

## NEW PUBLICATIONS.

In the person of Senator H. F. Andrews, of Audubon, Iowa, our state possesses one of the most thorough and industrious students of genealogy in the West. His first work in that direction which came to our notice was the genealogical history of the Andrews family, to which he belongs. In its prosecution and publication he was quite successful, though he was working upon it at intervals for twenty-five years. Upon its completion two or three years ago, he began a like work for the Hamlin family, a numerous one in this country and England, one of the earliest records of which was in the victory of Hastings, where William the Conqueror won the crown of England. Hannibal Hamlin, Vice President of the United States, and the Methodist Episcopal Bishop, L. L. Hamline, who died in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, in 1865, were of this family. Mr. Andrews has issued ninety-six pages of his work, which bids fair to be an extensive one. He brings the genealogy down to the third generation in this country, very successfully clearing the way for its continuation. How long it may take him to complete the work, we presume that even he would be unable to predict. But as he has the support of several of the leading members of the Hamlin family, we have no doubt that it will proceed more rapidly than his first work in which he had little, if any, outside aid. We copy the title-page of this new and very large undertaking, which in itself indicates its scope and purpose:

‘HISTORY of the HAMLIN FAMILY with Genealogies of Early Settlers of the name in America. 1639-1894. Origin of the name. Early Account of the Family in England.’ Coats of Arms, Crests, etc. First Settlements in America. Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution, War of 1812, Mexican War and of the Rebellion. Statesmen, Lawyers, Clergymen, Physicians, Merchants, Bankers, Educators; etc., etc. TO BE PUBLISHED PERIODICALLY. PART ONE. Commencing the Genealogy of James Hamlin, of Barnstable, Massachusetts, 1639, with First Four Generations in America, with copies of wills, etc., and collateral pedigrees. By H. FRANKLIN ANDREWS, Attorney at Law, Audubon, Iowa. Exira, Iowa, George W. Guernsey, 1894.

THE LIFE AND WRITINGS OF RAFINESQUE. By Richard Ellsworth Call, M. A., M. Sc., M. D. Louisville, Ky., the Filson Club, 1895.

In the year 1783 a boy was born near Constantinople, Turkey, of French-German parentage, who was named Constantine Samuel Rafinesque, and whose after life was a most remarkable one. He resided during his childhood and youth in France and Italy, where he acquired a thorough education, his tastes naturally inclining him to the study of natural history. He came to this country in 1802. Returning in 1805, he went to Sicily, where he remained ten years. During this period, while occupied with many other matters, his attention was largely given to the study of animated nature and botany. Though

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