

NOTES.

[Below will be found information on Historical Department matters of the last quarter not heretofore reported, and in which the public will probably be sufficiently interested to warrant publication more promptly than through our biennial reports.—Editor.]

The Iowa Daughters of the American Revolution presented from eighteen of their membership a fine series of object and documentary materials numbering about one hundred items, as a nucleus of their proposed permanent collection of revolutionary materials.

From Miss Harriet L. Ankeny of Des Moines, has been received objects and documentary material of great value in illustration of costumes, domestic processes, military and civil history of the period from 1812 to 1860, derived from and presented in memory of her parents, pioneers of Polk County, Iowa.

Library acquisitions in local history and genealogy between January 1 and April 1, 1911, embraced some thirty important items, amongst which are vital records of Andover, Chester, Foxborough, Hanson, Ipswich, Leominster, Newburyport, Pembroke, West Boylston and Wrentham, Mass.; History of Hanover County and the Lower Cape Fear region in North Carolina, Vol. 1, 1723-1800, by Alfred Moore Waddell; Journal of the Virginia House of Burgesses, 1727-34, 1736-40.

Amongst the valuable newspaper additions are a collection from Mrs. Margaret Weaver Horn, Mrs. Clotilde H. Todd and Mrs. Martha H. Nance, the widow and children of the late Hosea B. Horn of Atchison, Kansas, formerly of Bloomfield, Davis County, Iowa, presented in the memory of Mr. Horn. It includes:

Bloomfield—Democratic Clarion, v. 1, no. 38—July 1, 1858—Oct. 5, 1859.

Bloomfield—Western Gazette, v. 1, no. 1—May 13, 1854—July 14, 1855.
continued as

Western Radiator, July 21, 1855—November 3, 1855.

In the museum there have been received and mounted, or prepared for mounting, specimens of spotted skunk from Cicero Choat of Eldora; great horned owl, fox squirrel and golden eagle from W. C. Davison of Dallas Center; bull snake from Prof. F. L. Douglass, Des Moines; red foxes from Mrs. Kate Winegar, Osage; blue heron from A. E. Nissen, Davenport, and some thirteen specimens of Iowa wild animal and bird life from Frank C. Pellett of Atlantic.

The Thirty-fourth General Assembly increased our support fund from the amount of \$5,000 annually to \$6,000; increased the Curator's salary from \$1,500 to \$1,800 per annum; continued the staff of assistants as heretofore, and provided for the addition of a clerk and stenographer beginning July 1, 1911.

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