

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

PUBLICATIONS

In the *Proceedings of the Bunker Hill Monument Association* for 1912 may be found an address on *The Struggle of Thirteen States for Thirteen Years to Create a Government*, by Winslow Warren.

Continuations of *The German Drama in English on the Philadelphia Stage*, by Charles F. Brede; and *Die Literarische Geschichte des Milwaukeeer Deutschen Bühnenwesens, 1850-1911*, by John C. Andressohn, make up the contents of the May-August number of the *German American Annals*.

Among the contents of the *Historical Collections of the Essex Institute* for June are: a continuation of *Salem Town Records*; a second installment of Sidney Perley's discussion of *Northfields, Salem, in 1700*; and an article on *A Genealogical-Historical Visitation of Andover, Mass., in the Year 1863*, by Alfred Poore.

Among the articles in the September number of the *Journal of the Presbyterian Historical Society* are the following: *Princeton Hymns*, by Benjamin B. Warfield; *A Revolutionary Hero: James Caldwell*, by Harry Pringle Ford; and *Early History of Events Leading to the Organization of the First Presbyterian Church of Mauch Chunk, Penna.*, by Kate McVicker Smith.

The European Reconquest of North Africa is the subject of an article by Archibald Cary Coolidge, which opens *The American Historical Review* for July. Other contributions are: *Canada Versus Guadeloupe, an Episode of the Seven Years' War*, by William L. Grant; *The First National Nominating Convention, 1808*, by Samuel E. Morison; and *Lord Ashburton and the Treaty of Washington*, by Ephraim Douglass Adams. Under the heading of *Documents* is printed the *Journal of William K. Beall, July-August, 1812*, contributed by Miles W. Smith.

Current Anthropological Literature is the name of a new periodical which made its initial appearance with the January-March number. The magazine, as its name implies, is devoted to book reviews and notes on periodical literature along the line of anthropology. It is published quarterly by the American Anthropological Association and the American Folk-lore Society.

Among the articles in *The Register of the Kentucky State Historical Society* for September are the following: *Historic Homes of Harrodsburg*, by W. W. Stephenson; *The Duel Between John Rowan and Dr. James Chambers*, by J. Stoddard Johnston; *The Story of Three Governors*, by Laurie J. Blakely; *Kentucky Troops in the War of 1812*, by A. C. Quisenberry; and *Wapping Street, Frankfort, Ky.*, by Miss Sally Jackson.

The July number of the *Missouri Historical Review* opens with an article on *The Price Campaign of 1864*, by George S. Grover. *Gov. Joseph W. McClurg and his Administration* is the subject of a paper by James S. Botsford. Other contributions are: *Livingston County Pioneer Settlers and Subsequent Events*, by L. T. Collier; and a continuation of the list of *Monumental Inscriptions in Missouri Cemeteries*.

Some interesting *Recollections of Baltimore*, by Robert Gilmore, occupy the opening pages of the *Maryland Historical Magazine* for September. Among the continuations are: *Maryland's Share in the Last Intercolonial War*, by Arthur Meier Schlesinger; *Letters of Rev. Jonathan Boucher*; and *Land Notes, 1634-1655*. Bernard C. Steiner is the compiler of a list of *The Chief Executive Officers of Maryland During the Provincial Period*.

James C. Strong is the contributor of some *Reminiscences of a Pioneer of the Territory of Washington* which appear in the July number of *The Washington Historical Quarterly*. Sol. H. Lewis presents in brief outline *A History of the Railroads of Washington*. T. C. Elliott furnishes an introduction and editorial notes for the *Journal of John Work, November and December, 1884*. Under the heading of *Documents* may be found the *Journal of William Fraser Tolmie — 1833*.

The Oketee or Devil's Elbow Barony is described by Henry A. M. Smith in the July number of *The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine* in his series of articles on *The Baronies of South Carolina*. A list of *Stock Marks Recorded in South Carolina, 1695-1721*, is a rather interesting contribution by A. S. Salley, Jr. Joseph W. Barnwell furnishes notes for the *Diary of Timothy Ford*, which will be continued. There is also a continuation of the *Order Book of John Faucheraud Grimké*.

The extracts from *The Randolph Manuscript* which are published in the July number of *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* consist of the commission issued to Governor Francis Nicholson in 1702 and the letter notifying him of his removal in 1705. Mrs. N. E. Clement contributes some *Revolutionary Pension Declarations*. Another interesting collection of documents consists of *Letters from G. W. P. Custis to George Washington, 1797-1798*, which are copied from the originals in the library of the Virginia Historical Society.

The June number of the *Records of the American Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia* opens with a biographical sketch of *The Very Rev. T. J. Donaghoe*. Three pages are devoted to a sketch of *The Catholic Press in the United States of America*. The late Martin I. J. Griffin is the writer of an article on *The Reverend John Nepomucene Goetz, Third Pastor, and the Reverend William Elling, of Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia*. Another contribution is a list of *Burials of Catholics who Died of Yellow Fever in Philadelphia in 1798*.

The West and the War with Mexico is the subject of a scholarly address by William E. Dodd, which appears in the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* for July. E. F. Wells relates some entertaining reminiscences under the heading of *Old Times in Illinois*. The story of *How a Northern Illinois Town Suddenly Became Dry* is told by A. N. Beebe. *Abraham Lincoln and Rock Island County* is the title of an article by J. B. Oakleaf. *Some Evidences of the Route from the Lakes to the Gulf* are presented by J. H. Goodell, who reviews the principal French explorations of

the upper Mississippi Valley. In an article on *The Kaskaskia Indians* J. F. Snyder holds to the old idea that the Illinois Indians visited by Marquette and Joliet were located on the Des Moines River, instead of on the Iowa River as has been so conclusively shown by Professor Weld. Another article is one by N. W. Thornton on *Shabbona, The White Man's Friend*.

The first half of the June-September number of the *Quarterly Publication of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio* is taken up with an interesting account of *The Movement in Ohio to Deport the Negro*, by Henry Noble Sherwood. The remaining pages are occupied with two reprints. The first is a reprint of a pamphlet entitled *A Brief Exposition of the Views of the Society for the Colonization of Free Persons of Colour, in Africa*, published in 1827 by the Ohio State Colonization Society. The other reprint is a memorial entitled *Ohio in Africa*, submitted to the legislature of Ohio in 1851 by the Ohio Committee of Correspondence of the American Colonization Society.

In the March number of *The Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society* there appears a brief article by Ellen Condon McCornack, entitled *A Glimpse into Prehistoric Oregon*, which, as the editor states, is "the initial paper of a series designed to give a synthetic view of Oregon's past" that will appeal especially to the boys and girls of the State. Walter Carleton Woodward concludes his study of the *Rise and Early History of Political Parties in Oregon*, the two concluding chapters dealing with *The Issues of War and Political Realignment*. T. C. Elliott discusses *The Earliest Travelers on the Oregon Trail*; and there is a brief sketch of the *Centennial of the Arrival of the First White Men in Baker County*, by George H. Himes.

Henry E. Knapp is the writer of a sketch of *General John H. Knapp, the First Permanent Settler of Fort Madison, Iowa*, which occupies the opening pages of the belated October, 1911, number of the *Annals of Iowa*. An excellent analytical description of the *Public Archives of Iowa* is presented by C. C. Stiles, the article being illustrated by a number of cuts. Edward H. Stiles is the writer of a sketch of some *Prominent Men of Early Iowa*; and the

concluding article is a good discussion of *Formative Influences in Early Iowa*, by James L. Hill. An index to the first eight volumes of the *Annals of Iowa* (Third Series) has just been distributed. The preparation of this index has extended over many years and has been participated in by several people, including Miss Mary R. Whitcomb, Miss Alice M. Steele, and Miss Alice Marple.

Except for a brief statement concerning the *Egyptian Research Account, 1912*, the May-June number of the *Records of the Past* is taken up with the following two contributions: *Some Roman Ruins in Tunisia*, by J. G. Winter; and *The Physical Environment of the Southwest in Pre-Columbian Days*, by Ellsworth Huntington. The latter article furnishes an excellent example of one of the uses to which the study of archaeology may be put, namely, an aid in the determination of the character of climatic and physical conditions in prehistoric times. In the July-August number may be found the following articles: *A World-Quarter Shrine to the Tewa Indians*, by W. B. Douglass; and *Palaeolithic Artifacts from Kansas*, by Newton Horace Winchell.

The April and July numbers of the *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly* are combined in a single issue. The opening pages are devoted to an illustrated sketch of the life of *Major David Ziegler*, written by George A. Katzenberger. Then follows a discussion of the *Archaeological Remains of Jackson County*, by William C. Mills, also illustrated. Other articles are: *Sketch of Cornstalk, 1759-1777*, taken from the Draper manuscripts; *Indians in Union County*, by W. L. Curry; *Some History from an Un-historical Region*, by A. B. Gilliland; *Ohio in the Mexican War*, by Daniel J. Ryan; *Ohio Banking Institutions, 1803 to 1866*, by A. B. Coever; and *Fort McArthur*, which consists of an address delivered in 1895 by A. W. Munson.

ACTIVITIES

The new building which will house the Kansas Historical Society is nearing completion, after many exasperating delays.

Mr. J. A. Doelle is the secretary of the Keweenaw Historical Society which was organized at Houghton, Michigan, early in June.

Boone Day, June 7th, was celebrated by the State Historical Society of Kentucky by appropriate ceremonies in the rooms of the Society at Frankfort.

A large pair of elk horns, which were found in the bed of the Des Moines River, has been added to the collections of the Madrid Historical Society.

Bronze tablets to Millard Fillmore and Grover Cleveland were unveiled by the Buffalo Historical Society on May 20th, at the time of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Society.

Among the recent acquisitions of the State Historical Society of Missouri are several volumes of early records from such towns as Potosi, Farmington, Ste. Genevieve, and Cape Girardeau, dating back to about 1820.

After a period of eight months during which no meetings were held the Jefferson County Historical Society met at Fairfield on September 4th. A report on the work of the Society and of donations to the collections of the Society was made by the Secretary, Mr. Hiram Heaton.

The annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical Society was held at Springfield on May 23 and 24, 1912, the principal address being given by Professor William E. Dodd of the University of Chicago. The report of the Secretary reveals the fact that the Society now has nearly fourteen hundred members. The chief interest and activity of the Society during the coming year will be the movement to secure an appropriation for the erection of a building. A commission appointed for the purpose of drawing up plans for the proposed building will report at the next session of the General Assembly.

THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

A volume on the *History of Road Legislation in Iowa*, written by Dr. John E. Brindley is now in press. The volume will appear in the *Iowa Economic History Series*.

Mr. Jacob Van der Zee's volume on *The Hollanders of Iowa* has been distributed.

Another volume in the *Iowa Economic History Series*, namely, Professor E. H. Downey's *History of Indemnity for Work Accidents in Iowa* will go to press in the near future.

At the meeting of the Board of Curators on August 7th the officers who have served during the past year were reelected, namely: Euclid Sanders, President; F. E. Horack, Secretary; and Paul A. Korab, Treasurer. At the same meeting Mr. Charles M. Dutcher of Iowa City was unanimously elected a member of the Board of Curators to fill the place left vacant by the resignation of Professor L. G. Weld.

The following persons have recently been elected to membership: Mr. S. M. Corrie, Ida Grove, Iowa; Mr. F. A. Ferguson, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. L. T. Jones, Iowa City, Iowa; Miss Harriett Kellogg, Ames, Iowa; Mr. D. C. Mott, Marengo, Iowa; Mr. C. W. Ramseyer, Bloomfield, Iowa; Mr. Elmer W. Reading, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Mr. E. E. Squire, Storm Lake, Iowa; Mr. W. W. White, South English, Iowa; Rev. A. W. Armstrong, Norwalk, Iowa; Hon. Nicholas Balkema, Sioux Center, Iowa; Mrs. W. P. Coast, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Frank W. Hanton, Griswold, Iowa; Mr. F. E. Haynes, Sioux City, Iowa; Mr. C. H. Kelley, Charles City, Iowa; Mr. W. C. Muilenburg, Grant, Iowa; Mr. Newell W. Pike, Mapleton, Iowa; Mrs. J. B. Allen, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. R. H. Durboraw, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Charles L. Goodwin, Vinton, Iowa; Mr. Harvey Ingham, Des Moines, Iowa; and Mr. Tunis H. Klein, Pella, Iowa.

THE RESIGNATION OF PROFESSOR WELD

In accepting the resignation of Professor L. G. Weld as a member of the Board of Curators the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board at the August meeting and ordered spread on the records of the Society:

"Dr. Laenas G. Weld has been a member of the Board of Curators of the State Historical Society of Iowa six years, having been first elected on July 5, 1906. During the period of his curatorship he has taken a deep interest in the work of this Society and has

faithfully participated in its administration. To his interest in the history of western exploration is chiefly due the valuable collection of books on western travel and exploration which now forms a part of the Society's library. Dr. Weld also made some valuable contributions to the publications of the Society. It is noteworthy that in 1902, when the Society resolved to issue a critical quarterly under the title of *The Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, Dr. Weld made the first contribution to its pages in a paper entitled *Joliet and Marquette in Iowa*. Moreover, while Dean of the Graduate College and later while Dean of the College of Liberal Arts of the State University of Iowa, Dr. Weld not only expressed genuine sympathy with the work of The State Historical Society of Iowa, but was always ready to cooperate with the Society and to coordinate its research activities with the University. It is with profound regret and a deep sense of loss that his resignation is accepted by the Board."