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This book sheds new light on the birth and development of modern logic, showing the important rôle of Charles Sanders Peirce.

Jean van Heijenoort can be considered as the first historian of modern logic. In 1967 he published a book entitled *From Frege to Gödel*, a collection of some crucial papers by famous logicians accompanied by erudite introductions and comments. However, as we know now, van Heijenoort's view is highly distorted, particularly the way he presents the rôle of Gottlob Frege.

G. H. Moore in his review of the second edition of From Frege to Gödel pointed out that Frege is almost never quoted by other authors