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Biographical / Historical

Professor of history at Yale University, 1888-1925; Ph.D. University of Leipzig, 1886; editor of American History Review, 1895-1913; editor and author of numerous books and articles.

Scope and Contents

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