

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

PUBLICATIONS

Old Salem Street, by Helen Tilden Wild, is the principal article in the July number of *The Medford Historical Register*.

Who Wrote the Declaration of Independence?, by William M. Van der Weyde, is a pamphlet published by the Thomas Paine National Historical Association.

Cherokee Marital Laws is the subject of a brief article by John Springston which appears in the July number of *Historia*, published by the Oklahoma Historical Society.

The *Annual Report of the Connecticut Historical Society* contains the reports presented at the annual meeting in May, 1913, together with lists of officers and members.

Original Papers, No. 7, published by the Wisconsin History Commission consists of a volume entitled *A Narrative of Service with the Third Wisconsin Infantry* written by Julian Wisner Hinkley.

Volume one, number two of the *Publications of the Onondaga Historical Association* is entirely devoted to a biographical list of the *Revolutionary Soldiers of Onandaga County, N. Y.*, compiled by W. M. Beauchamp.

The July number of the *Historical Collections of the Essex Institute* opens with some *Youthful Recollections of Salem*, by Benjamin F. Browne. Genealogical material and continuations occupy the remaining pages.

A pamphlet issued by the Paine Memorial Association contains a record of the exercises at the *Rededication of the Paine Monument and Assignment of its Custody to the City of New Rochelle*, compiled by James B. Elliott.

The second volume of reprints published by the Wisconsin History Commission contains the *Civil War Messages and Proclamations of Wisconsin War Governors*, edited by Reuben Gold Thwaites in collaboration with Asa Currier Tilton and Frederick Merk.

The *Year Book of the Holland Society of New York* for 1913 contains the usual list of officers and members, reports on the condition and activities of the Society, and banquet proceedings; and, in addition, the records of *The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen in New Jersey*.

The New England Historical and Genealogical Register for July opens with a memoir of the late *David Floyd*, by Channing Howard. Besides the purely genealogical material which occupies the greater part of the number there is a brief article on *Eminent Nova Scotians of New England Birth*, by Arthur Wentworth Hamilton Eaton.

Chapter three of the biographical sketch of *Friedrich Armand Strubberg*, by Preston A. Barba; *The American Indian in German Fiction*, by the same author; and a continuation of *The German Drama in English on the Philadelphia Stage*, by Charles F. Brede, make up the contents of the May-August number of the *German American Annals*.

A Prehistoric "Cannibal" House in Nebraska, by Robert F. Gilder; *American Prehistory — The Hut Foundations of Colcha in Bolivia*, by G. Courty; *The Philistines and Ancient Crete*, by Robert C. Horn; and *Cayuga and Seneca as Proprietaries in the Annals of New York*, by Grace Ellis Taft, are articles in the May-June number of the *Records of the Past*.

In an article on the *Organization and Service of the Frontier Guards*, which appears in the April number of the *Annals of Iowa*, Charles B. Richards describes the means adopted to protect the northern frontier of Iowa against Indian depredations after the Spirit Lake Massacre. *A Biography of Hon. Charles John Alfred Ericson* is written by Charles L. Dahlberg. The remaining contribution is the *Journal of A. W. Harlan While Crossing the Plains in 1850*.

The New Madrid and Other Earthquakes in Missouri, by Francis A. Sampson; *Life and Influence of Danville and Danville Township*, by Olive Baker; *Missouri's Eleven State Capitols*, by Cornelius Roach; *The Columbia Library, 1866-1892*, by Henry O. Severance; and *Hon. John Brooks Henderson*, by Francis A. Sampson, are articles in the July number of the *Missouri Historical Review*.

Bohemia: Mission of St. Francis Xavier, Cecil County, Maryland, by E. J. Devitt; *Marriage Registers of Holy Trinity Church of Philadelphia, Pa., A. D. 1791-1799*, edited by Thomas Cooke Middleton; and a continuation of the *Life of Bishop Comwell of Philadelphia*, by the late Martin I. J. Griffin, are contributions in the June number of the *Records of the American Catholic Historical Society*.

A *Biographical Sketch of Judge Wilson Primm*, by William Clark Breckenridge; an article on the *History of St. Louis*, written many years ago by Wilson Primm; some documentary material relative to *Ezekiel Williams' Adventures in Colorado*; and a continuation of the *Recollections of an Old Actor*, by Charles A. Krone, are contributions in volume four, number two of the *Missouri Historical Society Collections*.

A third installment of the *Letters and Reports of the Rev. John Philip Boehm*, translated and edited by William J. Hinke, occupy the opening pages of the *Journal of the Presbyterian Historical Society* for September. George H. Ingram presents part three of the *History of the Presbytery of New Brunswick*. The concluding article is a brief sketch of *The Religious Revival at Bridgeton, N. J., in 1817*, by Jonathan Freeman.

The April-June and July-September numbers of the *Quarterly Publication of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio* are combined and contain a number of *Documents Relating to Zachariah Cox*, edited by Isaac Joslin Cox, assisted by Reginald C. McGrane. The chief of these documents is a pamphlet relating to commerce in the West in the early days. There are also a number of letters written by or to John Sevier.

The July number of the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* opens with an address on *Benjamin Lundy, Pioneer of Freedom*, by George A. Lawrence. *The Plans of the Illinois State Historical Library with Special Reference to the Care of Public Archives* are outlined by Evarts Boutell Greene. *An Old Time Tragedy in the State Penitentiary at Alton* is described by W. T. Norton, who also writes on *Early Libraries in Illinois*.

Volume thirteen of the *Publications of the Mississippi Historical Society*, edited by Franklin L. Riley, is devoted to monographs on the subject of reconstruction in various counties in Mississippi. The four monographs in the volume are: *Reconstruction in Panola County*, by John W. Kyle; *Reconstruction in Scott County*, by Forrest Cooper; *Reconstruction in Lafayette County*, by Miss Julia Kendel; and *Reconstruction in Oktibbeha County*, by F. Z. Browne.

Articles which appear in *The Washington Historical Quarterly* for July are: *Independence Day in the Far Northwest*, by George W. Soliday; *The Story of Three Olympic Peaks*, by Edmond S. Meany; *Stories and Sketches from Pacific County*, by Isaac H. Whealdon; and *Did Daniel Webster Ever Say This?*, by C. T. Johnson. Under the heading of *Documents* there is printed a letter written by John Tyler to his son on December 23, 1845, in which mention is made of the Oregon question.

The July number of *The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine* opens with a genealogical article on *The Brisbanes*, compiled by E. Haviland Hillman. The history of *Some Forgotten Towns in Lower South Carolina* is briefly sketched by Henry A. M. Smith. The remainder of the *Magazine* is taken up with continuations of the *Register of St. Andrew's Parish, Berkeley County, South Carolina*, copied and edited by Mabel L. Webber; and the *Order Book of John Faucheraud Grimké*.

The only article in the December, 1912, number of *The Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society* is one by Clarence B. Bagley on the *Transmission of Intelligence in Early Days in Oregon*. The remaining pages are taken up with documents, among which are

the *Journal of John Work, Covering Snake Country Expedition of 1830-31*, edited by T. C. Elliott; and some letters written by Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Spalding shortly after completing their journey across the continent to Fort Walla Walla in 1836.

Floyd B. Streeter is the writer of a sketch of *The Diplomatic Career of William Carmichael* which opens the *Maryland Historical Magazine* for June. In this same number Bernard C. Steiner contributes the first of a series of articles on *Van Buren's Maryland Correspondents*. The leading article in the September number is a biographical sketch of *Jacob Hall, Surgeon and Educator, 1747-1812*, by J. Hall Pleasants. In both numbers there are continuations of the *Letters of Rev. Jonathan Boucher*.

Continuations of *New Mexican Spanish Folk-Lore*, by Aurelio M. Espinosa; and *Songs and Rhymes from the South*, by E. C. Perrow, are the principal contributions in the April-June number of *The Journal of American Folk-Lore*. In the July-September number John R. Swanton presents some *Animal Stories from the Indians of the Muskogean Stock*. W. H. Mechling relates some *Maliseet Tales*; and there is an article on *The Principle of Limited Possibilities in the Development of Culture*, by A. A. Goldenweiser.

The second installment of the monograph on *The Louisiana-Texas Frontier*, by Isaac Joslin Cox, appears in *The Southwestern Historical Quarterly* for July. *Some Extracts from the Diary of W. Y. Allen, 1838-1839*, are edited by William S. Red. Peculiar interest attaches to a letter written by Manuel Lisa on September 8, 1812, to the Spaniards of New Mexico, which, together with an introduction by Herbert E. Bolton, is printed under the heading, *New Light on Manuel Lisa and the Spanish Fur Trade*. Finally, there is another installment of the *Correspondence from the British Archives Concerning Texas, 1837-1846*, edited by Ephraim Douglass Adams.

The Minnesota Historical Society has issued the first number in a series of monographs on *The Weathering of Aboriginal Stone Artifacts*. The present volume is devoted to *A Consideration of the*

Paleoliths of Kansas, by N. H. Winchell. The first chapter contains a general discussion of the subject; while the succeeding seven chapters deal with the cultural stages of stone chipping correlated with glacial stages, the tribes met in the Kansas valley by Coronado in 1541, early man and his contemporary fauna in Kansas, critical working observations on some Kansas specimens, the work of Dr. W. Allen Sturge in England, a classification of Kansas artifacts by culture stages, and an archaeological reconnoissance. There are numerous plates and figures.

The *Orderly Book of Harrisburg Volunteer Company of Artillery, Capt. Richard M. Crain, 1814*, occupies the opening pages in *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* for April. Then follows a continuation of the interesting *Journal of James Kenny, 1761-1763*, edited by John W. Jordan. In the July number the first contribution is an address on *The Building of the Fleet*, delivered by Francis Newton Thorpe at Erie, Pennsylvania, on the occasion of the Perry Victory Centennial Commemoration. *The Crisis in the Early Life of General Peter Muhlenberg* is described by William Germann. There are some *Early Letters from Pennsylvania*, written by George Haworth to members of his family in England; and some *Selections from the Correspondence of Col. Stephen Maylan, of the Continental Cavalry*.

With the June number *The Indiana Magazine of History* passed from under the management of Mr. George S. Cottman, its founder, who has carried on the enterprise for more than eight years. Hereafter the magazine will be published under the direction of the History Department of Indiana University, in coöperation with the Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana State Library. Dr. Logan Esarey will be the managing editor. The contributions in this number of the *Magazine* are: *The Achievements and Possibilities of History*, by James T. Shotwell; *The Moravian Mission Near Anderson*, by Jacob P. Dunn; *Life in Indiana, 1800-1820*, by Rolla M. Hogue; *Sketches of Early Indiana Senators — Waller Taylor, 1816-1825*, by Nina Kathleen Reid; and *Indian Captives in Early Indiana*, by Logan Esarey.

Life in *The Early French Settlements on the Great Lakes* is described by John M. Bulkley in the opening pages of the *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly* for July. Samuel W. Williams presents an interesting account of *The Tammany Society in Ohio*. In a brief statement relative to *Old Fort Sandoski of 1745*, G. Frederick Wright replies to the criticisms of Charles A. Hanna in respect to the inscriptions on the tablets erected on the site of the old fort. Then follows the *Speech of Richard Douglas, Esq., of Chillicothe*, delivered before the Whig convention in Columbus, Ohio, in February, 1836. Two other contributions contain the proceedings at the unveiling of the *Fort McArthur Memorial Tablet* on July 4, 1913; and an account of the *Unveiling of Fort Recovery Monument* on July 1, 1913, together with the addresses delivered on that occasion.

The German-American Historical Society of Illinois has abandoned the publication of the quarterly which was known as the *Deutsch-Amerikanische Geschichtsblätter*. The first number of the *Jahrbuch der Deutsch-Amerikanischen Historischen Gesellschaft von Illinois*, which will be published hereafter instead of the quarterly, has appeared, the editor being Julius Goebel. Among the papers in this volume, some of which are in German and others in English, are the following: *Christoph von Graffenried and the Founding of New Bern, N. C.*, by Vincent H. Todd; *Briefe Deutscher Auswanderer aus dem Jahre 1709*, by Julius Goebel; *Die Erste Deutsche Einwanderung in das Mississippital: Eine kritische Würdigung*, by Alexander Franz; *The Germans of Chicago and Stephen A. Douglas in 1854*, by F. I. Herriott; *A Political Prophecy of the Forty-Eighters in America*, by Julius Goebel, Jr.; *Die Anfänge Deutscher Einwanderung in Nordamerika*, by Otto Lohr; *Lincoln and German Patriotism*, by Paul Selby; and *Quincys Gründung und das Deutsche Element in der Entwicklung der Stadt*, by Heinrich Bornmann.

ACTIVITIES

The International Society of Archaeologists held its annual convention in St. Louis during the last week in September.

The Historical Society of Marshall County has made plans for a series of meetings to be held during the coming winter. The first meeting was held on October 24th, at which time Dr. Benj. F. Shambaugh, Superintendent of The State Historical Society of Iowa, gave the address.

At the annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical Society held on May 15 and 16, 1913, the following officers were elected: Honorary President, Clark E. Carr; President, Otto L. Schmidt; Secretary and Treasurer, Jessie Palmer Weber. The membership in the society now numbers over thirteen hundred.

The Missouri Historical Society now occupies its magnificent new home — the Jefferson Memorial Building, erected by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company on land donated by the city of St. Louis. The Society is making a special effort to collect a library of books, pamphlets, and documents relating to Thomas Jefferson.

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Ohio Archaeological and Historical Society was held at Columbus on May 23, 1913. It is expected that the new building which is to be the home of the Society will be ready for occupancy this fall. The building committee of the Society also has charge of the erection of the Hayes Memorial Museum and Library Building at Fremont. The election of officers resulted as follows: G. F. Wright, President; G. F. Bareis, First Vice President; D. J. Ryan, Second Vice President; E. O. Randall, Secretary and Editor; E. F. Wood, Treasurer; and W. C. Mills, Curator and Librarian. On June 24, 1913, Governor Cox appointed ex-Governor Myron T. Herrick and ex-Governor James E. Campbell members of the Board of Trustees of the Society for the term of three years.

THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

Mr. Henry J. Peterson, a member of the Society, who for the past few years has been an instructor in the Department of Government in the Iowa State Teachers' College at Cedar Falls, is spending the present academic year in graduate study at the State University of Iowa.

Death came to three members of the Society during the past summer, namely: Mr. C. R. Benedict of Shelby, Iowa; former State Senator C. A. Carpenter of Columbus Junction, Iowa; and Major John F. Lacey, of Oskaloosa, Iowa.

The Society will put to press in the near future a volume on the history of the Quakers in Iowa, written by Mr. Louis T. Jones, who occupied the position of Research Assistant in the Society during the past year. Mr. Jones has recently removed to Florida.

Dr. Clarence R. Aurner, Research Associate in The State Historical Society of Iowa, is the writer of an article entitled *Iowa a Debtor to Horace Mann*, which appears in the *Journal of Education* of October 2, 1913. Dr. Aurner is engaged in writing a comprehensive history of education in Iowa.

The Society has recently acquired the records and papers of the Fremont Voters' Association of the First Congressional District of Iowa. This unique association held its last meeting at Keokuk on August 26, 1913, at which time it was voted to disband the organization on account of the dwindling number of members.

Mr. Jacob Van der Zee, Research Associate in The State Historical Society of Iowa, has been appointed as an Instructor in the Department of Political Science at the State University of Iowa. Dr. Dan E. Clark, Assistant Editor in the Society, has been appointed Lecturer in Iowa History in the same department.

The biography of James Harlan written by Mr. Johnson Brigham, State Librarian of Iowa, has been distributed to members. It is a book of about four hundred pages. Owing to the fact that Senator Harlan was well known to a great many people still living the biography will doubtless appeal to a large circle of readers.

The following persons have recently been elected to membership in the Society: Mr. Walter H. Beall, West Union, Iowa; Mr. Geo. L. Gillies, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. J. T. Hackworth, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. Arthur Metcalf, Webster City, Iowa; Mr. Steve A. O'Brien, Mason City, Iowa; Mr. F. W. Simmons, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. I. A.

Andrew, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. J. M. Jones, Shelby, Iowa; Mr. William F. Cleveland, Harlan, Iowa; Mr. W. O. Phipps, Bagley, Iowa.

Dr. John Carl Parish of Denver, Colorado, who for many years was Assistant Editor in The State Historical Society of Iowa, is the author of a volume entitled *The Man with the Iron Hand* which has been brought out by the Houghton Mifflin Company of Boston. The book is the first of a series to be known as *True Tales of the Great Valley*, edited by Dr. Benj. F. Shambaugh, the Superintendent of The State Historical Society of Iowa.