

## SOME PUBLICATIONS

*The County Archives of the State of Illinois.* By THEODORE CALVIN PEASE. (*Collections of the Illinois State Historical Library, Vol. XII.*) Springfield: The Illinois State Historical Library. 1915. Pp. cxli, 730. This large volume "owes its existence to the recognition by the trustees of the Illinois State Historical Library that their task of setting forth the sources for the history of the state would be left uncompleted without a detailed account of the materials of interest to the social scientist to be found in the various county courthouses. The trustees wished also to determine, during the preparation of such an account, if the conditions surrounding the county records are such as will insure their preservation."

About one hundred and twenty pages are devoted to excellent introductory material. First there is a general discussion of the county archives of Illinois, including a description of the various types of records, an estimate of their historical importance, and suggestions relative to methods of making and preserving local records. Then the archives of various county offices, such as the clerk of the circuit court, the recorder, the county clerk, and the clerk of the probate court, are treated in much the same manner but in greater detail.

Then follow lists of the records preserved in the various counties of the State, arranged alphabetically by counties and classified as a rule according to office and character. The lists for different counties vary somewhat in completeness and in method of arrangement, owing to the fact that the survey was conducted at various times by several people. At the head of each list is a brief note stating a few facts in the history of the county, and indicating the manner in which the records are made and preserved in that county.

No argument need now be used to prove the value of local archives from an historical and administrative standpoint. It is only on the basis of such works as the one under consideration that there can be worked out a scientific, uniform plan of making and pre-



serving such records. Other States may well make investigations similar to that made in Illinois.

*The Riverside History of the United States.* Four volumes. Edited by WILLIAM E. DODD. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company. 1915. There are several noteworthy features of this series, which comprises a total of 1272 pages exclusive of the prefatory matter and the index in each volume. In the first place, there can be no complaint that wars and military operations are given an undue amount of space. On the other hand, a special effort has been made throughout to emphasize the social and economic factors in American history. Again, the southern and especially western viewpoint is presented more fully than in any previous work of a similar character. In fact, of the four authors one was born and educated in the Middle West, and all of them have taught in this region long enough to become impressed with the importance of western history.

Carl Lotus Becker of the University of Kansas is the author of the first volume, entitled *Beginnings of the American People* (275 pp.). Its chief features are the attention given to the European background; the more than customary emphasis on the English, rather than the colonial, viewpoint of the period under discussion; and the interpretative method of treating the long story of colonial establishments, growth, and problems, closing with the winning of independence. While this volume may not prove as useful for reference purposes as the other books in the series, it is perhaps more easily read, both because of its literary style and because of the necessary elimination of details in covering so long a period.

*Union and Democracy* (346 pp.) is the title of the second volume, and the writer is Allen Johnson of Yale University, who was for several years professor of history in Grinnell College. The first ten chapters, covering one hundred and ninety-six pages and including a good chapter on the purchase of Louisiana, bring the reader down to the close of the Jeffersonian period. Out of nearly fifty pages devoted to the causes, military operations, and results of the War of 1812 about one-third are given to the military operations. The remaining one hundred pages deal with the political, social, and economic developments in the United States from the close of the war



to the beginning of the Jacksonian era, in six chapters on the westward movement, hard times, the national awakening, the new democracy, politics and State rights, and the rise of national sovereignty. Professor Johnson's volume is clearly written, definite, and well proportioned.

In the third volume, on *Expansion and Conflict* (329 pp.), written by William E. Dodd of Chicago University and the editor of the series, the narrative is carried from the year 1829 to the close of the Civil War. "The purpose of this volume", says the author, "is to show the action and reaction of the most important social, economic, political, and personal forces that have entered into the make-up of the United States as a nation. The primary assumption of the author is that the people of this country did not compose a nation until after the close of the Civil War in 1865." Few persons are so well prepared for such a work by personal research in southern history during the ante-bellum period as Professor Dodd; and he has also profited by studies made in recent years by others whose viewpoint has been western. As a result he has presented a view of the forty years of sectional conflict which is distinctly different from that usually found in works of this kind. Especially has he taken advantage of the numerous monographs on State and local history in the Middle West. Occasionally slips occur, as giving 1846 as the year of the admission of Wisconsin into the Union (p. 198); or the implication (p. 199) that the Indian title to a considerable portion of Iowa soil remained to be extinguished during the fifties.

Finally, *The New Nation* (342 pp.), by Frederic L. Paxson of the University of Wisconsin, covers the period from 1865 to 1914, and the title is explained in the preface as based upon the fact that "a new nation has appeared within the United States since the Civil War. . . . The Constitution emerged . . . substantially unchanged, but the economic development of the United States in the sixties and seventies gave birth to a society that was, by 1885, already national in its activities and necessities".

In reality *The New Nation* is a new history of the period (from the Civil War to the present) which is now coming to be regarded as an epoch by writers of history. This period has brought home to careful students the important influence of economic and social



forces in American history, and Professor Paxson has more clearly perceived this fact than any other historian who has treated the same events. The titles of some of his chapters indicate the kind of topics emphasized, and his grasp upon the fundamental factors: "Business and Politics"; "The Farmers' Cause"; "Populism"; "Free Silver"; "Big Business"; "The 'Muck-Rakers'"; and "The New Nationalism".

The point of view of the author is western rather than eastern and his attitude is consequently broader and his perspective more correct than if he had written with his face toward Europe. Constitutional questions are made subordinate, while economic and social factors are given a prominent place. An occasional error in dealing with so many facts is to be anticipated — the first national nominating convention of the Populists met at Omaha in 1892 not as stated at St. Louis (p. 209). Bishop Potter's sermon, preached at the centennial of the Constitution, was delivered in 1889, instead of in 1887 (p. 246). On the whole, Professor Paxson has given the best systematic treatment of the latest phase in American history yet published.

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*The Searchlight on Congress* is the name of a new publication which made its appearance in February. It is "published monthly by the National Voters' League to acquaint the people with their lawmakers".

A. E. Winship is the author of a series of articles entitled *Educators as I have Known Them* which is running in the *Journal of Education*.

The United States Bureau of Education has issued a bulletin entitled *The University and the Municipality* which contains a summary of the proceedings of the first session of the National Association of Municipal Universities.

Among the articles in the *Political Science Quarterly* for December are the following: *The Virginia Debt Controversy*, by James G. Randall; *Competition and Capital*, by Oswald W. Knauth; and *The First Year of the New Banking System*, by H. Parker Willis.



*Reconstruction and Education in Virginia*, by Edgar W. Knight; and *The North Carolina Fund for Internal Improvements*, by William K. Boyd, are articles which appear in the January number of *The South Atlantic Quarterly*.

A dissertation upon *The Operation of the Freedmen's Bureau in South Carolina*, by Laura J. Webster, occupies the January number of the *Smith College Studies in History*.

An address by George Evan Roberts on the *Economic Position of the United States at the Close of the War*, which was delivered before the Clark University Conference on Problems and Lessons of the War in December, 1915, has been published in pamphlet form by the National City Bank of New York.

Dr. E. H. Downey, who is well known as the author of two volumes in the *Iowa Economic History Series*, is the writer of an excellent article on *The Classification of Industries for Workmen's Compensation Insurance*, which has been reprinted from the *Proceedings of the Casualty Actuarial and Statistical Society of America*.

In the September number of the *Bulletin of the New York Public Library* there is a partial bibliography of works relating to *Political Parties in the United States, 1800-1914*, compiled by Alta Chaffin.

In the *National Municipal Review* for January there may be found, among others, the following articles: *American Conceptions of Municipal Government*, by Clinton Rogers Woodruff; *Coming of Age: Municipal Progress in Twenty-one Years*, by William Dudley Foulke; and *The Ashtabula Plan — The Latest Step in Municipal Organization*.

*Unlawful Possession of Intoxicating Liquors and the Webb-Kenyon Act*, by Lindsay Rogers, is the opening article in the *Columbia Law Review* for January. Samuel C. Wiel discusses *Public Service Irrigation Companies*. Two articles in the March number are: *The Federal Trade Commission*, by Charles W. Needham; and *The Doctrine of an Inherent Right of Local Self-government*, by Howard Lee McBain.



A study of *The Boycott in American Trade Unions*, by Leo Wolman, constitutes a recent number in the *Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science*. The six chapters deal with the nature of the boycott, the history of the boycott, the boycott on materials, the boycott on commodities, the mechanism of the boycott, and the law and the boycott.

The fourth number of volume one of the new quarterly periodical known as *The Catholic Historical Review* appeared in January. The four articles printed in this number are as follows: *Chronology of the Catholic Hierarchy of the United States*, by Owen B. Corrigan; *The Preservation of Ecclesiastical Documents*, by J. C. Fitzpatrick; *The Right Rev. Richard Luke Concanen, O. P., the First Bishop of New York*, by V. F. O'Daniel; and *The Rise of National Catholic Churches in the United States*, by N. A. Weber.

The February number of the periodical known as *Special Libraries* contains the *Report of the Committee on Municipal Reference Libraries and Archives*, made to the National Municipal League; and a *List of Recent References on Public Service Rates with Special Reference to Regulation*, compiled by H. H. B. Meyer. In the March number there is an article describing the *Federal Trade Commission Library*, by Carlos C. Houghton; and a discussion of *The Legislative Reference Bureau as a Bill Revising Agency*, by J. F. Marron.

Arthur W. H. Eaton writes about Sir John Wentworth and the Duke of Kent in the fourth installment of his *Chapters in the History of Halifax, Nova Scotia*, which appears in the December number of *Americana*. There is also a continuation of the *Recollections of a Half Century and More*, by Andrew M. Sherman. S. G. Lapham contributes a brief note concerning a memorial which has been erected in Lapham Park in Milwaukee to Increase A. Lapham, who is called the father of the United States Weather Bureau.

The March number of *The American Labor Legislation Review* contains the proceedings of the ninth annual meeting of the *American Association for Labor Legislation*. Aside from the presidential address by Henry R. Seager, on *American Labor Legislation*, the



papers deal with various phases of social insurance and protective legislation for seamen.

*Cost and Value of Service in Railroad Rate-making*, by M. O. Lorenz; *Joint Costs with Especial Regard to Railways*, by Lewis H. Haney; *Currency Depreciation in Time of War*, by A. C. Whitaker; and *The Amalgamated Copper Company: A Closed Chapter in Corporation Finance*, by F. E. Richter, are among the articles in the February number of *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*.

Earl G. Swem is the compiler of *A Bibliography of Virginia*, containing the titles of books in the Virginia State Library which either relate to Virginia or Virginians, were written by Virginians, or were printed in Virginia. This bibliography, published by the Virginia State Library, occupies more than seven hundred and fifty pages, including an elaborate index. It will be supplemented by additional lists from time to time.

*National Industries and the Federal Government* is the general topic of discussion in the January number of *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*. The numerous papers are grouped into four parts devoted to the Federal Trade Commission and its problems, the Federal Reserve Board and its accomplishments, the Interstate Commerce Commission and its work, and other federal departments in their relation to American industries.

*The Immigrants in America Review* is the title of a new quarterly publication, the fourth number of which appeared in January. Frances A. Kellor is at the head of the editorial staff, and on the advisory editorial board are such well known persons as Mary Antin, Emily Balch, Winston Churchill, Herbert Croly, Frederic C. Howe, Woods Hutchinson, Walter Lippmann, Percy Mackaye, S. S. McClure, Graham Taylor, and others of equal note. The object of the publication is to promote the welfare and the thorough Americanization of the millions of immigrants in this country.

A new historical quarterly made its appearance in January, namely, *The Journal of Negro History*, edited by Carter G. Wood-



son of Washington, D. C. The following articles are to be found in the initial number: *The Negroes of Cincinnati Prior to the Civil War*, by Carter G. Woodson; *The Story of Maria Louise Moore and Fannie M. Richards*, by W. B. Hartgrove; *The Passing Tradition and the African Civilization*, by Monroe N. Work; and *The Mind of the African Negro as Reflected in his Proverbs*, by A. O. Stafford. The periodical, which gives promise of great usefulness, also contains sections devoted to documents, book reviews, and notes.

*The Nature and Method of History*, by Samuel B. Harding; *American Revolutionary History in High School*, by Clark E. Persinger; and *Public Discussion as a Civic Duty*, by Elmer C. Griffith, are articles which appear in the January number of *The History Teacher's Magazine*. The February number contains, among others, the following articles: *American Diplomatic History in High School*, by Carl Russell Fish; *How the Furs Came Down from the North Country*, by L. A. Chase; and *Standards for Community Civics*, by D. W. Horton. Recent American history is the central theme of discussion in the March number, two of the articles being *The Study of Recent American History*, by Frederic L. Paxson; and *Recent American History Through the Actors' Eyes*, by Charles R. Lingley.

Ginn and Company have brought out a volume of more than three hundred pages on the *Growth of American State Constitutions from 1776 to the End of the Year 1914*, by James Quayle Dealey of Brown University. The twenty-two chapters are grouped into three parts. The first part, comprising about one-third of the book, is devoted to the history of State constitutions. Part two consists of an excellent analysis of the provisions of the existing State constitutions. The author is in error (p. 153) in indicating that by constitutional provision in Iowa "women taxpayers" are allowed "to vote on certain referenda involving expenditures". In part three there is pointed out the trend in State constitutions, wherein the author shows himself to be fully in accord with the best of the recent movements for the reorganization of State government. It is unfortunate that a book containing so much valuable data is not provided with an adequate index.



In January there appeared the first number of *The Military Historian and Economist*, a newly-launched, quarterly periodical, published by the Harvard University Press. Mr. A. L. Conger of Fort Leavenworth and Mr. R. M. Johnston of Harvard University are the editors. In view of the possibility that the United States may not escape becoming involved in the great war special interest attaches to the opening article in which Contre-Admiral Degouy gives his expert opinion on the subject of *Hostile Submarine Action on the American Seaboard*. Justin H. Smith speaks from extensive experience in discussing the *Sources for a History of the Mexican War, 1846-1848*. A critical discussion of *Fort Donelson*, by A. L. Conger, reveals the importance of the economic factors in war. Seven pages are devoted to some pertinent comments on *The Question of Guam*, by B. H. Richard; and the problem of *Financing the "Armed Nation"* is discussed by O. M. W. Sprague. After sections devoted to comment, tactical notes, economic notes, and book reviews there is the first installment of the *Personal Memoirs of Major-General D. S. Stanley*.

Charles H. Sherrill is the author of an entertaining volume entitled *French Memories of Eighteenth-Century America*, which has been published by Charles Scribner's Sons. The material is taken, as the title indicates, from the memoirs of various Frenchmen who visited this country as soldiers during the Revolutionary War or as travelers, voluntary or involuntary, in the intervening years before the close of the century. On the whole, the comments of these visitors are friendly and sympathetic in tone. They present an excellent picture of social life, dress, marriage customs, physical traits, city life, country life, means of travel, education, newspapers, religious observances, the learned professions, labor, manufacture, trade, and other manifestations of life in America during the last quarter of the eighteenth century. It is to be regretted that it did not fall in with the author's plan to include some observations of travelers in the West, which region, except for a slight reference to New Orleans, is entirely neglected.



## WESTERN AMERICANA

The quarterly bulletin published by the Indiana State Library in December contains a *Bibliography on Country Life, the Farm and the Small Town*.

Two numbers of the *Anthropological Papers of the American Museum of Natural History* which have recently been issued are: *Costumes of the Plains Indians*, by Clark Wissler; and *Associations and Ceremonies of the Menomini Indians*, by Alanson Skinner.

An illuminating monograph on *The Influence of Anthropology on the Course of Political Science*, by John Linton Myres, constitutes volume four, number one of the *University of California Publications in History*.

Volume seventeen, number five of *The University of Missouri Bulletin* contains a brief monograph by Frank Fletcher Stephens on *The Monroe Doctrine: Its Origin, Development and Recent Interpretation*.

An interesting account of military life on the western frontier during the years following the close of the Civil War is to be found in the *Recollections of an Old Cavalryman*, by Ezra B. Fuller, which appear in the *Journal of the United States Cavalry Association* for January.

Among the contributions in *The University of California Chronicle* for January is a paper on *The Rural Credit System Needed in Western Development*, by Elwood Mead.

A booklet of about one hundred pages, by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is entitled *The Colorado Industrial Plan* and contains an article on *Labor and Capital — Partners* and two addresses by Mr. Rockefeller, the plan of employees' representation, and the agreement between the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company and its employees.

A paper on the history and results of *State Aid and State Supervision*, by A. R. Hirst, appears in *The Road-Maker* for December. *Financing Road Improvements* is the subject of an address by D. W. Norris which is printed in the January number. *The Old Overland*



*Trail in Missouri*, by Edgar White; and an account of the *Old King's Highway*, or El Camino Real, are articles in the March number.

*Dichotomous Social Organization in South Central California*, by Edward W. Gifford; *Composition of California Shell Mounds*, by the same author; and *The Mutsun Dialect of Costanoan Based on the Vocabulary of de la Cuesta*, by J. Alden Mason, are recent numbers of the *University of California Publications in American Archaeology and Ethnology*.

An interesting, illustrated article on *The Confederate Invasion of New Mexico — 1861-62*, is begun in the January number of the magazine known as *Old Santa Fe*. Military operations in the Mesilla Valley and the battle of Valverde, February 20, 1862, are described in this installment. Another contribution, on a phase of more ancient history, is an article on *Otermin's Attempt to Reconquer New Mexico, 1681-1682*, by Charles Wilson Hackett.

A paper by O. G. Libby, entitled *One Hundred Years of Peace*, occupies the opening pages of *The Quarterly Journal of the University of North Dakota* for January. Andrew A. Bruce briefly discussed *The Value and Necessity of a College Education to the Practising Lawyer*. There is an address on *Recent Social and Industrial Tendencies in the United States*, which was delivered by Frank L. McVey at the University of Christiania in Norway in September, 1912. *Life in Congress 1850-1861*, as seen through episodes in the career of Benjamin F. Wade, is described by Albert T. Vollweiler.

*The Life of Lyman Trumbull*, written by Horace White, and published by the Houghton Mifflin Company of Boston, is a volume of great interest and value, especially to students of history in the Middle West. Lyman Trumbull was United States Senator from Illinois from 1855 to 1873 — a period of vital importance in American history, during which he was a figure of no small influence. Moreover, the volume possesses special merit because of the author's intimate acquaintance with Trumbull and his thorough knowledge of the history of the period covered. An interesting feature of the preface is the author's frank acknowledgment that he had been



wrong in supporting the Congressional policy of Reconstruction, and that "Andrew Johnson's policy, which was Lincoln's policy, was the true one, and ought never to have been departed from. This is the conclusion to which I have come, after much study, in the evening of a long life." Iowans will find in the volume some material relative to William B. Allison, W. W. Belknap, Augustus C. Dodge, Grenville M. Dodge, James Harlan, Bernhart Henn, James F. Wilson, and especially concerning James W. Grimes, whom the author characterizes as "a man of granite mould, of unblemished character, undaunted courage, keen discernment, and untiring industry."

## IOWANA

There is a brief article on *German Russian Colonies in America*, by Freda Medley, in the March number of *Autumn Leaves*.

A new Iowa publication, devoted to the interests of the insurance business and called *The Successful Underwriter*, made its appearance in March. It is published in Des Moines.

Two articles on *Negroes and Freemasonry*, by Harry A. Williamson, may be found in the January and February numbers of *The American Freemason*.

Aside from continuations of biographical and autobiographical material the principal contribution in the January number of the *Journal of History*, published at Lamoni, Iowa, is an article on *The Nauvoo Charter*, by Samuel A. Burgess.

A *Population Bulletin* containing statistics of the census of Iowa taken in 1915, compiled by A. U. Swan, has been issued by the Executive Council.

*Extension Division Bulletin*, number fourteen, published by the State University of Iowa, consists of an *Iowa Handbook on Child Welfare*.

*Iowa, the State with the Least Amount of Illiteracy*, by A. M. Deyoe; and *Iowa's Contribution to the Educational Work of the World*, by Homer H. Seerley, are two articles in the February num-



ber of *Midland Schools*. In the March number E. E. Lewis discusses *The Financial Value of General Education*.

An unsigned article on *The Spirit of the Middle West* appears in the January number of *The Midland*, published at Iowa City. In the February number *The Appeal of the Middle West to the Literary Historian* is briefly pointed out by Dan E. Clark.

*Stockholders' Liability in Iowa*, by Elmer A. Wilcox, in the January number; and *Recording of Instruments Affecting Land*, by Percy Bordwell, and *Damages in Rate Discrimination at Common Law*, by Charles D. Waterman, in the March number, are recent articles in the *Iowa Law Bulletin*.

A book entitled *The Recognition of Jesse Badleigh*, written by H. H. Green, has been printed at Decorah, Iowa. While it is primarily a work of fiction, it nevertheless contains material relative to the early history of Decorah and incidents connected with the massacres by the Sioux Indians.

*How Sioux City is Governed* is the title of a small book by S. O. Rorem, instructor of business law and civics in the Sioux City High School. There are forty-two chapters explaining in non-technical language the functions and operation of every form of government which touches the people of Sioux City, from municipal to federal.

*The Old Capitol Building: A Plea for its Preservation*, by Theodore A. Wanerus, is an appeal in the February number of *The Iowa Alumnus* which should find a response in the shape of funds with which to make fire-proof this historic building. In the March number there are two *Historical Sketches of the Young Women's Christian Association*.

The *Report of the Committee on Judicial Opinions*, by Ben P. Poor; and the *Report of the Committee on Taxation*, by W. C. Cross, are to be found in the January number of *American Municipalities*. Articles in the March number are: *Liquor Censorship at Mason City*, by W. T. Forbes; *Home Rule for Iowa Municipalities*, by James R. Hanna; *Some Municipal Problems*, by A. J. Mercer; and *State Legislation for Municipalities*, by David E. Stuart.



In *The Alumnus of Iowa State College* for January there is a brief sketch of the career of *Carrie Chapman Catt* — *President National Suffrage Association*. A tribute to *Harriette Kellogg*, written by L. H. Pammel, appears in the February number. In March H. R. O'Brien outlines *What Iowa State College Does for the People of Iowa*.

A volume of *Recollections and Sketches of Notable Lawyers and Public Men of Early Iowa* is being prepared for publication by Edward H. Stiles, who is well qualified for such a task. He was for many years a member of the Iowa bar, served in both houses of the legislature during the last years of the Civil War, was Reporter of the Supreme Court of Iowa from 1867 to 1875, and is the author of a valuable digest of the decisions of that court.

The proceedings of the sixteenth annual conference of the Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, held at Burlington in October, 1915, fill a volume of about two hundred pages. Of special interest from the standpoint of Iowa history are the reports of the historian and of the committees on early Iowa trails and the preservation of historic spots in Iowa. There is also *Judge Luke Palmer's Address on Black Hawk*, delivered at Crapo Park in Burlington.

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- Two Poweshiek County Pioneers, in the *Grinnell Herald*, March 17, 1916.
- Early Times in Allamakee County, by A. M. May, in the *Waukon Republican*, March 22, 1916.
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Herald*, March 30, 1916.



## HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

### PUBLICATIONS

In the December number of *The Wisconsin Archeologist* there is an illustrated account of the *Indian Remains in Manitowoc County*, by Louis Falge.

The October-December number of *The Quarterly Publication of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio* is devoted to the annual report of the Society for the year ending December 6, 1915.

The State Historical Society of Wisconsin has published a bulletin of information describing and indicating the importance of the *Strong and Woodman Manuscript Collections in the Wisconsin State Historical Library*.

An address by C. J. Hexamer delivered at the unveiling of the General von Steuben Monument at Valley Forge in October, 1915; and a short article on *General Von Steuben and the New Lesson of German Militarism*, by M. D. Learned, may be found in the January-April number of the *German American Annals*.

An excellent article on *Lincoln and Missouri*, by Walter B. Stevens, is to be found in the January number of *The Missouri Historical Review*.

The *Annual Volume of the Onondaga Historical Association* for the year 1915 is taken up with a number of papers relative to *Onondaga's Part in the Civil War*, by Mrs. Sarah Sumner Teall.

The chief item, in addition to genealogical material, in *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* for January is a brief sketch of the career of the late *Charles Francis Adams*, by Worthington C. Ford.

The *Journal of Rev. Joshua Wingate Weeks, Loyalist Rector of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead, 1778-1779*, and the *Journal of a*



*Journey from Salem to Philadelphia in 1755* are among the contents of the January number of the *Historical Collections of the Essex Institute*.

The March number of the *Records of the American Catholic Historical Society* contains, among other things, the concluding installment of the *Epistle or Diary of the Reverend Father Marie Joseph Durand*, translated from the French by Ella M. E. Flick.

Two articles in *The Medford Historical Register* for January are an account of *Lafayette's Visit to Medford*, by Eliza M. Gill; and an appreciation of *Reverend Henry C. De Long*, by George M. Butler.

Continuations of *Letters to General Greene and Others*, annotated by Joseph W. Barnwell; and the *Order Book of John Faucheraud Grimké* are printed in the October number of *The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine*.

The Michigan Historical Commission has published in pamphlet form the addresses delivered at the unveiling of a tablet commemorating the discovery and exploration of the Old Northwest by Jean Nicolet. The tablet was unveiled on Mackinac Island on July 12, 1915.

In the January number of the *Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society* may be found a five-page article by Joseph F. Folsom entitled *A Slave Indenture of Colonial Days in New Jersey*; and the concluding section of John L. Rankin's study of *Newark Town Government from 1666-1833*.

Nearly two hundred pages in volume fourteen of the *Proceedings and Collections of the Wyoming Historical and Genealogical Society* of Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, are devoted to the *Reminiscences of Hon. Charles Miner, 1780-1865*, by Charles Francis Richardson. Shorter contributions are: *Buried River Channels of the Northeastern States*, by James F. Kemp; *The Development of Interest in Historical Societies*, by Thomas Lynch Montgomery; and *The "Alfred F. Berlin" Collection of Indian Artifacts*, by Christopher Wren.



*La Sépulture d'Etienne Brulé*, by Jules Tremblay; *Les Conseillers au Conseil Souverain de la Nouvelle-France*, by Pierre-Georges Roy; *Elba, a Hundred Years After*, by George M. Wrong; and *Some Notes on the First Legislative Assembly of Ontario and its Speaker*, by W. S. Herrington, are among the contributions in the September number of the *Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada*.

The opening pages of the *Maryland Historical Magazine* for December are occupied by the *Journal of the Committee of Observation of the Middle District of Frederick County, Maryland*, from September 12, 1775, to October 24, 1776. Then follow continuations of *Extracts from the Carroll Papers* and of *Uria Brown's Journal*. Bernard C. Steiner is the author of an article on the *Disturbances Concerning the Delaware Boundary*.

*James Wickes Taylor: A Biographical Sketch*, by Theodore C. Blegen, occupies the *Minnesota History Bulletin* for December, aside from the usual space devoted to book reviews, notes, and comment. In the March number may be found an abstract of an address on *The Social Memory*, by George E. Vincent; a brief tribute to *Lloyd Barber*, by Charles C. Willson; and an interesting paper on the *Genesis of the Typewriter*, by William G. Le Duc.

*The Register of the Kentucky State Historical Society* for January opens with a brief tribute to *Colonel J. Stoddard Johnston, a Great Kentuckian, Who Was Distinguished as a Soldier, Scholar, Politician and Journalist*, by George Baber. Some *Boone Records* are compiled by J. D. Bryan and James Boone. *Burr and Blennerhassett at Chaumiere* is the title of a short article by Mrs. Alysonia Rennick Todd.

H. M. Wagstaff is the editor of *The Harris Letters* which occupy volume fourteen, number one, of *The James Sprunt Historical Publications* of the North Carolina Historical Society. Numbers one and two of volume fifteen are combined, being devoted to a monograph of over two hundred pages by J. G. de Rouhac Hamilton on *Party Politics in North Carolina, 1835-1860*, which unfortunately is without citations to sources other than a brief bibliography at the close.



The principle article in the *Indiana Magazine of History* for March is one by George R. Wilson on *The First Public Land Surveys in Indiana: Freeman's Lines*. The concluding installment of the study of *The Election of 1852*, by Dale Beeler; a sketch of the life of *Samuel Merrill, Indiana's Second State Treasurer*, from the papers of Catharine Merrill; and an article on the *Settlement of Worthington and Old Point Commerce*, by Robert Weems, are other contributions.

Wilbur H. Siebert is the author of an article on *The Loyalists in West Florida and the Natchez District* which is given first place in *The Mississippi Valley Historical Review* for March. Henry N. Sherwood writes on *Early Negro Deportation Projects*; there is a discussion of the *Pioneer Anti-slavery Press*, by Asa E. Martin; and Walter L. Fleming furnishes a valuable survey of *Recent Historical Activities in the Trans-Mississippi Southwest*. Three short documents concerning the consular service of the United States in Latin America are supplied with introduction and notes by William Spence Robertson.

The *Proceedings of the Sixteenth Annual Session of the State Literary and Historical Association of North Carolina*, compiled by R. D. W. Connor, have been published by the North Carolina Historical Commission. Among the addresses and papers contained in the volume are: *A Western View of Tradition*, by Franklin K. Lane; *Can Democracy be Organized?*, by Edwin A. Alderman; *Social and Economic Legislation in North Carolina During the Civil War*, by E. W. Sikes; *Union Sentiment in North Carolina During the Civil War*, by Mary Shannon Smith; and *The Southern Policy of Andrew Johnson*, by J. G. de Roulhac Hamilton.

Hampton L. Carson is the writer of a short biography of *Hon. James Tyndale Mitchell, LL. D.*, late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and for nineteen years senior vice president of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, which appears in the January number of *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*. Following this there is *William Penn's Journal of his Second Visit to Ireland*, occupying about forty pages. *The State*



*House Yard, and Who Owned it after William Penn*, by Charles H. Browning; and *Selections from the Military Papers of Brig. Gen. William Irwine* are also of interest.

The July, 1915, number of the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* opens with a thirty-page article on the *Life and Labors of Hon. Adlai Ewing Stevenson*, by John W. Cook. The story of *The Lincoln Life-Mask and How it was Made*, by Leonard W. Volk, is reprinted from *The Century Magazine* for 1881, and there are some comments and corrections by Henry B. Rankin. The same writer contributes an article entitled *The First American—Abraham Lincoln*. Other articles are: *The North-West Territory*, by Charles A. Kent; *The Mormon War in Hancock County*, by Herbert Spencer Salisbury; and *David B. Sears, Pioneer in the Development of the Water Power of the Mississippi River*, by David Sears. The last article has a special interest to students of Iowa history, since the activities of David B. Sears were partly carried on in the Iowa country.

A phase of Civil War history which has received too little attention, namely, the governmental and economic problems of the period especially from the southern viewpoint, is touched upon in an article on *Jefferson Davis and the Confederate Congress*, by Robert G. Cleland, which appears in the January number of *The Southwestern Historical Quarterly*. Along the same line is the second installment of L. R. Garrison's study of the *Administrative Problems of the Confederate Post Office Department*. Thomas Maitland Marshall is the writer of a paper on *St. Vrain's Expedition to the Gila in 1826*; Charles E. Chapman discusses the *Difficulties of Maintaining the Department of San Blas, 1775-1777*; William W. Groce presents a sketch of the life of *Major General John A. Wharton*; Eugene C. Barker contributes a letter furnishing *A Glimpse of the Texas Fur Trade in 1832*; and there is another section of *British Correspondence Concerning Texas*, edited by Ephraim Douglass Adams.

The January number of the *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly* is given over to papers relating to various phases of the educational history of the Ohio Valley. The following eight papers



make up the contents: *The Higher Education of Women in the Ohio Valley Previous to 1840*, by Jane Sherzer; *European Influence on Early Western Education*, by Willis L. Gard; *Pioneer Schools and School Masters*, by D. C. Shilling; *The Rise of the Denominational College*, by Russell M. Storey; *Land Grants for Education in the Ohio Valley States*, by Clement L. Martzoff; *Samuel Lewis, Progressive Educator in the Early History of Ohio*, by Alston Ellis; *Colonel Dick Johnson's Choctaw Academy: A Forgotten Educational Experiment*, by Shelley D. Rouse; and *Secondary Education in Ohio Previous to the Year 1840*, by W. W. Boyd.

*The Last Step in the Formation of a Provisional Government for Oregon in 1845* is the subject discussed by Robert Carlton Clark in *The Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society* for December. *John Minto — A Tribute by One Who Loved Him* is written by John Gill. General interest attaches to a brief discussion of *Indian Words in Our Language*, by J. Neilson Barry. *Early Farming in Umatilla County*, by C. A. Barrett; *Captain Joseph R. Walker*, by James O'Meara; and the *Speech of Mr. Eli Thayer on the Admission of Oregon as a State*, are other contributions. The installment of the *Correspondence of the Rev. Ezra Fisher* here printed is especially rich in material concerning the early activities of the Baptist Church in Iowa, with frequent glimpses of general conditions in the Territory in 1844 and 1845. It also contains an account of the preparations for and the main part of the journey of Rev. Fisher from Rock Island to Oregon in the year 1845.

Asa Earl Martin is the writer of an article on *The Anti-Slavery Societies of Tennessee* which is given first place in the December number of the *Tennessee Historical Magazine*. Albert V. Goodpasture presents a brief sketch of the life of *Dr. James White, Pioneer, Politician, Lawyer*; and there is a discussion of *The Development of the Tennessee Constitution*, by Wallace McClure. Under the heading of "Documents" may be found *The Reminiscences of Elleanore (Callaghan) Ratterman*, telling of William Walker's invasion of Nicaragua, and some *Walker-Heisa Papers*, containing additional material concerning the famous filibuster's career in Nicaragua, all of which are edited by William O. Scroggs. Articles



which appear in the March number are *The Public School System of Tennessee, 1834-1860*, by A. P. Whitaker; and *The Topographical Beginnings of Nashville*, by Park Marshall; while St. George L. Sioussat provides introduction and notes for the *Diaries of S. H. Laughlin, of Tennessee, 1840, 1843*.

*The American Historical Review* for January opens with the presidential address by H. Morse Stephens on *Nationality and History*, read before the American Historical Association at its annual meeting in Washington, D. C., in December, 1915. The first installment of a monograph on *The True Roger Bacon* is written by Lynn Thorndyke. *The Colonial Post-office* is the subject of an interesting article by William Smith. Two other papers are: *American Cotton Trade with Liverpool Under the Embargo and Non-intercourse Acts*, by G. W. Daniels; and *The Governor-General of the Philippines Under Spain and the United States*, by David P. Barrows. Among the "Notes and Suggestions" is a note by C. O. Paullin on the electoral vote for John Quincy Adams in 1820. Under the heading of "Documents" are some letters relative to *The Origin of the Regulation in North Carolina*, with introduction and notes by Archibald Henderson. There is also a list of the doctoral dissertations in history in progress at the chief American universities in December, 1915.

*A Critical Discussion of the Site of Camp Washington*, by M. Orion Monroe, which appears in the January number of *The Washington Historical Quarterly*, would seem to indicate that a tablet supposed to mark the site where Isaac I. Stevens and George B. McClellan and their surveying parties camped late in October, 1853, which was erected several years ago was placed on the wrong spot. *Marine Disasters of the Alaska Route* are discussed by C. L. Andrews, and there are valuable lists of the ships lost or damaged since 1848. John Edwin Ayer is the writer of a short sketch of the life of *George Bush, the Voyageur*, who was born in about 1791 in what is now Missouri and was for a time engaged in the fur trade on the Upper Missouri. Victor J. Farrar furnishes the annual survey of the activities of the *Pioneer and Historical Societies of the State of Washington*. In a list of *The Pioneer Dead of 1915*, compiled by



Edith G. Prosch, are the names of several persons who emigrated from Iowa to the Pacific Coast before 1860. There is a continuation of the *Journal of Occurrences at Nisqually House, 1833*, edited by Clarence B. Bagley.

A short biography of *Josephus Nelson Larned*, by John B. Olmsted, in volume nineteen of the *Publications of the Buffalo Historical Society*, is followed by some selected papers and addresses by Mr. Larned on various subjects in the fields of history, education, political science, and sociology, together with a chronological list of his writings. A tribute to *Henry A. Richmond* is written by Henry R. Howland. Then come three reminiscent articles concerning early newspapers in Buffalo, and a bibliography, which is surprisingly long, of *The Periodical Press of Buffalo, 1811-1915*, compiled by Frank H. Severance. There are also portraits of a number of pioneer printers and representative editors and publishers of early Buffalo. Finally, the volume contains some interesting editorial notes by Frank H. Severance, and the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Buffalo Historical Society in January, 1915.

Volume forty-eight of the *Proceedings* of the Massachusetts Historical Society contains, among others, the following papers and documentary contributions: *Again "The Tissue of History"*, by Charles Francis Adams; some hitherto unpublished instructions and despatches of the British Ghent Commission, contributed by Worthington C. Ford; *The British Proclamation of May, 1861*, by Charles Francis Adams; *Development of the Popular Churches After the Revolution*, by John Spencer Bassett; *General Garfield at Chickamauga*, by Theodore C. Smith; *Fiction as Historical Material*, by Gamaliel Bradford; some documents relative to *The Massachusetts Embassy to Washington, 1815*, by Samuel E. Morison; a number of tributes to the late Charles Francis Adams; *Extracts from the Diary of Benjamin Moran, 1860-1868*, by Worthington C. Ford; and *An Episode of the War of 1812*, by Thomas F. Waters.

#### ACTIVITIES

Mr. Hiram Heaton of Glendale, Secretary of the Jefferson County Historical Society, is the subject of a sketch in *The Fairfield Tribune* for March 24, 1916.



The ninth annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association will be held at Nashville, Tennessee, on April 27-29, 1916.

At the annual meeting of the Presbyterian Historical Society held on January 13, 1916, Dr. Henry Van Dyke was reëlected president for the ensuing year.

The Indiana Historical Commission has plans well under way for the celebration later this year of the one hundredth anniversary of the admission of Indiana into the Union.

During October there was effected a consolidation of the Tennessee Historical Society and the Tennessee Woman's Historical Society.

At the seventeenth annual meeting of the Oregon Historical Society held at Portland on December 18, 1915, the principal address was one by O. B. Sperlin, on *The Indians of the Northwest as Revealed in the Journals of the Earliest Fur Traders and Explorers*.

The Department of Historical Research in the Carnegie Institution of Washington announces that Miss Elizabeth Donnan has begun the compilation of a volume of original materials relating to the early history of the slave trade.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the State Historical Society of Missouri was held in the rooms of the Society in the new University library building at Columbia on December 10, 1915. The membership of the Society now numbers over one thousand and the total number of titles in the library is approximately 44,000. A committee has been appointed to begin the making of plans for the proper celebration of the centennial of the admission of Missouri into the Union.

The Webster County Historical Society, of which Mr. H. M. Pratt is Curator, is making a special effort to collect papers, letters, manuscripts, photographs, and other material bearing upon the history of Webster County and of Iowa in general. A large display cabinet has been placed in the city library at Fort Dodge for the



purpose of preserving relics of various kinds where they may be seen by visitors. Among the possessions of the Society is a fine collection of Indian relics donated by Mrs. George W. Marsh.

In the *Bedford Times-Republican* for January 20, 1916, there was an editorial strongly urging the formation of an historical society in Taylor County, and the collection and preservation of the records and other materials relating to the history of the county.

The principal topic of discussion at the meeting of the Jefferson County Historical Society on March 1st was the plan, thus far unsuccessful, to secure funds for the erection of a monument on the site in Fairfield where the first State Fair was held in Iowa. Some attention was also given to the proposed union of the various associations of an historical character in Jefferson County. The election of officers resulted in the choice of those who served during the past year. Before the meeting closed Professor P. C. Hildreth of Parsons College, a member of The State Historical Society of Iowa, delivered an address.

The Historical Department of Iowa at Des Moines has received substantial additions to the collection of materials donated several years ago by the late Grenville M. Dodge. Included in this collection are a large number of war relics. Another recent accession is the collection of Civil War papers and relics belonging to Captain V. P. Twombly. Miss Ida M. Huntington, Assistant Curator of the Department, and Miss Lavinia Steele of the State Library, have compiled a list of Iowans who have become known for their accomplishments in the field of art. This list was published in *The Register and Leader* of March 12, 1916.

The Minnesota Historical Society held its annual meeting on the evening of January 10, 1916, at which time President George E. Vincent of the University of Minnesota delivered an address on *The Social Memory*. Resolutions were adopted urging the members of the Minnesota delegation in Congress to support the movement for a national archives building at Washington, D. C. The membership list of the Society at that time contained four hundred and thirty-five names. The total number of accessions in the library reached



nearly seventy-nine thousand, an increase of about two and a quarter thousands during 1915, and it is estimated that there is sufficient unaccessioned material, mostly pamphlets, in the library to bring the number up to one hundred and twenty thousand. Mr. Warren Upham, now archaeologist for the Society, is compiling a work on *Minnesota Geographic Names*.

At the meeting of the Allamakee County Historical and Archaeological Society on January 11, 1916, there was some discussion of the question of preserving the government survey post on the State line at New Albin. An article by A. M. May on *Allamakee County a Vast Beauty Spot* was approved for publication. Mr. Ellison Orr read a paper on *The New Albin Inscribed Tablet*. On March 15th the Society held its first annual meeting, at which time the persons chosen as officers on the occasion of the organization of the Society on November 30, 1915, were reelected to serve for the ensuing year. Progress was reported in the matter of the boundary line post at New Albin and the prospect is that the sum of one hundred dollars appropriated by the General Assembly for the purpose of its preservation will soon be applied to the use for which it was intended.

#### PAGE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In the January number of THE IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS attention was called to the fact that a movement was on foot to organize a county historical society in Page County. That movement has been successful. The Page County Historical Society has been organized, with twenty-five charter members, and a constitution and by-laws have been adopted. In the words of the constitution, 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 Page County, Iowa, but may include such material as is illustrative of the history of the State and nation; and the publication of such historical and biographical matter as the society may authorize." The membership fee is fifty cents and the annual dues are fifty cents. The headquarters of the Society will be at Clarinda.

A Board of Directors, of which Mr. A. F. Galloway is chairman,



has been selected to manage the affairs of the Society until the first election of officers which will occur on May 8th. A special program is being planned for that time and a campaign for members has been launched.

#### THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

Owing to the death of her father, Miss Eliza L. Johnson, who since 1905 has had charge of the library of the Society, has upon her own request been relieved of her work; and Miss Ruth A. Gallaher has been placed in charge of the library.

The Society is in receipt of a handsome medallion commemorative of the three hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Dutch settlement on Manhattan Island in 1613, and of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Board of Aldermen in 1665. The medallion was presented by the Holland Society of New York.

Volumes three and four of Dr. Clarence Ray Aurner's *History of Education in Iowa* have been distributed to members. Volume three is devoted to secondary education, including academies, private normal schools, business colleges, and especially the history of the public high school in Iowa. Volume four contains general historical accounts of the State University of Iowa, the Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, and the State Teachers' College.

By action of the Board of Curators, Library Membership in The State Historical Society of Iowa was abolished from and after January 1, 1916, and in lieu thereof certain public and college libraries within the State together with a limited list of libraries and institutions outside the State were designated as official depositories for the publications of the Society. The list of depositories within the State includes 153 public and college libraries, while the depositories outside the State number about sixty. These official depositories will receive all of the publications of the Society as issued without the payment of any fee or dues whatsoever. In this way The State Historical Society of Iowa will continue to make its publi-



cations accessible to the greatest possible number of persons interested in the history of Iowa.

Captain A. L. Conger of the Military Service Schools at Fort Leavenworth was the speaker at a conference-seminar held in the rooms of the Society on February 14th, his subject being "The Importance of the Study of Military History". One week later Professor William E. Dodd of the University of Chicago addressed a seminar on "The Southern Background of the Declaration of Independence". Both of these seminars were arranged by Dr. Louis Pelzer, Assistant Professor of American History in the State University of Iowa.

The State Historical Society of Iowa is coöperating with the historical agencies in the States of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, and the Historical Department of Iowa at Des Moines, in an enterprise which promises to be productive of much benefit to students of the history of this region. Under the joint patronage of these societies and departments, Dr. N. D. Mereness is preparing a calendar of the many papers in the archives of the Department of State at Washington which relate to the early history of these six States. A copy of this calendar will be secured by each one of the coöperating agencies and arrangements have been made whereby photostatic copies of any of the material listed in this calendar may be secured for the collections of the societies participating in the plan. In this way much valuable material hitherto virtually inaccessible to the research student will be made available at a comparatively small expense of labor and money.

The following persons have recently been elected to membership in the Society: Mr. A. W. Brown, Davenport, Iowa; Dr. W. W. Carson, Sioux City, Iowa; Mr. J. C. Collier, Dubuque, Iowa; Miss Edith Eicher, Jefferson, Iowa; Miss Nellie E. Gardner, New Hampton, Iowa; Mrs. Ruth Irish Preston, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. C. H. Northup, Ollie, Iowa; Mr. Geo. E. Allen, Onawa, Iowa; Mr. Lewis H. Andrews, Clearfield, Iowa; Mr. Martin Ausland, Emmetsburg, Iowa; Mr. G. G. Benjamin, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. R. H. Croft, Winterset, Iowa; Mr. Chas. E. Davis, Tama, Iowa; Mr. C. E. Dean,



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## NOTES AND COMMENT

A monument to Daniel and Rebecca Boone was unveiled and dedicated at Marthasville, Missouri, on October 29, 1915.

The Burton Historical Library at Detroit has recently acquired about four thousand photostatic copies of papers in the archives of various offices at Washington relating to the early history of Michigan.

The annual meeting of the Swedish-American Society of Iowa was held at Des Moines on March 9th. The immediate object of this organization is the securing of funds with which to erect a monument to John Ericsson, the inventor, on the capitol grounds at Des Moines.

At a meeting of the Pioneer Club of Des Moines early in January a resolution was adopted asking the Executive Council to erect on the capitol grounds a suitable monument to the memory of the late General Grenville M. Dodge. The election of officers resulted in the choice of George B. Hippee as president, William Lowry as vice president, and Craig T. Wright as secretary-treasurer.

On January 11, 1916, at Toledo, Iowa, occurred the death of Centenary B. Bradshaw, who from 1907 to 1914 was judge of the Seventeenth Judicial District, composed of Marshall, Tama, and Benton counties. He was born in Ohio, but moved to Iowa during his youth and received his education at Cornell College, being in attendance at that institution at the outbreak of the Civil War, in which he served for more than three years.

The program for the third annual municipal day held at the State University of Iowa on March 28th under the auspices of the Extension Department included addresses and discussions by Professor Charles E. Merriam of the University of Chicago; Mr. J. M. Switzer of Dayton, Ohio; Professor A. R. Hatton of Western Re-



serve University; Mr. O. K. Patton of the State University of Iowa; Mr. H. B. Vollmer of Webster City; and Mr. E. L. Marriage of Iowa Falls.

#### OLIVER PERRY SHIRAS

Oliver Perry Shiras, who died in Florida on January 7, 1916, was often referred to as the most distinguished citizen of Dubuque, Iowa, in which city he resided for nearly sixty years.

Judge Shiras was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on October 22, 1833. After attending the public schools of Pittsburgh he continued his studies at the original Ohio University, and in the law school of Yale University. Turning to the West in 1856 for a promising location in which to enter upon the practice of the law, he investigated the prospects in Indianapolis, Chicago, and St. Paul, with the result that he practically decided to locate in Chicago. But by mere chance he visited friends at Dubuque on his return journey from St. Paul to Chicago, and finding conditions there attractive he decided to make Dubuque his home. He was a member of the staff of General F. J. Herron during the Civil War. It was in 1882 that he was appointed United States Judge for the Northern District of Iowa, and he continued to serve, with distinguished ability, in that capacity until 1903, when he retired.

#### HENRY WALLACE

On February 22, 1916, at Des Moines, occurred the death of Henry Wallace, one of Iowa's best loved and most widely known citizens.

Henry Wallace was born near West Newton, Pennsylvania, in 1836. His collegiate education was received at Geneva Hall and Jefferson College, and after his graduation from the latter institution he taught school for a time in Kentucky. Later, however, he attended two different theological seminaries and in 1862 entered the ministry of the United Presbyterian Church. One year afterward he came to Iowa and was pastor of various churches in this State until 1878, when he was forced to abandon the ministry on account of ill health.

He now took up his abode at Winterset and at the same time pur-



chased a farm in Adair County, in the management of which his health was restored. During this period he became interested in journalism and acquired a part interest in a newspaper at Winterset. From 1883 to 1895 he was connected with the *Iowa Homestead* at Des Moines. Retiring from that paper, in partnership with his sons he established *Wallace's Farmer* in 1897. Throughout the long period of his editorial labors he was always alert to promote the interests and protect the rights of the farmers of Iowa, who owe much to his efforts. His election to the National Conservation Congress, and his appointment by President Roosevelt as a member of the Country Life Commission were honors which indicated the high esteem in which he was held throughout the country.

## WILLIAM PETERS HEPBURN

William Peters Hepburn was born at Wellsville, Ohio, on November 4, 1833. When he was eight years of age the family moved to the Territory of Iowa and settled on a frontier claim not far from Iowa City, then the capital of the Territory. He was for a time a student in the institution known as Mechanics' Academy. Later he became a printer's apprentice in the office of the *Iowa City Republican*. After three years he took up the study of law in the office of William Penn Clarke and was admitted to the bar in 1854. He was married to Miss Malvinia A. Morseman in 1855 and in the following year moved to Marshalltown, where he soon became prosecuting attorney of Marshall County.

Mr. Hepburn served as clerk of the House of Representatives during the last session of the General Assembly held at Iowa City and the first session held at Des Moines. He was elected district attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District in 1858 and held that position until he resigned at the outbreak of the Civil War to enter the army. In the meantime he was a delegate from Iowa to the Republican National Convention in 1860. Beginning as captain of Company B, Second Iowa Infantry, he was successively promoted to the rank of major and lieutenant colonel.

After the close of the war Mr. Hepburn moved to Clarinda, Iowa, which remained his home until the time of his death. Here he took



an active interest in politics, and in 1880 was elected Congressman from the eighth district. With the exception of three terms, from 1887 to 1893, he served continuously in this position until 1909, when he was defeated for election to the Sixty-first Congress by William D. Jamieson. During this time he established for himself a firm place in the respect of his colleagues and in the confidence of his constituents. He was especially noted for his abilities as an orator and debater. He died at Clarinda on February 7, 1916.



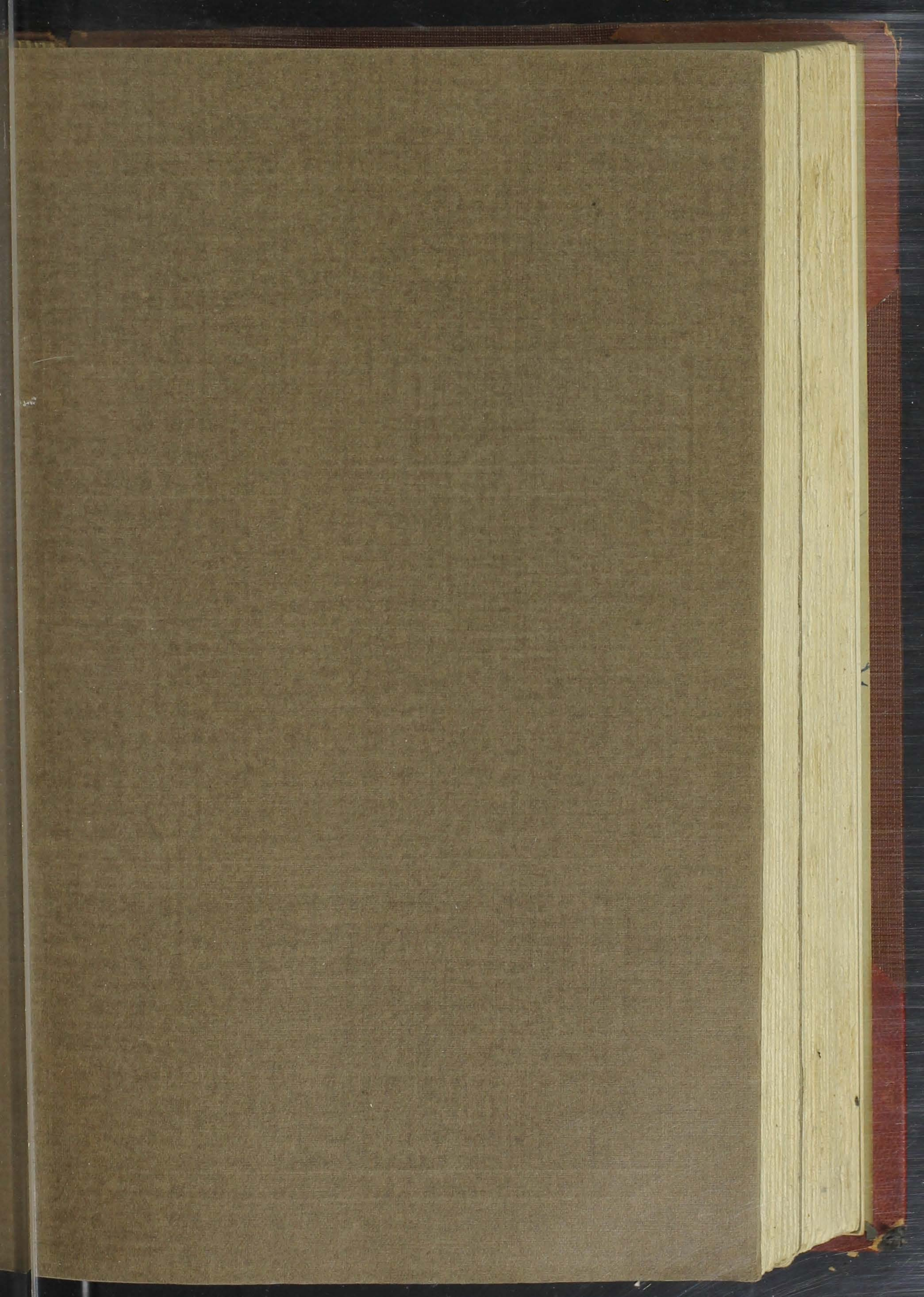
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