

*Suggestions*  
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*Dartmouth Bookshelf*

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REQUESTS FROM STUDENTS AND ALUMNI for a list of good books which they might profitably have on their shelves frequently come to me. But let it be understood from the beginning that what follows is not a list of one hundred best books. Such a list might well extend into the thousands. Nor have I put in classics which are embalmed by Time. These are books which you can read for profit and PLEASURE. All of them be-

long on any Dartmouth Book Shelf! And, of course, many more besides. I have read these books and have reread many of them. They might be said to be among my own favorite tomes, but I have others, too, so please don't say "How could you exclude Poe? de Maupassant? Jane Austen? Hemingway? etc.?" I don't exclude them, but I do include the following titles on any *must* list.

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- Adams, Henry *The Education of Henry Adams*. Houghton, 1918.
- Audubon, J. J. *The Birds of America*. Macmillan, now only \$4.95.
- Barbellion, W. N. P. *The Journal of a Disappointed Man*. Chatto & Windus, London.
- Bell, Gertrude *Letters of Gertrude Bell*. 2 volumes. Ernest Benn, London, 1927.
- Bennett, Arnold *The Old Wives' Tale*. (Best bargain here is to buy Somerset Maugham's anthology *Traveller's Library* published by Doubleday which contains this novel and many other fine things besides.)
- BIBLE, preferably the King James' version.
- Blunden, Edmund *Undertones of War*. Cobden-Sanderson, London.
- Blunt, Wilfrid Scawen *My Diaries, 1888-1914*. 2 vols. Knopf.
- Bone, David *Merchantmen-At-Arms*. Chatto & Windus.
- Borrow, George *Lavengro and Romany Rye*. 2 vols. Oxford.
- Burns, Robert *Complete Poems*. Houghton, Mifflin.
- Burton, Richard *A Pilgrimage to Al-Madinah and Meccah*. Any edition available.
- Cather, Willa *A Lost Lady*. Knopf.
- Catlin, George *North American Indians*. 2 vols. Best edition available. John Grant; Edinburgh, 1926.
- Cervantes *Don Quixote*. (Nonesuch Press or Everyman Library depending on your purse.)
- Cherry-Garrard, Apsley *The Worst Journey in the World*. 2 vols. Penguin Books.
- Chapelle, H. I. *The History of American Sailing Ships*. Norton, 1935.
- Cobbett, William *Rural Rides*. 2 vols. Everyman Library.
- Conrad, Joseph *Typhoon, A Mirror of the Sea, Youth, Lord Jim*, etc. Doubleday.
- Crane, Stephen *The Red Badge of Courage*. Appleton.
- Diaz, Bernal de Castillo *The Conquest of Mexico*. Harper.
- Dostoevsky. *The Brothers Karamazov*. Macmillan. (In all of Dostoevsky's books insist on Constance Garnett's translations. Same for Turgenev, Gogol, etc.)
- Doughty, C. M. *Travels in Arabia Deserta*. Random House. 2 vol.
- Douglas, Henry Kyd. *I Rode with Stone-wall*. Chapel Hill, 1940.
- Douglas, Norman *South Wind, Old Calabria, Siren Land*. Secker.
- Doyle, A. C. *The Complete Sherlock Holmes*. Doubleday.
- Eliot, T. S. *The Wasteland*. Knopf.
- Fabre, Jean Henri *Social Life in the Insect World*. Dodd, Mead.

- Finger, Charles *Seven Horizons*. Doubleday, Doran.
- Forster, E. M. *A Passage to India*. Arnold, London.
- Fortescue, Sir John *The Story of a Red Deer*. Macmillan.
- Fowler's English Usage*. Oxford Press.
- Frost, Robert *Collected Poems*. Holt.
- Galsworthy, John *The Forsyte Saga, A Modern Comedy*. Scribners.
- Graham, R. B. Cunninghamham *Rodeo* (anthology of his best stories and sketches) Doubleday, Doran.
- Graves, Robert *Goodbye To All That*. Cape, London.
- Grey of Fallodon *Fly Fishing*. Dutton.
- Hakluyt's Voyages* 10 volumes. Dutton, New York.
- Hardy, Thomas *The Dynasts*. Macmillan.
- Herzen, Alexander *The Diary of Alexander Herzen*. 6 vols. Knopf.
- Hills, J. Waller *A Summer on the Test*. London, Alan & Co.
- Homer *The Odyssey*. Translation by T. E. Lawrence. Oxford.
- Hudson, W. H. *A Shepherd's Life, Tales of the Pampas, and any others*. Dutton and Knopf.
- Jefferies, Richard *The Story of My Heart*. Longmans.
- Jewett, Sarah Orne *The Country of the Pointed Firs*. Houghton.
- Kalm, Peter *Peter Kalm's Travels in North America*. Wilson-Erickson, Inc. New York, 1937. Latest edition in print.
- King, Clarence *Mountaineering in the Sierra Nevada*. Scribners.
- Kinglake, Alexander *Eöthen*. Oxford World's Classics.
- Lawrence, T. E. *The Seven Pillars of Wisdom*. Doubleday.
- Lowes, John Livingstone *The Road to Xanadu*. Houghton.
- Machiavelli, Nicolo *The Prince*. Everyman Library.
- Mackenzie, Sir Alexander *Voyages*. Recent Reprint: 1927.
- Mackenzie, Compton *Sinister Street*. Appleton.
- Madariaga, Salvador de *The Genius of Spain*. Oxford.
- Manning, Frederick *The Middle Parts of Fortune*. Peter Davies.
- Masefield, John *Collected Poems*. Macmillan.
- Maugham, Somerset *Of Human Bondage*, and almost any other book of his will prove excellent reading. Doubleday.
- Melville, Herman *Moby Dick*. Any edition.
- Mencken, Henry L. *The American Language*. Knopf. 4th Edition.
- Mill, John Stuart *Liberty*. Oxford World Classics.
- Montague, C. E. *Disenchantment*. Brentanos.
- Montaigne, Michel de *Essays*. Trechmann translation. Oxford. 2 vols.
- Munthe Axel *The Story of San Michele*. Dutton.
- Nansen, Fridjof *Farthest North*. Harper, 1897.
- Nesbitt, L. M. *The Hell Hole of Creation*. Knopf.
- Nevinson, Henry W. *Changes and Chances, More Changes, More Chances, Last Changes, Last Chances*. 3 vol. (Autobiography) Nesbit.
- Oxford Book of English Verse*. Oxford Press.
- Parkman, Francis *The Oregon Trail*. Farrar and Rinehart.
- Passos, John Dos *U.S.A.* Modern Library Giant.
- Pepys' Diary* 3 vols. Harcourt.
- Philby, H. St. John *The Empty Quarter*. Holt, 1933.
- Pike, Warburton *The Barren Ground of Northern Canada*. Dutton.

- Random House Edition of *The Complete Greek Drama*. 2 vols.
- Roberts, Morley *The Western Avernus*. Everyman Library.
- Rolland, Romain *Jean Christophe*. Holt.
- Runyon, Damon *The Best of Runyon*. Stokes.
- Schuster, Claud *Peaks and Pleasant Pastures*. Oxford, 1911.
- Scott, Robert Falcon *Scott's Last Expedition*. 2 vol. Smith, Elder.
- Shackleton, Sir Ernest *South, 1914-1917*. Macmillan.
- Shakespeare, *Complete Works*. Oxford Shakespeare Head Edition.
- Smith, Alexander *Dreamthorp*. Oxford World Classics.
- Smith, Logan Pearsall *Trivia, Re-Perusals and Recollections*.
- Smythe, F. S. *Kamet Conquered (Golancz), Camp Six* (Hodder).
- Stark, Freya *Baghdad Sketches*. Dutton, 1938.
- Steffansson, Vilhjalmur *The Friendly Arctic*. Macmillan.
- Still, John *The Jungle Tide*. Houghton, 1930.
- Thomas, Bertram *Arabia Felix*. Cape.
- Thoreau, Henry D. *Walden*. Any edition.
- Tilman, H. W. *The Ascent of Nanda Devi*. Macmillan, 1937.
- Tolstoy, Lyof *War and Peace*. Oxford World Classics, 3 vols.
- Tomlinson, H. M. *The Sea and the Jungle*. Harper.
- Trelawney, E. B. *The Story of a Younger Son*. Oxford.
- Turgenev, Ivan *A Sportsman's Sketches*. Dutton.
- Twain, Mark *Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn*.
- Waley, Arthur *Translations from the Chinese*. Knopf, 1941.
- Webster's Collegiate Dictionary*.
- Webb, Mary *Gone to Earth*. Cape.
- Whitman, Walt *Leaves of Grass*.
- Whymper, Edward *Scrambles Amongst the Alps*. Blackwells, Oxford.
- Wodehouse, P. G. *The Week End Wodehouse*. Garden City Press.
- Wolfe, Thomas *Look Homeward, Angel*. Scribners.
- Worsly, Frank *First Voyage*. Bles, London, 1938.