

stukke as wat Preller indertyd publiseer het, aan 'n wyer publiek bekend te stel. In 'n volgende uitgawe van *Historia* sal hopelik hiermee begin word.

Na aanleiding van my bewering dat ek nie van die skoolboeke van Odé kon opspoor nie (*Historia*, 4e jrg. nr. 1, p. 46), het prof. J. Chris. Coetzee van Potchefstroom my aandag gevestig op Odé se *De Geschiedenis van Zuid-Afrika in schetsen en verhalen, dl. 1, Pretoria, 1892*. Of deel 2, wat in die voorwoord in vooruitsig gestel is, ooit verskyn het, kon ek nie vasstel nie. Sedertdien het ek ook 'n ander skoolboekie uit die pen van Odé opgespoor: *Aardrijkskunde van Zuid-Afrika, Pretoria, 1891*, waarvan in 1899 'n herdruk verskyn, bewerk deur O. Boersma en N. Tromp.

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