

## SOME PUBLICATIONS

*Recollections and Sketches of Notable Lawyers and Public Men of Early Iowa.* By EDWARD H. STILES. Des Moines: The Homestead Publishing Co. 1916. Pp. 988. Portraits. This large volume is one of the most important contributions to the literature of Iowa history which has appeared in recent years. The author came to Iowa in 1856 and entered upon the practice of law at a period when a great many of the men who later became the leading jurists and statesmen of Iowa were building the foundations of their reputations. He was a member of the lower house of the Tenth General Assembly and a member of the Senate at the succeeding session. In 1867 he became Supreme Court Reporter and served in that capacity for eight years. Furthermore, he was the author of a digest of the decisions of the Supreme Court from Territorial times down to the fifty-sixth volume of the reports. He therefore had abundant opportunity to become personally acquainted with the lawyers and public men of his time.

The book contains biographical sketches of varying length of fully six hundred Iowa men, most of whom were leaders in their communities and in the State. Even to enumerate the names of the men thus included would be impossible in this connection. It is sufficient to say that anyone wishing data concerning the prominent Iowans during the period covered would not consult this book in vain. The author has not depended upon his own memory or knowledge, but has spent many years in the collection of data with a view to securing all the facts and to producing an accurate record. At the same time charm and color and particular value are given to a large number of the sketches by means of anecdotes, descriptions, and characteristic incidents or statements gleaned from the personal recollections of the author.

Works of this kind are rare in Iowa. Mr. Stiles has rendered a service which can scarcely be over-estimated, and it is to be hoped

that other men who have lived long in this State will be inspired to follow his example.

*Iowa Stories: Book One.* By CLARENCE RAY AURNER. Iowa City: Published by the author. 1917. Pp. 138. Plates, maps. This is a book of true stories of Iowa history, written primarily with view to its use as supplementary reading in the grade schools of the State. Iowa has been somewhat behind neighboring States in the introduction of instruction in local history into the public schools. The need has been felt more and more strongly in recent years, and this little book should receive a warm welcome from the many teachers who have long desired something of this kind.

The book contains twenty-seven stories dealing with the first roads of Iowa, the roads of the white man, how one road was marked, other early roads, crossing the streams, the pioneers, the tumbleweed frolic, prairie fires, winter storms, a journey to Iowa, pushing the Indians out of Iowa, getting an Iowa farm, the first houses, the food in the log cabin, the simple machines of the new home, good neighbors, a better house, the first family industries, early flouring mills, saw mills, woolen mills, living on game, an Indian uses his eyes, the stage and mail coach in Iowa, Wapsie-Pinicon, the first schools in Iowa, and seeing, hearing, and reading. The stories are told in a simple, interesting style, and numerous illustrations help to visualize many of the subjects under discussion.

*Downing's Civil War Diary.* By SERGEANT ALEXANDER G. DOWNING, Company E, Eleventh Iowa Infantry. Edited by OLYNTHUS B. CLARK, Ph. D. Des Moines: The Historical Department of Iowa. 1916. Pp. vi, 325. Portraits, plates. In his preface the editor states very clearly that the diary as published in this volume "is not a verbatim reproduction of the original text." Neither is it a copy of a revision of the diary made by the author and completed in 1914. It is a combination of the original diary and the author's revision, together with such emendations and alterations as were deemed desirable by the editor, all of which were approved by the author. "This printed edition then," says Professor Clark, "lays no claim to being what it is not, the publication of the original text without change. It is an edited edition which retains to

the fullest possible degree the original in the essentials of fact and spirit." It must be conceded that the carrying out of this policy has resulted in a volume which is not only more readable but of greater value than would have been produced by a mere literal transcription of the original diary.

Some idea of the contents of the diary and of the battles and campaigns witnessed by the author can be gained from a list of the headings given to the various chapters into which the work is divided, namely: enlisting in the United States service; in Camp McClellan; the mobilization at Benton Barracks; in winter quarters and garrison duty; mobilization at Pittsburg Landing and the battle of Shiloh; the battles in and around Corinth; on guard at Bolivar, Tennessee; the battles of Iuka and Corinth; the campaign around Holly Springs and retreat to Lafayette; the Vicksburg campaign; the campaign against Jackson, Mississippi; on guard at Vicksburg and the fruitless expedition to Monroe, Louisiana; a siege of fever and ague; reënlisting as veterans; the expedition to Meridian; home on veteran's furlough; mobilization at Cairo; the battles around Atlanta; in the hospital at Rome, Georgia; rejoining the eleventh Iowa at Atlanta; marching through Georgia; raid through South Carolina; march through North Carolina; the last campaign; peaceful march through Virginia and the grand review at Washington; the mustering out and return to the harvest field.

This volume is a welcome addition to Civil War literature. Diaries of this kind, giving a first-hand, personal view from the standpoint of the soldier in the ranks, are all too rare. Those concerned in the preparation and publication of this diary have rendered a service to all students of the military history of Iowa.

*The Mississippi Valley in British Politics.* By CLARENCE WALWORTH ALVORD. Two volumes. Cleveland: The Arthur H. Clark Company. 1917. Pp. 358, 396. Maps. This scholarly work by Professor Alvord is not only the result of painstaking research covering a long period of time, but it blazes a new path into a virtually unknown field of knowledge concerning the early history of the West. Right at the outset the author hurls his defiance at the orthodox view of the Revolutionary period. "Within these pages",

he says, "the stereotyped narrative of events preceding the American Revolution is not to be found. To seek the material for a history of the period wholly outside that consecrated circle which encloses such important and portentous events as the Boston massacre and the famous tea-party must appear to the general reader to be in itself revolutionary. . . . Yet while I am writing the preface, . . . let me forget for a moment my critic and boldly assert that whenever the British ministers soberly and seriously discussed the American problem, the vital phase to them was not the disturbances of the 'madding crowd' of Boston and New York but the development of that vast transmontane region that was acquired in 1763 by the Treaty of Paris."

This attitude the author proceeds to justify in the pages of the two volumes which, as the title indicates, deal not with events in the West itself but with movements and discussions in England which centered in the vital problem of the policy to be followed with regard to the Mississippi Valley. In the first volume Professor Alvord treats of government by factions, the treaty of peace in 1763, the beginning of western speculation, the earlier western colonial policy of Great Britain, the choice of the man, the formation of the policy, the proclamation of October 7, 1763, the organization of the Indian Department, the plans of the old Whigs, the Chatham ministry, Indian management and western trade, and Lord Shelburne's western policy. Continuing the narrative, volume two deals with the Bedford alliance and its results, the new policy in the far West, the Indian boundary line, plans for the upper Ohio Valley, politics and the colony of Vandalia, ministerial delays and official inefficiency, the breakdown of the ministerial policy, and the final western policy. A special bibliography, a general bibliography, and an excellent index complete the work.

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The *Thirty-first Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology* is chiefly devoted to an extensive study of *Tsimshian Mythology*, by Franz Boas.

In *The Yale Review* for January, among others there are the following articles: *A Progressive's View of the Election*, by Walter Lippmann; *Women in the Campaign*, by Frances A. Kellor; *The Railroads and the People*, by James O. Fagan; and *The Adamson Law*, by Edwin J. Clapp.

The *Thirteenth Annual Report* of the Library Board of the Virginia State Library contains a *List of the Colonial Soldiers of Virginia*, compiled by H. J. Eckenrode.

The December number of *The American Labor Legislation Review* is devoted to health insurance, irregularity of employment, and protective legislation in the interest of women in industry. Health insurance is also the general topic discussed in numerous papers in the March number, where there are also several articles dealing with working hours in continuous industries.

The New York Public Library has issued a pamphlet by Edmund Lester Pearson, dealing with various phases of *Book-Reviews*, which is well worth reading.

*A Reserve Army*, by John F. Morrison; *Front and Rear of the Battle-line at Waterloo*, by J. Von Pflugk-Harttung; and *Our Preparations for the War with Mexico, 1846-1848*, by Justin H. Smith, are articles in the January number of *The Military Historian and Economist*.

The January number of the *Smith College Studies in History* is devoted to *Correspondence of George Bancroft and Jared Sparks*, edited by John Spencer Bassett.

The *Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada* for September, 1916, contains, among others, the following articles: *La Prevote de Quebec*, by Pierre-Georges Roy; *Les Metamorphoses dans les Contes Populaires Canadiens*, by C. Marius Barbeau; *The Contest for the Command of Lake Ontario in 1812 and 1813*, by E. A. Cruikshank; and *Thucydides and History*, by Maurice Hutton.

A recent number of the *Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science* consists of a monograph by James

Miller Leake on *The Virginia Committee System and the American Revolution*.

*Slavery and the Slave Trade in Africa*, by Jerome Dowd; *The Negro in the Field of Invention*, by Henry E. Baker; *Anthony Benezet*, by C. G. Woodson; part two of a study of *People of Color in Louisiana*, by Alice Dunbar-Nelson; and *Notes on Connecticut as a Slave State* are articles in the January number of *The Journal of Negro History*.

Among the contributions in the February number of *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* is an article by Ellsworth Huntington on *Climatic Change and Agricultural Exhaustion as Elements in the Fall of Rome*.

*A Chapter from the Doniphan Expedition of 1847*, taken from a book written in 1847 by John T. Hughes, a member of the expedition, is to be found in the January number of the *Journal of the United States Cavalry Association*. Other articles are: *The Cavalry Fight at Ojos Azules*, by S. M. Williams; *Cavalry Work of the Punitive Expedition*, by George S. Patton; *The Cavalry Fight at Carrizal*, by Lewis S. Morey; and *Reveries of an Old Field Officer*.

*Problems of Race Assimilation in America, with Special Reference to the American Indians*, by Arthur C. Parker; *A Year's Experience in Community Service Work Among the Ute Tribe of Indians*, by Gertrude Bonnin; *Indiana and Prohibition*, by Dorcas J. Spencer; *The Indian Service — An Opportunity*, by Flora Warren Seymour; *Indian Citizenship*, by Theodore Roosevelt; and *The American Army's Debt to the Indian*, by W. O. M'Geehan, are articles in the October-December number of *The American Indian Magazine*.

Among the contributions to be found in the January-March number of *The Journal of American History* are the following: *The Old Days of the Washington Navy Yard*, by Edmund Walters Bonaffon; *A Young Lady's Sprightly Account of Washington's Visit to Lexington in 1789*, contributed by Wright Tarbell; *Florida under the English Flag, 1763-1783*, by Helen B. Tingley; *Was Adrian Scrope*,

*the Regicide, Ancestor of the American Throop Family?*, by Mabel T. R. Washburn; and *The Declaration of Independence, its Principle and its Power*, by L. Bradford Prince.

*The Proceedings of the Academy of Political Science in the City of New York* for January contains numerous papers relating to the general subject of *Labor Disputes and Public Service Corporations*. The papers are grouped under four sub-topics: governmental mediation and arbitration, trade unions and compulsory arbitration, trade unions and mediation and conciliation, and recent aspects of labor disputes.

*American Diplomacy in the European War*, by Munroe Smith; two discussions of the constitutionality of the *Federal Child-Labor Law*, by Henry Hull and Thomas I. Parkinson; *The Trainmen's Eight-hour Day*, by Edwin Clyde Robbins; *The Constitutional Aspects of the "Parson's Cause"*, by Arthur P. Scott; *New Light on the Monroe Doctrine*, by William R. Shepherd; and *McKinley and Foraker*, by Benjamin B. Kendrick, are articles in the December number of the *Political Science Quarterly*.

The interesting address on *The Scientific Spirit in Politics* delivered by Jesse Macy as president of the American Political Science Association at Cincinnati in December occupies the opening pages in *The American Political Science Review* for February. *Pan-Turanism* is the subject of a paper by T. Lathrop Stoddard. Very timely is a discussion of *The Control of Foreign Relations*, by Denys P. Myers. A historical and descriptive account of *The Department of the Navy* is presented by Robert W. Neeser. Some *Obstacles to Municipal Progress* are pointed out by Henry T. Hunt. The "Legislative Notes and Reviews", conducted by John A. Lapp, contain notes on the powers of the Lieutenant-Governor, direct legislation in 1916, constitutional conventions, State budget systems, economy and efficiency, and absent voting.

Practically all of the articles in *The South Atlantic Quarterly* for January have a general historical character and interest. Among others, there are the following articles: *Recollections of my Plantation Teachers*, by Philip Alexander Bruce; *Education and*

*Crime among Negroes*, by Gilbert T. Stephenson; *Liberalism*, by James Hardy Dillard; *Arthur Dobbs of Castle Dobbs and Carolina*, by A. J. Morrison; *Federal and State Regulation of Child Labor*, by Harry Tucker; *Stonewall Jackson: The Christian Warrior*, by Daniel B. Lucas; and *The Relief of Soldier's Families in North Carolina During the Civil War*, by Clyde Olin Fisher.

*The Present Labor Situation* is the main 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 seven parts. Part one deals with certain aspects of the labor situation; part two with wages, working conditions, and hours of labor; part three with public employment bureaus; part four with some aspects of collective bargaining; part five with compulsory arbitration or investigation before strikes or lockouts; part six with voluntary arbitration and conciliation in private businesses; and part seven with the fixing of hours and wages in the railroads and other public utilities. The March number of the *Annals* is devoted to some *Modern Insurance Problems*, the main sub-topics being life insurance; fire insurance; and accident and health, and workmen's compensation insurance.

*War and Peace in the Light of History*, by Carl C. Eckhardt; *Pictorial Documents as Illustrating American History*, by Frank Weitenkampf; *Some Aspects of Supervised Study in History*, by Robert D. Armstrong; and *Construction for History in the Grades*, by Mary A. Whitney, are articles in the February number of *The History Teacher's Magazine*. In the March number there appear the following papers: *Laboratory Methods of Teaching Contemporary History at Columbia University*, by Parker T. Moon; *Changing Emphasis in European History in the High Schools of California*, by Geroid Robinson; *Newark's 250th Anniversary Celebration: Its Historic Features*, by Daniel C. Knowlton; and *The Relation of the History Curriculum to Vocational Training in the High Schools*, by Wilson P. Shortridge.



## WESTERN AMERICANA

*Indianapolis: An Outline History and Description of the Hoosier Capital* is the title of an illustrated booklet of about sixty pages, published at Indianapolis by Max R. Hyman, as a souvenir of the Indiana Centennial Celebration in that city in October, 1916.

The A. Flanagan Company of Chicago are the publishers of a volume by Irwin F. Mathes, entitled *The Making of Illinois: a History of the State from the Earliest Records to the Present Time*.

Two studies in the *University of California Publications in American Archaeology and Ethnology* which appeared in February are: *Bandelier's Contribution to the Study of Ancient Mexican Social Organization*, by T. T. Waterman; and *Tubatulabal and Kawaiisu Kinship Terms*, by Edward Winslow Gifford.

Number thirty-three of the *Indiana University Studies* consists of a monograph by Frederic H. Guild on *State Supervision and Administration of Charities*.

A sketch of the career of Charles F. Scott appears in *The Graduate Magazine of the University of Kansas* for February. In the March number, under the heading *Our Most Picturesque Fighter*, there is an appreciation of the character and services of the late Major General Frederick Funston.

*Mitigating Rural Isolation*, by John Morris Gillette; *Some Reasons Why North Dakota Should Adopt the Uniform Sales Act*, by Lauriz Vold; *The Next Step Toward Efficiency in Public Health*, by John W. Cox; and *Regulation of Public Utilities*, by Heiskell B. Whaling, are articles in the January number of *The Quarterly Journal of the University of North Dakota*.

Volume five of the *University of California Publications in History* consists of a monograph of four hundred and fifty pages by Herbert Ingram Priestley on *José de Galvez, Visitor-General of New Spain (1765-1771)*. The ten chapters deal with the life of Galvez, the historical background, the administration of New Spain, the origin and character of the general visitation, Galvez and

Cruillas — the tobacco monopoly, customs reforms at Vera Cruz, the expedition of 1767, Galvez in California, Galvez in Sonora, the end of the visitation, and real hacienda and the reforms of Galvez.

*Collection of Nebraska Pioneer Reminiscences* is the title of a handsome and interesting volume issued by the Nebraska Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It is a book of over three hundred and fifty pages containing nearly one hundred brief sketches dealing with the early history of various counties and towns, incidents of frontier life, episodes concerning Indians, and other recollections of the early days in Nebraska, written by men and women who were pioneers or early settlers of Nebraska.

Volume five, number four of the *University of Illinois Studies in the Social Sciences* consists of a monograph on *Mine Taxation in the United States*, by Lewis E. Young. After an introduction the subject is treated under such chapter headings as Federal taxation of mines, mineral lands, and mining corporations; history of mine taxation in the States; constitutional and statutory enactments; methods of taxing mines and mineral lands in the States; systems of mine taxation compared; problems of administration; the tax burden; and suggested methods of taxation and reforms.

The Caxton Club of Chicago has brought out a handsome volume of nearly three hundred pages on *The Development of Chicago 1674-1914 Shown in a Series of Contemporary Original Narratives*, compiled and edited by Milo Milton Quaife. Following an introduction, the book is divided into four parts dealing with events on the site of Chicago during the seventeenth century, Chicago as a military outpost, the birth of modern Chicago, and the development of the city as a metropolis. The story is told by means of selections from letters and journals of such explorers, officers, and travelers as Father Marquette, Joutel, William Johnston, Lewis Cass, Stephen H. Long, Harriet Martineau, Joseph Jefferson, Fredrika Bremer, and Arnold Bennett.

## IOWANA

Installments of *A Study of School Surveys*, by Raymond E. Mendenhall, which is historical in character, appear in *Midland Schools* in January, February, and March.

*An Experience with Outlaws*, by Eleanore Montgomery; and *Back in Old Plano*, by F. G. Pitt, are two articles in the January number of *Autumn Leaves*. A discussion of *Abraham Lincoln and his Work*, by Henry A. Stebbins, is begun in the March number.

*A Brief History of Track Athletics at Grinnell*, by C. E. Fisher, is to be found in the January number of *The Grinnell Review*.

*The Iowa Alumnus* for January opens with an article by C. S. Chase entitled *A Distinguished Alumnus — Senator Eli C. Perkins*. An account of the celebration of Foundation Day at the State University on February 26th is contained in the March number.

Among the articles in *American Municipalities* for January is one on *Public Utilities and City Finances*, by John F. Ford. *Municipalities and the State* is the subject discussed by Ora Williams in the February number. In March, among other things, George C. Warren presents a brief *History of Guarantees of Pavement*.

Among other articles, there is a *Historical Sketch of the Engineering Library*, by Caroline E. Laird, in the February number of *The Iowa Engineer*.

*Good Roads and Community Life in Iowa* is the title of a study by John E. Brindley and John S. Dodds, which constitutes a bulletin of the Engineering Experiment Station at Ames published in January.

*The Mormons*, by Alexander Majors; some *Letters of Bishop George Miller*; and an excellent though unsigned article on *Pioneer Trails Across Iowa* are contributions in the January number of the *Journal of History* published at Lamoni, Iowa, by the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. There is also a continuation of the biographies of the *Presidents of the Seventy*.

The March number of the *Iowa Law Bulletin* contains an article of sixty pages on *The Uniform Sales Act and its Effect upon the Iowa Decisions and Statutes*, by H. C. Horack.

In the March number of *The Iowa Churchman* there appear appreciations of the late Jenness J. Richardson, who for nearly sixty years was connected with the *Davenport Democrat* and for many years its editor.

Under the title of *Barbed Wire and Other Poems*, Edwin Ford Piper contributes to *The Midland: A Magazine of the Middle West* for January, February, and March a series of poems based upon incidents in the lives of the early settlers on the prairies of this western country. In the February number appear some Indian legends related by Nelson A. Crawford under the heading of *The Golden Dawn Time*.

*Potowonok: An Historical Sketch of Fort Madison, in Verse*, by Earle Sloan Smith, is an interesting bit of Iowana which appeared in November, 1916, from the press of *The Evening Democrat* at Fort Madison.

*The Iowa Magazine* is a new periodical published at Davenport by the Greater Iowa Association. Its purpose is to give publicity to the advantages and resources of this State, and to promote the prosperity of its people. In the January number the work of the Greater Iowa Association is described; the legislative program confronting the Thirty-seventh General Assembly is outlined by Ora Williams; and there is a brief sketch of the career of Theodore N. Vail, who lived for a time during his boyhood in Blackhawk County. In the February-March number Albert E. Jackson presents an account of the Indians in Tama County; *Pending Labor Legislation: Chase Bill 3*, is discussed by Nathaniel French; *State Regulation of all Fire Insurance* is the subject of an article by Emory H. English; and there is a biographical sketch of George M. Reynolds, the well-known Chicago banker, who was born and raised in Guthrie County.

*Teaching Patriotism*, by A. R. McCook; *The Ups and Downs of a School-master*, by E. V. Laughlin; and *A Sketch of an Old Log*

*School House Boy*, by Tacitus Hussey, are among the articles in the January number of *The Educational Digest* published at Anamosa. The article by Mr. Laughlin is continued in the February number, where may also be found the following contributions: *Lincoln, our First American*, by C. A. Beems; *Dramatizing the Civics Course*, by Harry A. Gillis; and *Lenox College, the Old and the New*, by Arthur H. McKechnie. Articles which appear in March are: *The Old Flag — A Reminiscence*, by Tacitus Hussey; *Old Denmark Academy*, by John Barnes; *War and Romance in Early Iowa*, a poem on Fort Madison, by Earle Sloan Smith; and a historical account of the *Iowa State Teachers' Association*, by Homer H. Seerley.

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## HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

### PUBLICATIONS

*Bulletin No. 1*, recently issued by the State Historical Society of North Dakota, contains an illustrated description of the museum and library of the Society at Bismarek.

The Rhode Island Historical Society has published a unique little booklet entitled *Westminster Street, Providence, as it Was About 1824*, and containing a number of cuts from drawings made by Francis Read, which have recently been presented to the Society.

In the September-December number of the *German American Annals* there appear the following articles: *The General Swiss Colonization Society*, by Preston A. Barba; *Kiefer Freundschaft-album*, by W. W. Florer; and *Deutsche Charakterbilder aus der Brasilianischen Geschichte*, by Friedrich Sommer.

A short article on *Daniel Boone at Limestone, 1786-1787*, by David I. Bushnell, Jr., appears in the January number of *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*.

*Bulletin of Information*, Nos. 85 and 86, published by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, contain, respectively, a list of the portraits and paintings in the Wisconsin Historical Museum; and a list of the periodicals and newspapers received currently by the Society, corrected to January 1, 1917.

Some *Letters of John Rutledge*, annotated by Joseph W. Barnwell; and another installment of the *Order Book of John Faucheraud Grimké* are among the contents of *The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine* for October, 1916.

The January number of *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* is largely given over to a study of *The Life and Services of Samuel Whitaker Pennypacker*, by Hampton L. Carson.

An appendix contains a bibliography of the writings and addresses of Governor Pennypacker.

In October and January there appeared the first two numbers of a publication entitled *Manuscripts from the Burton Historical Collection*, collected and published by Clarence M. Burton, and edited by M. Agnes Burton. The publications are filled with letters and short documents scattered over the period from 1762 to 1805 and bearing on the history of Michigan and the Old Northwest. There are letters from or to Sir William Johnson, Nathaniel Greene, Guy Carlton, William Henry Harrison, Henry Dearborn, Pierre Chouteau, and many others.

*Bulletin No. 8* published by the Michigan Historical Commission contains four prize essays written by pupils of Michigan schools in the local history contest for 1915-16. These essays deal with the early history of Three Rivers, Manistee, Cadillac, and Traverse City.

An interesting volume recently published in the *Indiana Historical Collections* by the Indiana Historical Commission is one of about six hundred pages entitled *Indiana as Seen by Early Travelers*. It contains a collection of reprints from books of travel, letters, and diaries written prior to 1830, selected and edited by Harlow Lindley. Among the travelers from whose writings these selections were made are George Imlay, Thomas Ashe, John Bradbury, Morris Birkbeck, William Darby, John Melish, William Pelham, Timothy Flint, Caleb Atwater, and others.

*Charles George Herbermann*, by Peter Condon; the concluding installment of *The Sulpicians in the United States*, by Charles G. Herbermann; *Reverend Charles Hyppolite de Luynes, S. J.*, by the same author; and *Edward Maria Wingfield*, by Edward J. McGuire, are articles in volume ten of the *Historical Records and Studies* published by the United States Catholic Historical Society.

Volumes forty-seven and forty-eight of the *Collections of the New York Historical Society* contain muster and pay rolls of the War of the Revolution, 1775-1783. Volume forty-nine "contains the

proceedings of a Board of General Officers of the British Army at New York, appointed by Sir Henry Clinton, August 7, 1781, to consider the expenditure of public money in the different departments established by him when he succeeded to the command of the British Army at New York."

In *The Missouri Historical Review* for October, 1916, appear some *Letters of Carl Schurz, B. Gratz Brown, James S. Rollins, G. G. Vest* and other Missourians, from the private papers and correspondence of Senator James R. Doolittle, of Wisconsin, contributed by Duane Mowry. Then follow the program of the convention of the Missouri Centennial Committee of One Thousand; a list of the members of the committee; an address to the people of Missouri concerning the proposed celebration, by Walter B. Stevens; and an article entitled *Howard County has two Centennial Celebrations*, by Walter Ridgway.

The essay on *The Leveller Movement: A Study in the History and Political Theory of the English Great Civil War*, by Theodore Calvin Pease, which received the Herbert Baxter Adams Prize in European History for 1915, has been published in book form by the American Historical Association. It makes a volume of over four hundred pages.

Four bulletins issued by the Indiana Historical Commission in November and December contain an outline of the church history of Indiana; suggestions for the organization of county and local historical societies; the report of the Commission from its organization in April, 1915, to December 1, 1916; and the proceedings of the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the admission of Indiana into the Union held at the State House in Indianapolis on December 11, 1916.

The *Twentieth Biennial Report* of the Board of Directors of the Kansas State Historical Society, for the period from July 1, 1914, to June 30, 1916, contains, in addition to the report, the proceedings of the annual meetings of the Society in 1915 and 1916, and a comprehensive *History of Kansas Newspapers*, compiled by William E. Connelley.

The Indiana Historical Commission has published and distributed a handsome little volume entitled *The Indiana Medal Commemorating the Completion of a Century of Statehood 1816-1916*. First there is the story of the medal, which was made by Janet Scudder. Then there are brief chapters dealing with the beginnings of the State, milestones of the century, the Indiana centennial, and the growth of Indiana. Finally, there is a bronze replica of the medal itself, imbedded in a sheet of heavy cardboard.

*Grant County Indian Remains* are described by Charles E. Brown and Albert O. Barton in the December number of *The Wisconsin Archeologist*. Other articles are: *Cassville Mounds and Sites*, by Charles E. Brown and Leopold E. Drexel; *A Copper Banner Stone*, by W. A. Titus; and *The Koshkonong Pilgrimage*, by Charles E. Brown.

The *Historical Collections of the Essex Institute* for January opens with another installment of Francis B. C. Bradlee's article on *The Eastern Railroad: A Historical Account of Early Railroad-ing in Eastern New England*. Other contributions are a continuation of Alfred Poore's description of *A Genealogical-Historical Visitation of Andover, Mass., in the Year 1863*; and a short account of *The Chase of the Frigate Constitution*, by Nathaniel Silsbee.

*Tract No. 96*, published by the Western Reserve Historical Society is a volume of over two hundred and thirty pages, about one-fourth of which is taken up with the annual report of the Society for 1915-1916. The remainder of the volume is devoted to a monograph on *The Connecticut Land Company: A Study in the Beginnings of Colonization of the Western Reserve*, by Claude L. Shepard, together with a large number of accompanying documents.

*The Annual Publications of the Historical Society of Southern California* for 1915-1916 is a book of one hundred and thirty pages, containing numerous short papers and addresses. Among those of the most general interest are: *Aspects of the Study of History*, by Rockwell D. Hunt; *Thirty-three Years of History Activities*, by N. M. Guinn; *The Passing of the Rancho*, by J. M. Guinn; *The Great Los Angeles Real Estate Boom of 1887*, by Joseph Netz;



*California's First American School and its Teacher*, by Mary M. Bowman; and *John Bidwell's Arrival in California*, by Robert G. Cleland.

Among the papers in number twenty-five of the *Publications of the American Jewish Historical Society* are the following: *David L. Yules, Florida's First Senator*, by Leon Hühner; *An Unfamiliar Aspect of Anglo-Jewish History*, by Frank I. Schechter; and *Unequal Religious Rights in Maryland Since 1776*, by Benjamin H. Hartogenesis.

Three articles appear in the *Tennessee Historical Magazine* for December, namely: *Fort Prudhomme: Was it the First Settlement in Tennessee?*, by J. P. Young; *Tennessee: A Discussion on the Sources of its Population and the Lines of Immigration*, by Stephen B. Weeks; and *John Bell's Revolt, and his Vauxhall Garden Speech*, by Albert V. Goodpasture. The documents printed in this issue include some *Letters of General John Coffee to His Wife, 1813-1815*, with introduction and notes by John H. De Witt; and the *Roll of Tennessee Cavalrymen in the Natchez Expedition*.

*The Origin of the Iroquois as Suggested by their Archaeology*, by Arthur C. Parker; *The Characteristics of Iroquoian Village Sites of Western New York*, by Frederick Houghton; *Animal Figures on Prehistoric Pottery from Mimbres Valley, New Mexico*, by J. Walter Fewkes; and *Indian Trap Pits along the Missouri*, by A. Hrdlicka, are articles in the October-December number of the *American Anthropologist*. There are also brief biographical sketches of Matilda Coxe Stevenson and James Stevenson, by W. H. Holmes.

*Southern Railroads and Western Trade, 1840-1850*, by R. S. Cotterill, is the opening contribution in *The Mississippi Valley Historical Review* for March. Roy Gittinger is the author of a paper on *The Separation of Nebraska and Kansas from the Indian Territory*. A discussion of *The Indian Policy of Spain in the Southwest 1783-1795* is presented by Jane M. Berry. A survey of *Recent Historical Activities in the South and Trans-Mississippi Southwest* is the work of Donald L. McMurry. Brief notes concerning the first council of the American city of Baton Rouge, and the state of af-

fairs at Post St. Vincent in the summer of 1786 are contributed by Archibald Henderson.

In March there appeared the first number of a new periodical known as *The Georgia Historical Quarterly*, published by the Georgia Historical Society at Savannah. The aims and purposes of the magazine are set forth in a brief introduction by Joseph B. Cumming. Among the articles in this number are: *The Georgia Historical Society*, by William Harden; *Telfair Academy of Arts*, by Alexander R. Lawton; *Basil Cowper's Remarkable Career in Georgia*, by William Harden; and *Wilkes County, its Place in Georgia History*, by Otis Ashmore. Of interest, also, are some newspaper extracts relating to *The Beginning of Cotton Cultivation in Georgia*.

A lengthy article on *Joseph Badger, the First Missionary to the Western Reserve*, by Byron R. Long, is given first place in the January number of the *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly*. Next comes a *Memoir of Antoine Laforge*, translated from the French by Laurence J. Kenny. Other contributions are: *The Coon-skin Library*, by Sarah J. Cutler; *Flat Boating on the Ohio River*, by Isaac F. King; *Silver Mines of Ohio Indians*, by R. S. King; and *Birth Places of Three Ohio Presidents*, by Felix J. Koch. This number also contains the reports and proceedings of the thirty-first annual meeting of the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society, and the proceedings at the unveiling of the Cresap tablet in Logan Elm Park in October, 1916.

*The Southwestern Historical Quarterly* for January opens with the first installment of a study of the *Diplomatic Relations Between France and the Republic of Texas, 1836-1845*, by Herbert Rook Edwards. The two chapters here printed deal with the negotiations for recognition and for a commercial treaty, and loan negotiations. Thomas Maitland Marshall is the writer of a paper on *Commercial Aspects of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition*. Two brief biographical sketches of *Governor George Thomas Wood* are written by S. H. German and Louella Styles Vincent. Finally, there is another installment of *British Correspondence Concerning Texas*, edited by Ephraim Douglass Adams.

An address on *Abraham Lincoln*, by Edward F. Dunne, appears in the opening pages of the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* for April, 1916. *A Modern Knight Errant — Edward Dickinson Baker*, by James H. Matheny; and *A Journey from Urbana, Illinois, to Cooke County, Texas, in the Spring of 1846*, by William R. Strong, are other contributions. Among the articles in the July number are the following: *Slavery or Involuntary Servitude in Illinois Prior to and after its Admission as a State*, by O. W. Aldrich; *Early Presbyterianism in East Central Illinois*, by Ira W. Allen; *The Two Michael Joneses*, by Frances H. Relf; *Mary Spears*, contributed by James B. Beekman; and *Old Trails of Hancock County*, by Herbert S. Salisbury.

*Constitution Making in Indiana: A Source Book of Constitutional Documents*, with historical introduction and critical notes by Charles Kettleborough, is a two-volume work published by the Indiana Historical Commission. The historical introduction occupies about two hundred and forty pages of the first volume. The documentary material which fills the remainder of the book is divided into four parts devoted, respectively, to the cession of the Northwest Territory and the organization and development of Territorial government, the organization and development of a constitutional government, the amendment of the Constitution of 1816, and the constitutional convention of 1850. Part five, occupying the whole of the second volume, contains material bearing on the amendment of the Constitution of 1851. The two volumes contain in all five hundred and thirty-nine documents.

Dorothy Hull is the author of an interesting article on *The Movement in Oregon for the Establishment of a Pacific Coast Republic*, which occupies the opening pages in *The Quarterly of the Oregon Historical Society* for September. While this movement had the support of only a small minority it forms an interesting chapter in the history of secessionist proposals in the United States. Another article of general interest is one by Leslie M. Scott on *Oregon's Nomination of Lincoln*. The remaining pages of the *Quarterly* are taken up with documentary material. First, there is a letter from *Doctor John McLoughlin to Sir George Simpson, March 20, 1844*,

with an introductory note by Katharine B. Judson; and afterwards there appear installments of the *Diary of Reverend Jason Lee*, and of the *Correspondence of the Reverend Ezra Fisher*.

*The American Historical Review* for January opens with the very readable presidential address on *The Freedom of History* delivered by George L. Burr at the Cincinnati meeting of the American Historical Association in December. *The West India Trade Before the American Revolution* is the subject discussed by Herbert C. Bell. An article on *Censorship and Literature under Napoleon I* is contributed by Victor Coffin. The last article is one by Carl Russell Fish dealing with *Social Relief in the Northwest during the Civil War*. The "Notes and Suggestions" include brief notes on the following topics: the Oxford Meeting of 1213, by Albert Beebe White; ciphers of the Revolutionary period, by Edmund C. Burnett; and the Earl of Carlisle and the Board of Trade, 1779, by Arthur H. Basye. Under the heading of "Documents" appear excerpts from the Senate debate on the Breckenridge Bill for the government of Louisiana in 1804, with introduction and notes by Everett S. Brown. This number of the *Review* also contains a list of doctoral dissertations in progress at the chief American universities in December, 1916.

The January number of *The Washington Historical Quarterly* is intended as a tribute to the pioneers of that State, and the articles which it contains were selected and written with that object in view. In the opening pages Edmond S. Meany presents a brief discussion of *The Pioneer Association of the State of Washington*. Next comes a survey of the *Pioneer and Historical Societies of the State of Washington*, prepared by Victor J. Farrar. Some interesting *Reminiscences of a Pioneer Woman* are contributed by Elizabeth Ann Coonc. The experiences of the *First Immigrants to Cross the Cascades* are described by David Longmire, who was a member of the party. Grace Raymond Hebard contributes a short article on *The First White Women in Wyoming*; and finally, there is a list of *The Pioneer Dead of 1916*, compiled by Edith G. Prosch. There is also a continuation of the *Diary of Colonel and Mrs. I. N. Ebey*, edited by Victor J. Farrar.

Volume one of the *Annual Report of the American Historical Association for the Year 1914* contains the following papers on subjects in American history: *Cabinet Meetings under President Polk*, by Henry Barrett Learned; *Tennessee and National Political Parties, 1850-1860*, by St. George L. Sioussat; *The Genesis of the Kansas-Nebraska Act*, by P. Orman Ray; *Asiatic Trade and the American Occupation of the Pacific Coast*, by Robert G. Cleland. Papers which appear in the proceedings of the eleventh annual conference of historical societies are as follows: *The Chicago Historical Society*, by Otto L. Schmidt; *Research in State History at State Universities*, by James A. Woodburn; and *Restrictions on the Use of Historical Materials*, by Lawrence J. Burpee. Two papers presented before the sixth conference of archivists are: *Legislation for Archives*, by Charles H. Rammelkamp; and *Principles of Classification for Archives*, by Ethel B. Virtue; while Herbert A. Kellar is the compiler of *A Preliminary Survey of the More Important Archives of the Territory and State of Minnesota*.

## ACTIVITIES

At a meeting of the Chicago Historical Society on the evening of April 13th, Professor Olynthus B. Clark of Drake University delivered an address on *The Lincoln Poor White Legend*. A special exhibit of Lincoln relics was shown at this time.

The annual meeting of the Historical Society of Marshall County was held on March 20th. The following officers were elected: J. L. Carney, president; C. F. Schmidt, vice president; Miss Minnie Russell, secretary; Mrs. H. J. Howe, treasurer; and Mrs. May F. Weatherly, curator.

The annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association will be held in Chicago on April 26th to 28th. Part of the session will be held in the Chicago Historical Society building and part in the Newberry Library.

The Jefferson County Historical Society held its regular quarterly meeting at the public library in Fairfield on March 21st. Professor P. C. Hildreth presented an address on the autobiogra-

phy of Black Hawk; Mr. W. G. Ross told of some incidents concerning the massacre of some Iowa Indians by Sacs and Foxes under the leadership of Black Hawk; and Dr. T. L. James discussed the insurrection in Cuba. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: T. L. James, president; Ralph Lamson, vice president; Hiram Heaton, secretary; and C. W. Gage, treasurer.

The Linn County Historical Society, which was organized several years ago, has been inactive in recent years. Interest has lately been revived, however, and the annual meeting was held on March 20th. The opportunities of such an organization in Linn County are large, and it is to be hoped that the Society will go forward energetically and receive the support it deserves.

In January a historical society was organized at Lockridge in the eastern part of Jefferson County. It is understood that this society is not intended to conflict in any way with the county organization which has been so long established and has done such commendable work. It is a purely local society, with Lockridge and vicinity as its particular field. At the organization W. C. Rauscher was chosen president; William Bankhead, vice president; Thomas Doogan, secretary; and Gus Schillerstrom, treasurer. Monthly meetings were held in February and March, at which time interesting and valuable papers were read.

#### THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

Professor Benj. F. Shambaugh, the Superintendent of the Society, was elected first vice president of the American Political Science Association at the annual meeting in December.

The permanent annual support of The State Historical Society of Iowa has been increased four thousand dollars by an act of the Thirty-seventh General Assembly. This increase will enable the Society to continue its work along the lines hitherto established, without curtailment on account of the great rise in the prices of supplies and of the materials used in printing and binding.

Mr. D. G. Edmundson of Des Moines, a member of the Society,

died in Los Angeles, California, on December 31, 1916, at the age of sixty-nine.

Dr. Daniel Sickler of Ogden, Iowa, a member of the Society, has recently made some important additions to his already large collection of Indian relics.

The following persons have recently been elected to membership in the Society: Mr. Edward A. Adams, Algona, Iowa; Mr. Harold K. Bowen, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Dr. D. C. Brockman, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. Robt. N. Carson, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Edward A. Lang, Waverly, Iowa; Mr. Ellis D. Robb, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. John E. Williams, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. A. L. Broxam, Maquoketa, Iowa; Miss Myrtle A. Dungan, Chariton, Iowa; Mr. Fred Durbin, Malvern, Iowa; Mr. G. B. Jennings, Shenandoah, Iowa; Mr. H. N. Lawrence, Magnolia, Iowa; Mr. E. A. McIlree, West Union, Iowa; Mr. Fred S. Risser, Chariton, Iowa; Mr. W. G. Ross, Fairfield, Iowa; Mr. John F. Webber, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. W. S. Cooper, Winterset, Iowa; and Mr. M. L. Gordon, Brooklyn, Iowa.

A Senate concurrent resolution of the Thirty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa, bearing the date of February 8th, provided for the compilation and publication of an *Iowa Manual of Legislative Procedure* under the direction of the Superintendent of The State Historical Society of Iowa. The manual compiled in accordance with this resolution is a book of two hundred and twenty-three pages, of convenient size for slipping into the coat pocket. Two hundred and fifty copies were bound in flexible leather and one thousand copies in paper covers. Over one-half of the book is taken up with a discussion of *Legislative Procedure and Practice in Iowa*, by O. K. Patton, which is an abridgment of his article which appeared in the volume on *Statute Law-making in Iowa*, recently published by the Society. Then come the rules of the Senate and House and the joint rules, compiled by Thomas Watters, Jr., Secretary of the Senate, and W. C. Ramsay, Chief Clerk of the House. An index of about twenty pages was prepared by Dan E. Clark.

## NOTES AND COMMENT

The sixteenth biennial session of the Iowa Pioneer Lawmakers' Association was held at Des Moines on March 14th and 15th.

The calendaring of the manuscripts in the possession of the University of Illinois has been begun under the direction of Dr. Charles H. Lincoln.

The Taylor County Bar Association is making efforts to secure portraits of the judges of the district court, past and present, in the district in which Taylor County is situated, to be hung in the library of the Association.

At the annual meeting of the Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, held in Des Moines in March, it was announced that the coming summer would witness the completion of the marking of the old trail across Iowa from Keokuk to Council Bluffs, made by the Mormons on their western pilgrimage. Five large boulders, on which there will be bronze tablets, will be placed at various points along the route of the old trail.

James H. McConlogue, who was a very active and influential member of the Board of Control of State Institutions, died in Des Moines on February 26th. He was born in Philadelphia in 1856.

Judge A. B. Thornell of the district court of the fifteenth judicial district of Iowa, in the southwestern corner of the State, recently resigned from the position which he has held for a period of thirty years.

The recent finding of an object alleged to be a petrified human foot of large dimensions, in a coal mine at Lehigh, Iowa, calls to mind the famous Cardiff Giant fraud which gave Webster County some notoriety many years ago.

The Iowa branch of the United Press Association, which has



headquarters in Des Moines under the direction of Mr. Sam Freed, is rendering a valuable service in the cause of spreading a knowledge of Iowa history. In the news letter which it sends out each week to the newspapers supplied by it may be found a series of "Little Stories of Iowa". These stories are brief, but they deal in an interesting manner with some phase of the early history of this State, being concerned chiefly with events and movements which have a "human interest". The work thus being done can not be too highly commended.

HORACE EMERSON DEEMER

Justice Horace E. Deemer died at his home in Red Oak on February 26, 1917, after an illness of ten days. He was born at Bourbon, Indiana, on September 24, 1858; and when about eight years of age came to Cedar County, Iowa, with his parents. He entered the collegiate department of the State University of Iowa in 1873, but later transferred to the law department, from which he was graduated in 1879. After practicing law for about seven years, chiefly at Red Oak, he was elected judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District of Iowa in 1886, and continued to occupy that position until 1894. In the latter year he was appointed Justice of the Supreme Court, in which capacity he served with great distinction until the time of his death. He was Chief Justice in 1898, 1904, 1910, and 1915.

Not only was Justice Deemer a jurist of high attainments and broad vision, but his interests extended to many important subjects outside of the court room. He was a member of a large number of associations covering such fields as history, political science, jurisprudence, sociology, and charities and correction. He was a lecturer in the College of Law of the State University for several years and since 1904 was honorary professor of jurisprudence. As an author he made many contributions to legal thought and knowledge. But aside from his work on the bench, no doubt his most enduring and far-reaching service was that in promotion of the historical interests of the State. As a member of the Board of Trustees of the Historical Department of Iowa, he exercised a guiding influence in the establishment and development of that institution. Moreover, he was long a loyal member and valued adviser of The State Historical Society of Iowa.

In the death of Justice Deemer the State of Iowa has lost an eminent member of its judiciary, a citizen of the highest type, and a man held in esteem and affection by a host of friends.

## CHARLES CLINTON NOURSE

Charles Clinton Nourse died at Sierra Madre, California, on December 31, 1916. He was born in Maryland in 1829, and received his education at Transylvania University at Lexington, Kentucky. Coming to Iowa in 1851, he entered upon the practice of law at Keosauqua, and one year later became prosecuting attorney of the county. He was chief clerk of the House of Representatives of the Fifth General Assembly and at the succeeding session was secretary of the Senate. As a delegate to the Republican State Convention in 1856 he helped to organize that party in Iowa, and in 1860 he was a delegate to the Chicago convention which nominated Lincoln. He was Attorney General of Iowa from 1861 to 1865, and at the end of that service was judge of the Fifth Judicial District for one year. His home was in Des Moines for over fifty years, and he was a leading member of the bar of that city and the State. His ability as a public speaker and his genius for organization made him for many years a prominent leader in the Republican party.

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