

SOME PUBLICATIONS

The Last American Frontier. By FREDERIC LOGAN PAXSON. New York: The Macmillan Company. 1910. Pp. xi, 402. Portraits, plates, maps.

Some twenty years ago it was Mr. Roosevelt who wrote: "The men who have shared in the fast vanishing frontier life of the present feel a peculiar sympathy with the already long-vanished frontier life of the past." While "The Winning of the West" is chiefly an account of the westward expansion of English-speaking people from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mississippi River, including also the purchase of Louisiana, it indicates the manner in which the history of the immigrant advance to the Pacific should be handled. Professor Paxson has undertaken to tell the story of this westward movement from the year 1821 when the center had reached the great bend of the Missouri River, while the wings barely touched the Great Lakes and New Orleans, until 1885 when the tide of immigrant pioneers can be said to have obliterated the last frontier signs in the empty places of our huge trans-Mississippi domain.

With regard to the influence of the frontier, that "irregular, imaginary line which separated the farm lands and the unused West," the author declares that it "has been the strongest single factor in American history, exerting its power from the first days of the earliest settlements down to the last years of the nineteenth century." And no other force "has been continuous in its influence throughout four centuries."

In the early pioneer conquest of America water highways played the most important part, but when the bend of the Missouri River was reached, water transportation and travel became impracticable — from that point the way was obstructed by the difficulty of the overland route, the danger from Indians, and "a great and erroneous belief in the existence of a sandy desert." How these obstruc-

tions were gradually worn away by streams of immigrants is the general scope of Professor Paxson's book. Accordingly, considerable space is devoted to an account of how the Indian frontier receded through *Iowa and the New Northwest*, and of how several decades later the Indian tribes becoming more tightly clamped in the vise were roused to a series of hostilities against the whites

The story of the Santa Fé trail as a route of commerce and of the Oregon trail as a route of conquest, leading to the establishment of the first clear American title on the Pacific, is very readable, as are also the chapters on Utah, produced by the Mormon religion; California called into life by the lust for gold; eastern Kansas founded by politics; and *Pike's Peak or Bust*, the second of a series of mining episodes which revealed the nature of many of our western States. Attention is also devoted to routes of the Overland Mail, and railroad surveys, and the book concludes with a chapter on *Letting in the Population*.

A note of several pages on sources is appended by the author for the benefit of scholars, though the book is primarily intended for the general reader. It has been the reviewer's experience as a general reader that foot-notes seldom detract from the interest of history. Although the author has undoubtedly exercised the utmost care in making this a scholarly piece of work drawn from various widely-scattered sources, he might perhaps have boiled down several chapters on Indians to make room for foot-note citations of authority, and he might also have added to the human interest of his story by including much on the social life of the frontier, thus gratifying the tastes of all sorts and conditions of readers. However, Professor Paxson has promised the critical and capricious scholar "to exploit in a larger and more elaborate form the mass of detailed information upon which this sketch is based." The importance of western history is gaining recognition year by year and the author justly gives most of the credit to Professor Frederick J. Turner.

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The Spanish Régime in Missouri. Edited by LOUIS HOUCK. Chicago: R. R. Donnelly & Sons Company. 1909. Vols. II, pp. xxv, 414; vii, 460. Portraits, plates.

In these two volumes Mr. Houck edits one hundred and twenty-eight documents relating to the Spanish Régime in Upper Louisiana, with particular reference to the country within the present limits of Missouri. He explains in a preface that the transcripts were made for him to aid in the preparation of his recent history of Missouri (published in three volumes in 1908). They are now published "in order to give those who may desire to know the details of this interesting period of the early history of the State an opportunity to examine the same."

The manuscripts, with a few exceptions, were transcribed for the editor at the General Archives of the Indies at Seville, Spain. A very large number of them were found in the chaotic mass of material transferred from the island of Cuba to the depository at Seville.

Mr. Houck does not of course pretend to present all the Spanish material relative to the history of Missouri. He gives only two or three manuscripts from the Archives of Simancas and none from the National Archives at Madrid, although in both of these depositories there is much that concerns Missouri and Upper Louisiana. The task he has accomplished is one of considerable proportions and the publication of these gleanings from the Archives at Seville (which are by far the most important in Spain as far as the Mississippi Valley is concerned) entitles him to the gratitude of all who are interested in Western history.

The documents consist of letters, reports, petitions, instructions, and like papers passing between the Spanish colony of Louisiana and the home government and between the various colonial officers. They are arranged chronologically and cover in general the years 1767-1803. The material is illuminating and of the greatest value. A number of excellent reproductions of maps, plans of forts, and portraits are given.

The editorial presentation might have been improved in some

respects. It would have been desirable, even if it did double the size of the work, to have given the original text of the manuscripts as well as the English translation. The originals are usually in Spanish, but sometimes in French. The footnotes, in the absence of the original itself, should in each case give this information. Upon biographical matters and in the general elucidation of the manuscripts, the footnotes are excellent.

The editor has in the main given very satisfactory references to the location of the documents. Citation of any kind is lacking in a few cases, but the particular section and legajo are generally given where that is possible. In the case of the Cuban papers it is impossible owing to the fact that the Spanish officials have not yet been able to classify the material.

A ten page introduction gives a brief summary of the Spanish period. In the opening sentence of this introduction Mr. Houck makes the curious statement that France ceded Canada to England in 1762. It seems quite inconceivable that he should not know such fundamental dates as those of the Treaty of Paris of 1763, by which France gave up her American claims to England, and the Treaty of Fontainebleau of 1762, by which France secretly gave Louisiana to Spain. One would naturally ascribe it to a typographical error were it not for the fact that in his *History of Missouri* (Volume I, pages 286 and 287) he speaks of the "treaty of Paris of 1762, by which the country east of the Mississippi was ceded to England", and gives for the date of the Treaty of Fontainebleau, December 3, 1762, instead of November 3, 1762. He also speaks in the introduction of the well known trader, Andrew Todd, but designates him as David Todd, evidently confusing him for a moment with Judge David Todd, prominent in Missouri a quarter of a century later.

In each volume is given a table of contents indicating in general the date and contents of each document, and an index of forty-five pages completes the work.

It is difficult to estimate the value of the material Mr. Houck has here presented. So few published transcripts of foreign sources on Mississippi Valley history exist that such an extensive addition is

very welcome indeed, and the editor justly merits a great deal of credit for rendering this service to the historical interests of the Middle West.

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GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

The League of American Municipalities has published *The Book of American Municipalities* for 1909.

George Armstrong Wauchope is the author of a four hundred page volume on *The Writers of South Carolina*.

The flood of Lincoln books continues. J. T. Hobson is the author of a volume entitled *Footprints of Abraham Lincoln*.

A History of the United States, by S. E. Forman, is an addition to the school histories. The Century Company are the publishers.

Among the recent publications of the American Book Company is a volume by J. W. Garner entitled *Introduction to Political Science*.

Butler and his Cavalry in the War of Secession, by U. R. Brooks, is a volume published by The State Company of Columbia, South Carolina.

A volume containing the *Records of Officers and Men of New Jersey in Wars, 1791-1815*, has been printed by authority of the legislature.

An article of western interest in the July number of *The American Catholic Historical Researches* is one entitled *Where is P. Rene Menard's Grave?* by J. J. Holzknicht.

Philanthropy and Public Opinion is the title of a pamphlet containing a statement by the editor of *The Survey* in behalf of the Charities Publication Committee, describing the work accomplished during the past year. There are also portraits of prominent social workers.

A pamphlet published by the International School of Peace contains an address by the late Justice David J. Brewer on *The Mission of the United States in the Cause of Peace*.

Ferdinand Schmitter is the writer of a monograph on the *Upper Yukon Native Customs and Folk-Lore*, which appears in a recent number of the *Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections*.

The *Statistical Abstract of the United States* for 1909 has been issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor. As usual, this volume contains a great mass of valuable information.

The Macmillan Company has published a volume on the *Social and Political Conditions in the North During the Civil War*, by E. D. Fite, a volume which touches a field hitherto much neglected.

The Year Book of The Pennsylvania Society, 1910, contains the proceedings, reports and addresses of the Society for the year 1909. A number of portraits and illustrations add interest to the volume.

In March the Sturgis and Walton Company issued a two volume work by George Cary Eggleston, entitled *The History of the Confederate War*. Thus there is added another name for the war of 1861-1865.

Articles of historical interest in the May number of the *Journal of the United States Cavalry Association* are: *Kilpatrick's Raid Around Atlanta*, by W. L. Curry; and *The Outbreak of September, 1879*, by H. W. Spooner.

John Rose Ficklen is the author of a monograph on the *History of Reconstruction in Louisiana (Through 1868)*, which appears in a recent number of the *Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science*.

The Taxation of Land Values: A Proposal for Economic and Social Reform is the title of a pamphlet distributed by the Joseph Fels Fund of America. In substance it is an argument for the adoption of the reform advocated by Henry George.

In a volume on *Latter-Day Problems* (Charles Scribner's Sons) J. Laurence Laughlin deals with such subjects as labor unions,

socialism, charity work and social settlements, large fortunes, the valuation of railways, and problems connected with banking.

In February the Maryland Peace Society issued the first number of a periodical to be known as the *Maryland Quarterly*. This number contains a discussion of *Judicial Proceedings as a Substitute for War or International Self-Redress*, by James Brown Scott.

Albert Bushnell Hart is the author of a volume entitled *The Southern South* which has been published by D. Appleton and Company. The volume deals in a thorough and scholarly manner with the various social, economic, political, and moral problems which confront the Southland to-day.

Our Slavic Fellow Citizens is the title of a volume by Emily Greene Balch, recently published by the Charities Publication Committee of New York City. Much of the material included in this excellent volume was published in a series of articles in *Charities and the Commons* in 1906 and 1907.

The articles in *The Grafton Magazine of History and Genealogy* are: *Poncet Stelle, Sieur de Lorieres, a Huguenot, and Some of his New Jersey Descendants*, by Ora Eugene Monnette; *The New Genealogy*, by Charles Knowles Bolton; and *The New York Loyalists in Nova Scotia*, by Arthur Wentworth Hamilton Eaton.

Prohibition: Its Relation to Temperance, Good Morals and Sound Government is the title of a volume compiled by Joseph Debar. It consists of an unprejudiced selection from the writings and speeches of men and women who have studied the question from the standpoint of both theory and practice.

The *Monthly List of State Publications* issued by the Division of Documents in the Library of Congress proves valuable for purposes of reference. Whatever omissions may be noticed from time to time are doubtless due to lack of coöperation on the part of State authorities and institutions.

D. Appleton and Company have announced the preparation of a work which promises to be of great value for reference, namely, a

Cyclopaedia of American Government. Andrew C. McLaughlin and Albert Bushnell Hart have editorial supervision of this work which will probably appear in three volumes in 1912.

The Charities Publication Committee has announced a six volume work embodying the results of *The Pittsburgh Survey*, edited by Paul Underwood Kellogg. Various social workers will have charge of the separate volumes each of which will be on a special subject. Two volumes are now ready for distribution.

Law Book Making from a Law Librarian's Standpoint is the title of a paper read before the American Association of Law Libraries in 1909, by A. J. Small of the State Law Library at Des Moines, Iowa. The paper has been reprinted from the October number of the *Index to Legal Periodicals and Law Library Journal*.

A Genealogical History of the Dupuy Family, by Charles Meredith Dupuy and his son Herbert Dupuy, is one of the handsomest of the recent additions to genealogical literature. It is a large quarto volume, printed on excellent paper and attractively bound. The volume abounds in charts, portraits and illustrations.

Among the articles in the May number of *The American Journal of Sociology* are: *The Social Marking System*, by Franklin H. Giddings; *Outline of a Theory of Social Motives*, by James M. Williams; *Influence of Superstition on the Evolution of Property Rights*, by Hutton Webster; and *Notes on the Recent Census of Religious Bodies*, by George A. Coe.

The Annual Magazine Subject-Index, 1909, compiled by Frederick W. Faxon, and published by The Boston Book Company, like its predecessors, is a valuable aid to the student since it opens up a field of literature not included in the other indexes. Historical periodicals, as before, occupy a prominent place. The volume this year also includes *The Dramatic Index for 1909*.

Adelaide R. Hasse contributes a note on the proceedings of *The Southern Convention of 1850* in the April number of the *Bulletin of the New York Public Library*. Here also may be found a continuation of a *List of Works Relating to the Near Eastern Question*

and the Balkan States, which is concluded in the May number. In the June number there begins a *List of Works Relating to British Genealogy and Local History*.

The following pamphlets have been issued by the American Association for International Conciliation during April, May, and June: *The United States and Germany*, by Karl von Lewinski; *The United States and Mexico*, by James Douglas; *The International Duty of the United States and Great Britain*, by Edwin D. Mead; and the *Opening Address at the Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration*, by Nicholas Murray Butler.

Sources of American Railway Freight Traffic is the title of an article by Emory R. Johnson which appears in the *Bulletin of the American Geographical Society* for April. *The Caverns and People of Northern Yucatan*, by Leon J. Cole; and *The Development of Commercial Centers*, by J. Russell Smith, are articles in the May number. A brief discussion of *The New Boundary Between Bolivia and Peru*, together with an excellent map, is presented in the June number.

The May number of *The Yale Review* opens with a number of tributes to the late William Graham Sumner. Then follows the second installment of Maurice H. Robinson's study of *The Holding Corporation*. Other articles are: *Victorian Wages Boards and the New Zealand Conciliation-Arbitration Act*, by Paul Kennaday; *Legal Limitations Upon Interference with the Contract Rights of a Competitor*, by Mason Trowbridge; and *Some Immigration Differences*, by Henry Pratt Fairchild.

The South Atlantic Quarterly for April contains a good variety of excellent articles, among which may be mentioned: *The South in National Politics*, by William Garrott Brown; *Science in its Relation to the Industrial Development of the South*, by Lewis W. Parker; *Ex-Slave Pension Frauds*, by Walter L. Fleming; *The German Element in the Settlement of the South*, by William H. Wannamaker; and *The Antecedents of the North Carolina Convention of 1835*, by William K. Boyd.

Elfrida Everhart is the author of *A Handbook of United States Public Documents* which has been brought out by The H. W. Wilson Company of Minneapolis. The various government publications from the days of the Continental Congress down to the present are classified and described in such a way as to give the investigator a clue to the material which these publications contain. It is a volume which will prove very useful for purposes of reference.

Stocks and the Stock Market is the general subject of discussion in *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* for May. Among the articles are: *The Scope and Functions of the Stock Market*, by S. S. Huebner; *Stocks and their Features — Division and Classification*, by John Adams; *Preferred Stocks as Investments*, by John Moody; *The Sources of Market News*, by Roger W. Babson; and *The Wrongs and Opportunities in Mining Investments*, by Francis C. Nicholas.

Wesley Newcomb Hohfeld writes on *The Individual Liability of Stockholders and the Conflict of Laws* in the April number of the *Columbia Law Review*, and the discussion is continued in the June number. Articles in the May number are: *The Income Tax Amendment*, by Dwight W. Morrow; *The Fifteenth Amendment*, by William C. Coleman; and *Street Railways and the Inter-state Commerce Act*, by Borden D. Whiting. In the June number may also be found a discussion of *Public Control of Irrigation*, by Samuel C. Wiel.

Irene Osgood presents *A Review of Labor Legislation in the United States for the Year 1909* in the May number of *The American Political Science Review*. Roland P. Falkner writes on *Citizenship for the Porto Ricans*; and another article is one by Edward Porritt on *Recent and Pending Constitutional Changes in England*. The *Notes on Current Legislation* in this number are conducted by Horace E. Flack. Among the *News and Notes* is an outline sketch of *Cleveland's Street Railway Settlement*, by T. L. Sidlo.

The Home-Coming of Roosevelt is the title of an article by Walter Wellman in the May number of *The American Review of Re-*

views. E. Dana Durand tells of *Taking the Census of 1910*; while *The Doom of the Old "Machine" Convention*, by Robert S. Binkerd; and *The Burden of Waste in Public Expenditure*, by Myron T. Herrick, are other articles. *The Coming Crisis in China*, by Adachi Kinnosuki; and *Irrigation Securities and the Investor*, by E. G. Hopson, are among the articles in the July number.

In addition to the usual reports the *Sixth Annual Report of the Library Board of the Virginia State Library, 1908-1909*, contains a special report of the Department of Archives and History which consists of a study of the *Separation of Church and State in Virginia*, by H. J. Eckenrode. This monograph covers one hundred and sixty-four pages, and gives evidence of careful and critical preparation. There is also *A Trial Bibliography of Colonial Virginia (1754-1776)*, which is presented as a special report of the Department of Bibliography under the direction of William Clayton-Torrence.

The Quarterly Journal of Economics for May is filled with articles on live topics, among which may be mentioned: *The Separation of State and Local Revenues*, by Charles J. Bullock; *The Subjective Element in the First Principles of Taxation*, by F. Y. Edgeworth; and *Present Work and Present Wages*, by J. G. Thompson. Under the heading of *Notes and Memoranda* may be found a number of brief articles. Edward W. Bemis tells of *The Cleveland Street Railway Settlement*; C. H. Parker discusses *The Decline in Trade Union Membership*; and Henry Davis Bushnell describes *An American Experiment in Workmen's Insurance*.

Under the heading, *First Authoritative Investigation of "Oldest Native Document in America"*, Hjalmar Rued Holand tells the story of the famous Kensington Runestone, in the April number of *The Journal of American History*. Walter L. Fleming contributes an interesting discussion of *Historic Attempts to Solve the Race Problem in America by Deportation*. George Thomas Surface presents some *Investigations into the Character of Jefferson as a Scientist*. In an article entitled *Adventures of a Merchant-Tradesman on the American Continent* there are related some incidents

in the career of William Pepperrell, by one of his descendants, William Salter of Burlington, Iowa. A number of other articles may be found, as well as many portraits and illustrations which, as usual, form an important part of the contents of the *Journal*.

The *Journal of the American Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology* is a new bi-monthly periodical which made its initial appearance in May. Professor James W. Garner of the University of Illinois is the Editor-in-Chief, and with him are associated a number of eminent lawyers and teachers of criminal law. Among the articles in this number are: *Anglo-American Philosophies of Penal Law*, by Thomas Hill Green; *A Plan for the Reorganization of Criminal Statistics in the United States*, by Louis N. Robinson; *The Cost of Crime*, by Warren F. Spalding; and *The Bill to Establish a Criminology Laboratory at Washington*, by Edward Lindsey.

Under the heading, *Our Nation's Biggest Bargain*, Warrick James Price writes the story of the Alaska Purchase in the April number of *Americana*. Elizabeth L. Stocking tells some interesting *Legends of Grosse Pointe*; and there is a second installment of Viscount de Fronsac's discussion of *Rights Belonging to the Aryan and Seigneurial Order of the Empire of Canada*. An article of particular interest to Iowans is one by Edmund Frederick Steele Joy, on *Major General Frederick Steele and Staff*. General Steele, by reason of his military connections, was identified with Iowa more than with any other State in the Union; and the list of his staff officers contains the names of many Iowa men. Among the contributions in the May number are: *Mr. Moffat and the Moffat Road*, by Lelia M. Tinsley; and *Spectacular Features of Indian Camp Life in the Northwest*, by Lotta Allen Meacham.

WESTERN

A pamphlet containing a *History of Kensal* (North Dakota) is a western item, by William Snape.

Political Reform in Wisconsin is the title of a recent volume by Emanuel S. Philipp and Edgar T. Wheelock.

Traffic History of the Mississippi River System, by Frank H. Dixon, is a publication of the National Waterways Commission.

In the number of *The University of Colorado Studies* published in March there is an optimistic discussion of *The Declining Birth-rate*, by John Burton Phillips.

A new western historical publication has appeared under the name of the *Utah Genealogical and Historical Magazine*. The first number was issued in January.

In the *Bulletin of the Indiana State Library* for March there is a *Bibliography of Indiana Local History Contained in County Histories, Atlases, and Collected Biographies*.

In the June number of the bulletin issued by the Minnesota Public Library Commission there is an article on the *Duty of the Public Library for the Preservation of Local History*, by Warren Upham.

A revised and enlarged edition of Peter J. Hamilton's *Colonial Mobile* has recently appeared. The new material to be found in this edition will be very welcome to students of the early history of the lower Mississippi Valley.

The January number of *The University Studies* published by the University of Illinois contains an historical discussion of *The Arts Course at Medieval Universities with Special References to Grammar and Rhetoric*, by Louis John Paetow.

The Dawn of the World: Myths and Wierd Tales Told by the Mewan Indians of California, collected and edited by C. Hart Merriam, is an attractive publication by The Arthur H. Clark Company. A number of illustrations, some of them in several colors, add charm to the volume.

Two numbers of the *University of California Publications in American Archaeology and Ethnology* published in March and April contain the following monographs respectively: *The Religious Practices of the Diegueno Indians*, by T. T. Waterman; and *The Ellis Landing Shellmound*, by N. C. Nelson.

Among the contents of the April number of *The University of California Chronicle* may be mentioned an address on *The Spirit of the State Universities*, by Henry Smith Pritchett; and a number of articles *In Memoriam: Willard Bradley Rising*.

Volume five, part one, of the *Anthropological Papers of the American Museum of Natural History* consists of a monograph on the *Material Culture of the Blackfoot Indians*, by Clark Wissler. A large number of illustrations and diagrams add to the clearness and value of this monograph.

IOWANA

Paul F. Peck is the writer of a sketch of *Grinnell College*, which appears in the April number of *Midland Schools*.

In the April number of *The Grinnell Review* there are some *Reminiscences of Early Days in Grinnell*, by Georgiana Reed Demarest.

Blanche Spinney-Rasmussen is the writer of an article on *Prominent Iowans in New York*, which is printed in the June number of *The Midwestern*.

In the April number of *The Old Continental* there is a biographical sketch of Wesley Johnson Banks of Centerville, Iowa, whose father fought under Baron Steuben in the Revolutionary War.

The *Proceedings of the Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Iowa State Teachers Association* contains the papers and addresses presented at the meeting in Des Moines, November 4-6, 1909.

Minnewaukon (Spirit Lake) and its Legend is a profusely illustrated booklet evidently intended for advertising purposes, but which, nevertheless, contains some historical facts regarding an interesting region in northern Iowa.

The May number of *Midland Municipalities* contains a continuation of the *Minutes of the First Annual Meeting of the League of Nebraska Municipalities*; an address by Don L. Love, entitled *Should the Commissioners Under A Commission Form of Government Serve Without Pay?*; and an article by T. J. Phillipps on the

Commission Plan of Government. In the June number there is an address on the *Control of Public Utilities*, by C. H. Van Law; and an article on *Municipal Control of Street Trees*, by A. T. Erwin.

The Early Evolution of the Locomotive, by Frederick M. Smith, is the opening article in the May number of *Autumn Leaves*. A. A. Reams writes on *Exploring Iowa Mounds* and there is an article on *Aztec Relics in the National Museum of Mexico*. In the June number there is a *Biographical Sketch of Elder Hubert Case of the First Quorum of Seventy*, by James E. Yates.

The Constitutional Law of Masonry is an article by A. G. Pitts, begun in the March number of *The American Freemason* and continued in the April number, in which may also be found Thomas P. C. Barnard's article on *Masonic Symbols, their Meanings and Probable Origins*. Paul Kreuz-Pointner writes on *The Freemasonry of the German Guilds* in the May number.

Volume eleven of the *Bulletin of Iowa Institutions* contains the reports of the quarterly conferences of the chief executives of the State institutions with the Board of Control, and a number of papers of value to workers in charitable and correctional institutions. An article of historical interest is one by Eloise Wilson on *The Pioneer Superintendents of Institutions for Feeble-Minded Children*.

Duplicity Exposed, by Heman C. Smith; and *All Brighamite Roads Lead to Polygamy*, by Elbert A. Smith, are pamphlets issued by the Herald Publishing House at Lamoni, Iowa. The former is a refutation of certain pamphlets distributed by the Northern States Mission of the Utah church; while the latter deals with other tracts emanating from the same source, especially one advocating polygamy.

The April number of the *Journal of History* published by the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Lamoni opens with a map and a brief description of the original city of Nauvoo. Then follow some reminiscences by Joseph Smith entitled *What Do I Remember of Nauvoo?* A description of *The*

Nauvoo Temple is written by Heman C. Smith, as are also articles on *Nauvoo House*, and *The Assassination of Joseph and Hyrum Smith*. Other articles are: *Two Widows of the Brick Row*, by Vida E. Smith; *A Visit to Historic Places*, by John C. Grainger; and *The Icarian Community at Nauvoo*, by Inez Smith.

SOME RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY IOWA AUTHORS

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Daniel K. Shaver — Oldest Printer in Iowa, April 10, 1910.

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Odd Fellows of Iowa Celebrate their Ninety-first Anniversary, April 24, 1910.

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Frederick Mott, Pioneer Educator, by L. F. Andrews, May 29, 1910.
Old Grads Return to Simpson Campus, June 2, 1910.
C. W. Bender, an Early Pioneer of Postville, June 5, 1910.
Some of the Trials Which Pioneer Women Endured, June 12, 1910.
A. H. Guzeman — Real Son of the Revolution, June 12, 1910.
E. W. Jamar — An Old Time Minstrel Man, June 12, 1910.
Benjamin Franklin Kauffman, an Early Settler, by L. F. Andrews, June 19, 1910.
Sketch of Life of Judge John F. Dillon, June 19, 1910.
Comparison of Iowa and Nebraska, by Albert Watkins, June 19, 1910.
Sketch of Life of F. M. Davis — One of Iowa's Public Spirited Veterans, June 19, 1910.
Dean B. E. Shepperd Retires After Many Years of Service, June 19, 1910.
Marquette Discovered the Mississippi River 237 Years Ago, June 19, 1910.
History of the Sixteenth Iowa, by L. F. Andrews, June 26, 1910.

The Burlington Hawk-Eye

- Twenty Years Ago (In each Sunday issue).
War Time Sketch, by W. P. Elliott, April 3 and June 26, 1910.
Sketch of Life of Judge George H. Williams, April 5, 1910.
Early Days in Burlington, by William F. Gilbert, April 10, 1910.
Ghosts of Dead Cities in Illinois, April 17, 1910.
A Pioneer Recollection of Early Days in Burlington — Letter by William G. Ross, April 24, 1910.
Sharp Contrasts in the Civil War, by W. P. Elliott, May 1, 1910.
Funeral Car of Lincoln Much Abused War Relic, May 8, 1910.

Authentic Story of the First Settlement of Burlington, by William Henry Smith, May 8, and June 19, 1910.

Pioneer Recollections of Wm. G. Ross, by Hiram Heaton, May 8, 1910.

Interesting Pioneers of Des Moines County — Mr. and Mrs. Herman Myers, May 8, 1910.

How Lincoln was Nominated, May 11, 1910.

Barrett House, Burlington's First Great Hotel, May 15, 1910.

Heroic Women in the Civil War, by W. P. Elliott, May 22, 1910.

Howe's Academy at Mt. Pleasant — One of Iowa's Oldest Educational Institutions, May 22, 1910.

The Hanging of the Hodges, May 22, 1910.

Keokuk's Celebrated Case of Mrs. Grimsley, May 22, 1910.

When the Soldier Boy Went Away to the War, June 5, 1910.

Robert Burdette's Tribute to Mark Twain, June 19, 1910.

Proceedings of June Session of the Jefferson County Historical Society, by Hiram Heaton, June 19, 1910.

William Salter — A Prophet who is Honored in his own Country, June 19, 1910.

The Sioux City Journal

Twenty Years Ago (In each Sunday issue).

The Story of a Benevolent Dictatorship — Activities of J. W. Pilkington of Dexter, April 10, 1910.

Sketch of life of Francis Herbert — Pioneer of Woodbury County, April 13, 1910.

A Journal Printer of 1870, April 19, 1910.

Lemars in 1870, April 19, 1910.

The Daily Journal's Fortieth Birthday, April 19, 1910.

Extracts from the Journal of Forty Years Ago, April 19, 1910.

Sioux City in 1870, April 19, 1910.

D. W. Butts — Pioneer Northwestern Iowa Editor, April 19, 1910.

Sketch of Life of John A. Kasson, May 19, 1910.

Henry Wallace — The Story of a Modern Miracle, May 29, 1910.

Grasshopper Invasions of Pioneer Days, June 5, 1910.

Sketch of Life of John Pierce, June 15, 1910.

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

PUBLICATIONS

The *Annual Report of the Connecticut Historical Society* contains the reports presented at the annual meeting, May 24, 1910, and a list of officers and members.

The Massachusetts Historical Society has published a neat volume by Samuel Abbott Green, on *John Foster the Earliest American Engraver and the First Boston Printer*.

Herbert N. Ackerman is the writer of an article on *The Congregational Church of West Medford* which appears in the April number of *The Medford Historical Register*.

Volume one, number five of the *Publications of the Academy of Pacific Coast History* is devoted to a monograph on *The United States Consulate in California*, by Rayner Wickersham Kelsey.

The New England Churches and the First Presbytery, by William H. Roberts; and *Self-Government and Calvinism*, by Paul Fredericq, are articles in the June number of the *Journal of the Presbyterian Historical Society*.

The April number of the *Deutsch-Amerikanische Geschichtsblätter* is largely taken up with a continuation of selections *Aus den Aufzeichnungen von L. A. Wollenweber*, and with the *Geschichte des Omaha Schweizer-Colonie*, by Xaver Stadler.

The January and April numbers of the *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly* are combined, and are entirely taken up with *David Zeisberger's History of North American Indians*, edited by Archer Butler Hulbert and William Nathaniel Schwarze.

J. Franklin Jameson's historical sketch of *The American Historical Association, 1884-1909*, has been reprinted from the October number of *The American Historical Review*. The Association has also issued a pamphlet descriptive of its aims and activities.

Robert Hoe is the subject of a biographical sketch by Walter Gilliss in the April number of *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*. John R. Totten is the writer of an article on the *Science of Genealogy: The Growing Interest in this Study in the United States*.

An account of the *Fuenfte Konvention des Deutsch-Amerikanischen National-Bundes*, and a continuation of William G. Bek's study of *The Community at Bethel, Missouri, and Its Offspring at Aurora, Oregon*, take up the greater part of the *German American Annals* for January and February.

Among the articles in the May number of the *Register of Kentucky State Historical Society* are: *The Great Revival of 1800*, by Z. F. Smith; *Col. Richard Henderson of the Famous Transylvania Company*, by Susan S. Towles; *Pre-historic Animals in Kentucky and the Ohio Valley*, by R. B. Gilbert; and the *Diary of John Findlay Torrence, 1841*.

Among the contents of *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* for April, in addition to continuations, is an article on *The Last Fifteen Years of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1761-1776*, by James Mercer Garnett. The *Proceeding of the Virginia Historical Society* at its annual meeting on January 6, 1910, are also printed in this number.

The April number of the *Historical Collections of the Essex Institute* opens with a biographical sketch of *Francis Safford Dodge, Brigadier General in the United States Army*, by Mary Hunt Weston Dodge. *Groveland Localities and Place-Names*, compiled in 1854 by Alfred Poore; and *Marblehead in the Year 1700*, by Sidney Perley, are among the other contributions.

The *Collections of the Maine Historical Society* consists of volume fourteen of the *Documentary History of the State of Maine*, and contains *The Baxter Manuscripts*, edited by James Phinney Baxter. The letters, state papers, and other documents contained in this collection cover the years from 1766 to 1777, thus bringing the series down to the period of the Revolutionary War.

Charles E. Brown is the writer of three articles which appear in the January-April number of *The Wisconsin Archeologist*. The first deals with *The Intaglio Mounds of Wisconsin*. In the second article there are presented some *Notes on the Occurrence and Use of Bone, Shell, Hematite and Lead Implements in Wisconsin*. The last article tells of *Some Little-Known Wisconsin Implements*.

Agricultural Organization in Illinois, 1870-1880, is the title of an article by Solon J. Buck, which appears in the April number of the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society*. An illustrated account of *Lincoln's Defense of Duff Armstrong* is presented by J. N. Gridley. Among the *Reprints* are a *History of Churches in Adams County*, and an article on *Pioneer Congregational Ministers in Illinois*.

Among the articles in *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* for April are: *The Struggle and Rise of Popular Power in Pennsylvania's First Two Decades, (1682-1701)*, by H. Frank Eshelman; "*Hail Columbia*" and its *First Publication: A Critical Inquiry*, by Charles Henry Hart; and some extracts from the journal of Sergeant Thomas Sullivan under the heading *From Brandywine to Philadelphia*.

The Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society for December opens with *The Peter Skene Ogden Journals*, edited by T. C. Elliott. Then follow a second chapter of *The Financial History of the State of Oregon*, by F. G. Young; and an account of the *Dedication of the M'Loughlin Home*. The principal contribution in the January number is an address on *Oregon Counties: Their Creations and the Origins of their Names*, by Frederick V. Holman.

The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine for January opens with an article on *The Evacuation of Charleston by the British in 1782*, by Joseph W. Barnwell. *Radnor, Edmundsbury and Jacksonborough* is the title of an article by Henry A. M. Smith. Two contributions in the April number are: *The Baronies of South Carolina*, by Henry A. M. Smith; and *Notes on Some Colonial Governors of South Carolina and their Families*, by M. Alston Read.

The fourth chapter of Alex. Dienst's study of *The Navy of the Republic of Texas* appears in the belated October number of *The Quarterly of the Texas State Historical Association*. Other contributions are: *The Clopper Correspondence, 1834-1838*; and an article on *James H. C. Miller and Edward Gritten*, by Eugene C. Barker. In the January number there is a scholarly monograph by Ethel Zivley Rather on the *Recognition of the Republic of Texas by the United States*.

Besides continuations the following articles may be found in *The New England Genealogical Register* for April: A biographical sketch of *George Sumner Mann*, by Marquis Fayette Dickinson; *Extracts from the Journal of Elder Phineas Pillsbury of Nobleboro, Me.*; and a study of the *First Ownership of Ohio Lands*, by Albion Morris Dyer. A supplement to this number of the *Register* contains the *Proceedings of the New England Historic Genealogical Society* at the annual meeting on January 26, 1910.

The opening contribution in the *Maryland Historical Magazine* for March is a paper on *Brantz Mayer*, by Bernard C. Steiner. There are also some *Letters of Francis Scott Key to Roger Brooke Taney, and Other Correspondence*. Among the contributions in the June number are: *Recollections of Baltimore*, by John H. Naff; *Cruizing on the Chesapeake in 1781*, by Isaac J. Greenwood; *Luther Martin's Speech to the House of Delegates*, contributed by Bernard C. Steiner; and some *Land Notes, 1634-1655*.

A reprint from the *Papers of the Military Historical Society of Massachusetts*, volume seven, contains a number of Civil War sketches, by Ephraim A. Otis. The first sketch describes *The Second Day at Shiloh*, in which battle the writer served as an aide to Colonel Gibson who commanded the sixth brigade of McCook's division. *Recollections of the Kentucky Campaign of 1862* is the title of the second sketch; while the last deals with *The Murfreesboro Campaign*.

Warren Upham contributes an article on *Washington's Canoe Trip Down the Potomac Related in a Letter to Colonel Innes*.

in the *Records of the Past* for March-April. Henry W. Haynes tells of the *Discovery of an Indian Shell-Heap on Boston Common*. Frederick Bennett Wright discusses *The Relation of the Great Museums and Institutions to the Independent Local Investigator*. Articles on *San Hipolito*, by A. L. Van Antwerp; and *Discoveries in Babylonia and the Neighboring Lands*, by Theophilus G. Pinches, are among the other contributions.

The *Proceedings* of the Massachusetts Historical Society for the year 1908-1909 contains the usual account of the transactions of the Society, a number of papers and addresses, and some documentary material. Among the latter are: some *Letters of James Monroe, 1790-1827*; a number of papers under the heading *Quaker Protests, 1659-1675*; a series of letters from the *Van Buren-Bancroft Correspondence, 1830-1845*; and the *Diaries of Rev. William Smith and Dr. Cotton Tufts, 1738-1784*. The Society has published a comprehensive general index to the first twenty volumes of the *Proceedings* (Second Series).

The United States Catholic Historical Society has issued a neat volume of over two hundred pages containing a *Diary of a Visit to the United States of America in the Year 1883*, by Charles Lord Russell, late Lord Chief Justice of England. The volume is edited by Charles George Herbermann, and there is an introduction by Matthew Russell and an appendix by Thomas Francis Meehan. The diary is very readable and indicates that the writer was quite favorably impressed with America. The party of which Lord Russell was a member journeyed across the continent on the first through train on the Northern Pacific Railway.

The January-March number of *The Quarterly Publication of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio* contains four letters, each describing a journey in the western country during the early days. The first is entitled *Tour to Mobile, Pensacola, &c.*, and consists of a letter written by Peyton Short to Henry Clay in 1809. The second is a letter from Peyton Short to Dr. Frederick Ridgely in 1809, describing a *Tour to Fort St. Stephens, Fort Stoddert, and Pensacola*. James McBride is the writer of the third and fourth

letters which were written respectively to Margaret Poe in 1810 describing a *Journey to Lexington, Kentucky*; and to Mary McRoberts in 1812 telling of a *Voyage Down the Mississippi River* during the period of the New Madrid earthquake.

Volume seven of the *Contributions to the Historical Society of Montana* contains a number of papers of general interest. Wilbur Edgerton Sanders writes in an entertaining manner of *Montana: Organization, Name and Naming*. David B. Weaver's recollections of *Early Days in Emigrant Gulch* is interesting to Iowans because the writer and a number of persons referred to in the article at one time resided in Iowa. Frank H. Woody tells *How an Early Pioneer Came to Montana and the Privations Encountered on the Journey*. Under the heading, *Early Navigation of the Upper Missouri River* may be found a report of a steamboat expedition from St. Louis to Fort Benton in 1859, by Charles P. Chouteau. *Sacajaweah: An Historical Sketch*, by William F. Wheeler, is another article of interest.

The tenth volume of the *Publications of the Mississippi Historical Society*, edited by Franklin L. Riley, contains a good variety of articles on State history. There is also much material of general interest, among which may be mentioned: *The War in Mississippi after the Fall of Vicksburg, July 4, 1863*, by Stephen D. Lee; *The Vicksburg Campaign*, by Frank Johnston; *The Tupelo Campaign*, by Theodore G. Carter; *Aaron Burr in Mississippi*, by Charles B. Galloway; *Jefferson Davis at West Point*, by Walter L. Fleming; and the *Diary of a Mississippi Planter*, by Franklin L. Riley. The last hundred pages are devoted to tables of contents, an author index and a subject index for the first ten volumes of the *Collections*. It is believed that consolidation of all this material into a single and more extensive index would have increased the serviceability of this part of the volume.

Volume one of the *Annual Report of the American Historical Association for the Year 1907* is largely taken up with William Spence Robertson's monograph on *Francisco de Miranda and the Revolutionizing of Spanish America*. Among the other papers

which may be mentioned are: *Proposals for an Indian State, 1778-1878*, by Annie H. Abel; *The Pacific Railroads and the Disappearance of the Frontier in America*, by Frederic L. Paxson; *The Sentiment of the People of California with Respect to the Civil War*, by John Jewett Earle; and a *Résumé of the Archives Situations in the Several States in 1907*, compiled by Herman V. Ames. Volume two is devoted to part one of the *Diplomatic Correspondence of the Republic of Texas*, edited by George P. Garrison. The correspondence here printed for the first time covers the period from December, 1835, to December, 1842. There is also a calendar of correspondence hitherto printed.

An interesting and extended account of *The Meeting of the American Historical Association at New York* opens the April number of *The American Historical Review*. The first article is one by James F. Baldwin, on *The King's Council and the Chancery*. There is a second installment of Guy S. Ford's study of *Wöllner and the Prussian Religious Edict of 1788*; while John W. Foster presents a discussion of *The Contest for the Laws of Reform in Mexico*. James Ford Rhodes is the writer of the concluding article, which is a highly entertaining story of *The Molly Maguires in the Anthracite Region of Pennsylvania*, in which are described the operations and the downfall of this powerful band of criminals. Under the heading of *Documents* appear four letters varying in time from 1777 to 1867, perhaps the most interesting being a *Letter of John Quincy Adams, from Ghent, 1814*, and a *Letter of William Henry Trescot on Reconstruction in South Carolina, 1867*.

In 1907 a *Virginia Series* in the *Collections of the Illinois State Historical Library* was begun by the publication of the *Cahokia Records, 1778-1790*, edited by Clarence Walworth Alvord. Another volume, entitled *Kaskaskia Records, 1778-1790*, under the same editorship, has been added to the series. Since the first volume contained a general introduction to the whole series, the introduction to the present volume is comparatively brief and is devoted to the discussion of certain problems. As a rule the documents are arranged in chronological order, and for purposes of conven-

ience are divided into fifteen chapters. As is the case with the *Cahokia Records* these documents will prove of immense value to the student of early western history, since the greater part of them have hitherto been unaccessible except in manuscript. The commendable policy of giving both original and translation in the case of French documents has been followed, although it is believed that the manner of arrangement is not an improvement over that employed in the first volume. It is a matter of some surprise that the title page and the binder's lettering differ quite radically from the first volume in the series. Nevertheless, the changes are decided improvements.

The second volume of the *Proceedings of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association* was distributed in May. It is a handsome volume of nearly three hundred pages, and contains the transactions, papers, and addresses at the mid-winter meeting at Richmond, Virginia, on December 30, 1908, and at the second annual meeting at St. Louis, Missouri, June 17-19, 1909. Benjamin F. Shambaugh is the editor. Among the papers at the Richmond meeting were the following: *The North Carolina Cession of 1784 in Its Federal Aspects*, by St. George Leakin Sioussat; *William Clark — the Indian Agent*, by Harlow Lindley; and *The Story of Sergeant Charles Floyd*, by Frank Harmon Garver. At the St. Louis meeting there were a number of excellent papers, among which may be mentioned: *Ethnological Problems of the Lower Mississippi Valley*, by John R. Swanton; *Remarks on the Study of Aboriginal American History*, by William H. Holmes; *The Significance of the Attack on St. Louis, 1780*, by James Alton James; *The Western Sanitary Commission*, by Roland G. Usher; and *Early Trade and Travel in the Lower Mississippi Valley*, by William O. Scroggs. This volume completes the record of the meetings of the Association up to the meeting at Iowa City in May of this year, the proceedings of which will be published during the summer or fall.

ACTIVITIES

Mr. Louis H. Dielman has succeeded Dr. William Hand Browne as the editor of the *Maryland Historical Magazine*.

The Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society held its thirty-sixth annual meeting at Lansing on June 7 and 8, 1910.

The Connecticut Historical Society has recently come into possession of some additional Huntington papers for the year 1776.

The late Mrs. Henry G. Russell willed to the Rhode Island Historical Society a number of papers relating to Gabriel Bernon, a Huguenot immigrant. These papers cover the period from 1685 to 1735.

The library of the Massachusetts Historical Society has been made the depository of the Henry Knox papers, which are bound in fifty-five volumes. The New England Historic and Genealogical Society is the donor.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical Society was held on May 5 and 6, 1910. The principal address was delivered by Professor Frederic L. Paxson, on the subject: *The West and the Growth of the National Ideal*.

THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The third annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association was held at Iowa City on Thursday and Friday, May 26 and 27, 1910, following a program presented under the auspices of The State Historical Society of Iowa. The following program was prepared and, with a few exceptions, was given in full:

May 26, 10:00 A. M.

Address of Welcome — George Edwin MacLean, President of the State University of Iowa.

President's Address — *Professional Ideals* — Orin G. Libby, Professor in the State University of North Dakota.

Paper — *The Evolution of Nebraska* — Albert Watkins, Historian in the State Historical Society of Nebraska.

Paper — *The Pioneer and the Forest* — Bohumil Shimek, Professor in the State University of Iowa.

Paper — *The State Historical Museum* — Charles E. Brown, Chief of the Wisconsin State Historical Museum.

May 26, 12:30 P. M.

Luncheon tendered to the members of The Mississippi Valley Historical Association and the members of The State Historical Society of Iowa by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Cox at their home on the corner of Clinton and Market Streets.

May 26, 2:00 P. M.

A Conference of Teachers of History

Professor James A. James, Professor of History in Northwestern University, Presiding.

Paper — *Chief Features of the Report of the Committee of Five of the American Historical Association* — Andrew C. McLaughlin, Professor in the University of Chicago.

Discussion — *To What Extent Can an Effective Use of the Sources be made in Secondary Teaching?* — Guernsey Jones, Professor in the University of Nebraska; Edward C. Page, Professor in the Northern Illinois State Normal School; Jay T. Colegrove, Teacher of History in the Cedar Rapids High School.

Discussion — *To What Extent may the Teaching of History and Civics be Correlated and How Best Accomplished?* — Thomas F. Moran, Professor in Purdue University; O. M. Dickerson, Professor in the Western Illinois State Normal School; L. A. Fulwider, Principal of the Freeport High School; H. C. Wright, Teacher of Civics in the J. Sterling Morton High School.

May 26, 3:30 P. M.

A Conference of Mississippi Valley Historical Societies.

Edgar R. Harlan, Curator of the Historical Department of Iowa, Presiding.

Brief statements were presented at this time by representatives of the various societies.

May 26, 8:00 P. M.

Address — *The Significance of the Mississippi Valley in American History* — Frederick J. Turner, Professor in the State University of Wisconsin.

Address — *The Duty of the State in Relation to its History* — John Lee Webster, President of the Nebraska State Historical Society.

May 27, 10:00 A. M.

Paper — *The Significance of the Louisiana-Texas Frontier* — Isaac Joslin Cox, Professor in the University of Cincinnati.

Paper — *The Bid of the West for the National Capital* — Olynthus B. Clark, Professor in Drake University.

Paper — *Detroit and George Rogers Clark, 1780-1781* — James Alton James, Professor in Northwestern University.

Report — *The Marking of Historic Sites* — Committee of the Association.

May 27, 12:30 P. M.

Luncheon tendered to the members of The Mississippi Valley Historical Association and the members of The State Historical Society of Iowa by Mr. Euclid Sanders, President of The State Historical Society of Iowa, at the rooms of the Commercial Club.

May 27, 2:00 P. M.

Paper — *The Need of a Comprehensive Finding List of Western Manuscripts* — Clarence W. Alvord, Professor in the University of Illinois.

Paper — *Effigy Mounds and Mosaics in the Valley of the Mississippi* — Arlow B. Stout, Instructor in the State University of Wisconsin.

Paper — *Aboriginal Population of the Mississippi Valley* — James Mooney, American Bureau of Ethnology.

Paper — *Indian Names in Historical Documents* — John R. Swanton, American Bureau of Ethnology.

Business Session of The Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

May 27, 8:00 P. M.

Address — *Past and Present Sticking Points in Taxation* — Frank L. McVey, President of the State University of North Dakota.

Address — *Conservation of Natural Resources* — W. J. McGee, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The attendance was considerably larger than at any of the preceding meetings of the Association, thus indicating the growing strength of the organization. The papers were fully up to the standard hitherto maintained in the Association and all indications point to a very successful future.

At the business session a board of publication, of which Clarence W. Alvord is chairman, was appointed to arrange for the publication of a series of *Collections* under the auspices of the Association. It is hoped that a satisfactory arrangement will be made in the near future. The first two volumes of the *Proceedings* have now been issued, and the third volume, containing the transactions and papers at the recent meeting, will be put to press at an early date.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Benjamin F. Shambaugh; Vice President, Andrew C. McLaughlin; Secretary-Treasurer, Clarence S. Paine; two members of Executive Committee, James Alton James and Isaac Joslin Cox. Orin G. Libby, by virtue of being the retiring President, becomes a member of the Executive Committee ex-officio.

CONSTITUTION OF THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In the April number of THE IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS there appears a list of the officers of the Floyd County Historical Society. The following are the Constitution and By-Laws which were adopted on February 14, 1910:

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I—NAME

The name of this Society shall be the Floyd County Historical Society.

ARTICLE II—OBJECTS

The society is organized for the purpose of collecting and preserving books, papers and records, writings and relics, legal, military and other materials, relating to the history of Floyd County, Iowa, but may include such material as is illustrative of the State and Nation.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Any person may become a member of this Society by

signing the Constitution and By-Laws and by payment of the membership fee.

SEC. 2. Any person making an absolute gift to the Society of \$10.00 in money, or of historical matter of the value of \$10.00 in the judgment of the Board of Directors, shall become a life member of the Society.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of this Society shall a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Curator, Historian, and a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President and eight members of the Society.

SEC. 2. All elections shall be by ballot unless the rule be suspended by a majority vote.

SEC. 3. The officers of this Society shall be elected by a majority vote of persons present who have been members one year or more.

ARTICLE V—BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a Board of Directors, subject to the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws. And all appropriations of the funds of the Society shall be made by the Executive Committee, unless ordered by a majority vote of those present at any meeting of the Society.

SEC. 2. The Society may provide by its By-Laws for such standing committees and their duties as may be deemed necessary.

ARTICLE VI—MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of this Society shall be held on the second Monday in June of each year, at which time the officers shall be elected and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President.

SEC. 3. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VIII—MEMBERSHIP FEES AND ANNUAL DUES

The membership fee and annual dues shall be as provided by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX—AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended at any stated meeting of the

Society by a majority vote of persons who have been members for one year or more. Absent members may vote by letter.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The duties of the officers shall be such as are indicated by their titles, and as may be provided by the Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE II—ORDER OF BUSINESS

SECTION 1. At each stated meeting the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Reading of minutes of last meeting.
2. Presentation of petitions, letters, memorials, or other papers which require action, and may be referred to appropriate committees for report.
3. Nomination and election of officers.
4. Reports of committees and officers.
5. Unfinished business.
6. New business.
7. Delivery of addresses and reading papers.
8. Adjournment.

ARTICLE III—THE SECRETARY

SECTION 1. The Secretary shall keep a book to be called the record and minute book, in which he shall transcribe in order (a) the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society; (b) the record of his minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the Society, after approval, and all other matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Society.

SEC. 2. As soon as convenient after he shall have recorded the same he shall turn over to the Curator for listing, filing and preservation, the originals of all letters, papers, addresses and other materials proper to be preserved.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 1. The Curator shall appoint an assistant, and he and his assistant shall, under his direction and responsibility, have the care and charge of all books, papers and records, writings and rel-

ics of whatever kind or character, the property of the society, which shall be kept as a department of the Free Public Library of Charles City.

SEC. 2. The documents, papers and relics shall be catalogued and arranged after the system in use in said Library.

SEC. 3. The Curator shall be held responsible to the Society for the care and safe custody of all its said properties, and under no circumstances shall any person, whether officer or member, be suffered or permitted to take from its place in said Library any item or article of its property of whatever nature or kind.

SEC. 4. At each stated meeting of the Society the Curator shall report in writing the list of books, papers, relics, etc., that shall have been acquired by the Society since the last stated meeting, and a list of all such books, relics, etc., that have been lost since the last stated meeting, with such information as he may have concerning the same.

ARTICLE V—THE TREASURER

SECTION 1. The Treasurer shall collect and safely keep all the funds belonging to the Society, and disburse the same only on the order of the Executive Committee, and he shall make a full report of the financial condition of the Society at each annual meeting.

ARTICLE VI—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall constitute an Executive Committee, having general management of the Society, and shall meet promptly on the first Monday of each quarter. Four members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 2. They shall consider and determine what books, papers, records and relics and other historical materials shall be purchased for the Society, and individually interest themselves, with other members of the Society, in soliciting contributions in money and historical materials within the scope and purpose of the Society.

SEC. 3. No indebtedness of the Society shall be incurred by the Board of Directors in excess of the funds in the hands of the Treasurer not already appropriated unless by the direction of a majority vote of the Society, and before any bill for the purchase of books,

papers, relics, records and writings for the Society shall be paid by the Treasurer it shall be signed by the President or Vice-President of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII—MEMBERSHIP FEE AND ANNUAL DUES

The membership fee shall be 50 cents, and the annual dues 50 cents.

ARTICLE VIII—AMENDMENT

SECTION 1. The By-Laws of this Society may be amended by a majority vote of persons who have been members for one year or more.

THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

A volume on *The Territorial Governors of the Old Northwest* written by Dwight G. McCarty, was distributed in May.

Mr. E. H. Downey's *History of Labor Legislation in Iowa*, a volume of nearly three hundred pages, was distributed late in April.

The Society has recently installed a handsome flag-case of steel and plate-glass in which to preserve the battle-flags in its possession.

Mr. E. H. Downey, formerly Research Assistant in the Society, is the author of an excellent article on *The Futility of Marginal Utility*, which appeared in the April number of *The Journal of Political Economy*.

The following persons have recently been elected to membership in the Society: Mr. W. E. Bickel, Vinton, Iowa; Mr. Carle D. Brown, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. Charles Carter, Fairfield, Iowa; Mr. Fred Courts, Morning Sun, Iowa; Mr. H. P. Dillon, Topeka, Kansas; Mr. E. G. Dunn, Mason City, Iowa; Mr. A. J. Edwards, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. G. D. Ellyson, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Nathaniel T. Guernsey, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. P. E. Hall, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. L. V. Harpel, Boone, Iowa; Mr. J. A. Henderson, Jefferson, Iowa; Mr. J. H. Henderson, Indianola, Iowa; Mr. F. M. Hubbel, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Burr C. Keeler, Mason City, Iowa; Mrs. F. W. Knight, Milford, Iowa; Rev. Chas. S. Medbury, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Edward F. Misak, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. L. F. Parker, Grinnell, Iowa; Mr. Frank R. Parsons, Tipton, Iowa;

Mr. George B. Stewart, Fort Madison, Iowa; Mr. D. W. Turner, Corning, Iowa; Dr. Fred W. Bailey, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Miss Ruby Baughman, Jefferson, Iowa; Mr. W. H. Berry, Indianola, Iowa; Mr. H. M. Binder, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Mr. Nathan E. Brown, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. Walter S. Cardell, Winterset, Iowa; Mr. C. W. Cruikshank, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; Mr. George D. Darnall, West Union, Iowa; Mr. F. F. Daugherty, Keokuk, Iowa; Mrs. Anna A. Fisher, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. A. N. Hobson, West Union, Iowa; Miss Anna M. Klingenhagen, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. R. H. Lambert, Marion, Iowa; Mr. C. R. Marks, Sioux City, Iowa; Mr. Earl E. Mason, Webster City, Iowa; Mr. B. F. Reed, Algona, Iowa; Mr. E. C. Robbins, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mr. John Sandham, Harlan, Iowa; Mr. E. F. Schall, Fort Madison, Iowa; Mr. John M. Thompson, Marion, Iowa; Mr. B. B. Van Steenburg, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Miss Anna O. Temple, Atlantic, Iowa; Mrs. Max Mayer, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Marvin Dey, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. William A. Hunt, Wapello, Iowa; Mr. James Blaine Mason, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Charles F. Peterson, Clarion, Iowa; and Mr. Walter I. Wolfe, Lost Nation, Iowa.

PROGRAM ON MAY 25, 1910

A program was presented under the auspices of The State Historical Society of Iowa on Wednesday, May 25, in connection with the third annual meeting of The Mississippi Valley Historical Association. At ten o'clock, in the University Auditorium in the Hall of Natural Science, President Euclid Sanders introduced Professor Laenas G. Weld, who delivered a splendid address on the subject: *On the Way to Iowa*. Professor Weld sketched in an entertaining manner the early French voyages up the St. Lawrence River and the explorations leading out toward the Iowa country, especially those of Nicolet, Radisson and Groseilliers, and Joliet and Marquette.

At two o'clock in the afternoon, in the library rooms of the Society there was held a conference of local historical societies in Iowa. Brief but interesting reports were presented by representatives from sixteen local societies. These reports reveal a growing

interest in local history throughout the State, and it is hoped that this conference gave an added impetus to the work.

At six o'clock at the Burkley Imperial Hotel the members of The State Historical Society of Iowa tendered a dinner in honor of Mr. Joseph Newton and the conference representatives of the local historical societies in Iowa. One hundred and twenty-one persons were present, including about twenty-five members from Cedar Rapids who chartered a special car on the interurban for the occasion. At the close of the dinner Mr. Newton was called upon, and made some very pleasing remarks.

At eight o'clock the day's program was closed by Mr. Joseph Newton's address on *Abraham Lincoln*. Mr. Newton has made an extended study of the life of Lincoln and has gained access to materials hitherto denied the investigator. Hence he was able to bring something new and unique on a subject which would seem to have been largely exhausted in recent years.

The Society expects to publish these two addresses, as well as the reports of the conference, at an early date, thus preserving the record of a program which was a success in every respect.

NOTES AND COMMENT

Nearly twenty Kansas cities and towns have recently adopted the commission plan of government.

The American Library Association held its annual meeting at Mackinac Island, June 30 to July 6, 1910.

Judge James Aldrich, a Curator of the South Carolina Historical Society, died on January 23, 1910.

The sixth State Assembly of the Wisconsin Archeological Society will be held at Madison on Friday and Saturday, July 29 and 30.

Professor Allen Johnson of Bowdoin College, formerly of Iowa College at Grinnell, has accepted a professorship of American history in Yale University.

Governor Charles S. Deneen of Illinois has appointed members to serve on the Tax Commission which was authorized by the State Legislature at its last session.

The records of the old court which was held at Detroit prior to 1796 have been discovered at Toronto by Clarence M. Burton and Alexander H. Fraser.

Professor Evarts B. Greene has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Historical Library caused by the resignation of President Edmund J. James.

Burlington and Sioux City, Iowa, elected their first officers under the commission plan of government at the spring elections. Much interest was also taken in the municipal elections in Des Moines and Cedar Rapids, the two other Iowa cities which have adopted the commission plan.

In a number of the States of the Middle West, especially in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Illinois, the prohibition question played an important part in the local spring elections. In Michigan there

were distinct gains for prohibition, while in Illinois and Wisconsin little change in sentiment was indicated.

A unique and practical public service is being performed at the University of Illinois where a municipal reference bureau has recently been established in connection with the department of political science.

Mr. William H. Holmes has severed his official connection with the Bureau of American Ethnology, and has resumed his place as head Curator of Anthropology in the United States National Museum. Mr. F. W. Hodge has taken charge of the Bureau of American Ethnology.

The Congress of Archivists and Librarians which will be held in Brussels, Belgium, on August 28-31, was arranged by the Association des Archivistes et des Bibliothécaires belges, with the coöperation of committees appointed from the various countries and learned societies. The Congress will be divided into four sections devoted respectively to archives, libraries, special collections (seals, medals, prints, etc.), and public libraries. The sections will hold separate meetings where papers will be read and discussions carried on bearing upon the various theoretical, technical, and practical problems connected with the administration of archives and libraries.

LEONARD WOODS PARISH

Professor Leonard Woods Parish of the Iowa State Teachers College, and a Curator of the State Historical Society of Iowa, met his death in the terrible railroad wreck near Gladbrook, Iowa, on Monday, March 21, 1910.

Mr. Parish was born at Springfield, Massachusetts, on July 4, 1850, and his early life was spent there and in New Haven, Connecticut. After receiving his preparatory education in the high schools of Springfield and New Haven, and at the Hopkins' Latin Grammar School, he entered Yale University and graduated in 1872.

For several years Professor Parish taught in various Connecticut schools, and in 1876 he came to Iowa, where in the following year

he was united in marriage with Miss Emma Stuart. In Iowa Professor Parish continued to devote himself to the work of the public schools, especially as Superintendent of the West Des Moines schools and of the Independence schools. In 1890 his ability received recognition in a call to the professorship of Psychology and Didactics at the Iowa State Normal School. Five years later he accepted the chair of Political Science in the same institution, since it would give him an opportunity to follow out the line of work in which he was chiefly interested, namely, Economics. In this capacity he continued until the date of his death, although his official title was changed in 1909, when he became Head of the Department of History and Political Science.

Professor Parish's interests and activities, however, extended beyond college walls. In 1900 he was appointed by the Governor as a Curator of The State Historical Society of Iowa, and during the ten years in which he retained this position his counsel and encouragement were highly prized. He was also a member of the Board of Curators of the Association of Contributors to Iowa Education and History, an organization which was formed at Cedar Falls in January, 1909. And thus he was closely identified with the historical interests of the State. A number of contributions along the special line of his work were also written by him, among them being an *Outline Analysis of Compayre's Pedagogy*, published in 1892; *Institute Economics*, published in 1895; and *Elementary Economics*, published in 1906. Furthermore, he was joint author of Seerley and Parish's *History and Civil Government of Iowa*, published in 1897.

Leonard Woods Parish devoted the best years of his life to the work of education in the Commonwealth of his adoption. He was eminently successful as a teacher, and was a man beloved and respected by all who knew him.

HARVEY REID

On Monday, April 25, 1910, occurred the death of Harvey Reid of Maquoketa, Iowa. Mr. Reid was born in Argyle, Washington County, New York, on March 30, 1842. When he was two years

of age he removed with his parents to Wisconsin where he lived until 1861. During this time he attended the common schools and pursued studies for a brief time in the University of Wisconsin. In 1861 he moved southward into Carroll County, Illinois.

In August, 1862, Mr. Reid responded to his country's need and enlisted in the Twenty-Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, and served throughout the remainder of the war. He participated in the memorable Atlanta campaign and marched with Sherman to the sea. He spent one month of confinement in Libby Prison.

At the close of the war he came to Sabula, Iowa, and became a bookkeeper for the Iowa Packing Company, a position which he held until 1886, when he became County Treasurer of Jackson County. After two terms of faithful and efficient service in this office Mr. Reid turned his attention to business in Maquoketa, where he lived until the date of his death, being prominently identified with everything that was for the highest interest of the town.

Mr. Reid was especially well known for his historical writings. Among the books and pamphlets which have come from his pen are the following: *Biographical Sketch of Enoch Long, an Illinois Pioneer*, published in 1884 by the Chicago Historical Society; *In the Shadow of the Gallows: A True Story of an Iowa Pioneer*, published at Maquoketa in 1902; a biography of *Thomas Cox*, published in 1909 by The State Historical Society of Iowa; and an *Early Military History of Iowa*, which has recently been issued. He was also the writer of numerous brief sketches. Mr. Reid's interest in State and local history is further evinced by the fact that he was a member of The State Historical Society of Iowa and of the Jackson County Historical Society. In the latter organization especially he was an active and enthusiastic worker.

In the death of Harvey Reid the State of Iowa has lost one of its most patriotic and useful citizens. He was keenly interested in the present and future welfare of the community in which he lived, but he found his greatest enjoyment in recording for future generations the annals of the past.

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