgan, and Karl Kabelac, Manuscripts Librarian of the Rush Rhees Library, Rochester University, where the Morgan papers are preserved, have recently published a 336 page volume describing The Library of Lewis Henry Morgan and Mary Elizabeth Morgan. The volume (which constitutes parts 6 and 7 of volume 84 of the Transactions of the American Philosophical Society) includes a preface by Trautman, a 57 page "Introduction," an "Inventory" prepared by Morgan himself, a "Catalogue" with full bibliographic information on each of the 1196 items, and a "Register" of the Morgan papers in the Rare Books and Special Collections department of the Rush Rhees Library.

III. Preservation of the Anthropological Record--belatedly, we note that papers from the conference held early in 1992 (HAN 19, #2:11-12) were published later that year by the Wenner-Gren Foundation. Edited by Sydel Silverman and Nancy Parezo, and entitled Preserving the Anthropological Record, the volume includes papers on specific archives (The National Anthropological Archives and the Melanesian Archive), on "Discipline History Centers in the Sciences," on the role of museums, and on the preservation of records in archeology and in applied anthropology. There are also "guidelines" for individuals and institutions, as well as discussions of problems of physical preservation, the role of computers, the future uses of the record, and "the next steps" in its preservation.

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Claude Blanckaert of the Équipe de Recherche "Les institutions anthropologiques en France de 1800 à 1940" is planning a volume on this subject, to appear in 1996. The address is: Dr. Claude Blanckaert, Centre Alexandre Koyré, Histoire des Sciences et des Techniques, EHESS - MNHN, UMR 48 du CNRS, Muséum National d’Histoire Naturelle, Pavillon Chevreul, 57 rue Cuvier, 75231 Paris Cedex 05, France.

Hilary Lapsley, Senior Lecturer in Women’s Studies, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand, is writing a book about the friendship between Margaret Mead and Ruth Benedict, from the point of view of their bisexual and lesbian identities.

H. Glenn Penny III, a graduate student in history at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, is working on a dissertation treating German ethnographic museums as the site of an investigation into the process of "identity formation" in Wilhelmine Germany, in which "scientific schemes of classification were used to reorder the world and to fashion tangible identities for Germans as well as other peoples."