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BOARD OF CURATORS

OF THE

State Historical Society of Iowa

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To the Governor of the State of Iowa:

Pursuant to the provisions of the law, the Board of Curators of The State Historical Society of Iowa submit herewith their twenty-fifth biennial report.

F. E. HORACK,
Secretary.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH.

The revision of the State Constitution in 1857 seems to have been the event which occasioned the first formal expression of the conviction that the history of Iowa was worthy of preservation. And so, in January, 1857, while the Third Constitutional Convention was revising the constitution of the state in the Old Stone Capitol at Iowa City, the Sixth General Assembly, which was then in session in the same historic building, voted a permanent annual appropriation "for the benefit of a State Historical Society."

To be sure, discussion of the importance and value of such a society had preceded and in a way called forth this action of the General Assembly; but the movement was not fully organized until February 7, 1857, when a constitution for the "State Historical Society of Iowa" was adopted.

According to its original constitution, The State Historical Society of Iowa consisted of members who were admitted upon election of the Society, or by the Board of Curators, and the payment of an "admittance fee" of three dollars. The members of the Society held regular annual meetings at which officers were elected and new members admitted.

The officers of the Society consisted of a "President, six Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and eighteen Curators," who were chosen annually. Article 7, Chapter 4, of the constitution constituted the Curators "the Executive Department of this Association" with "full power to manage its affairs." In April, 1869, a series of "by-laws" was adopted, which, among other things, provided for officers and monthly meetings of the Board of Curators, fixed the quorum thereof, prescribed an order of business, and named six standing committees.

After a lapse of nearly half a century it is interesting to observe the aims and functions of The State Historical Society of Iowa as indicated in chapter three of its constitution of 1857.

This chapter, which is entitled "Object," reads as follows: "The object of this society shall be to collect, embody, arrange and preserve in authentic form a library of books, pamphlets, maps, charts, manuscripts, papers, paintings, statuary and other materials illustrative of the history of Iowa; to rescue from oblivion the memory of its early pioneers; to obtain and preserve narratives of their exploits, perils and hardy adventures; to secure facts and statements relative to the history, genius, progress or decay of our Indian tribes, to exhibit faithfully the antiquities and the past and present resources of the state; and to promote the study of history by lectures, and diffuse and publish information relating to the description and history of Iowa."

At the outset the State seems to have maintained no direct control over the organization and administration of the Society. As time went on, however, the feeling arose that The State Historical Society of Iowa should be brought into closer relations with the State. This was certainly a legitimate demand since the Society existed for public purposes and was supported by State appropriations. Accordingly, the Fourteenth General Assembly passed "An act to reorganize the State Historical Society," which was approved April 23, 1872.

The act of 1872 was for the most part compiled from the provisions of the constitution and by-laws which the Society had previously adopted. Some significant changes were, however, introduced. The Curators were thereafter to hold office for two years, and nine of the eighteen were to be appointed by the Governor of the State. The annual meeting of the Society was to be held "on the Monday preceding the last Wednesday in June of each year." Section five empowered the Board of Curators to "choose annually, or oftener, if need be, a corresponding secretary, recording secretary, a treasurer and a librarian * * * from the members outside of their own number." These officers were to serve as officers both of the Society and of the Board of Curators. A President was likewise chosen by the Curators, but from their own number. He presumably held the same office in the Society. It was further provided by this act that "no officer of the society, or of the board, shall receive any compensation from the state appropriation to the society."

Whatever may have been its legal status prior to 1872, it is certain that by the act of April 23 of that year The State Historical Society of Iowa was made a *State Institution* in the fullest sense of the term. Since 1872 no change of any importance has been made in the organic law of the Society, so that today the Code provisions are substantially those of the act of 1872.

It can hardly be said that The State Historical Society of Iowa was, in its earlier years, liberally supported by the State. The idea seems to have prevailed that the library and collection would somehow grow by voluntary contributions, and that with little or no expense the materials of history would find their way to the storerooms of the Society. By the act of January, 1857, the sum of \$250 was appropriated as a permanent annual allowance. In 1860 this annual allowance was increased to \$500. Twenty years later it was fixed at \$1,000. In 1902 the permanent annual support of the Society was raised to \$2,500. And finally, in 1904, the permanent annual support was increased to \$7,500. In the meantime several special appropriations were voted for the benefit of the Society. The first special appropriation was made in 1868 when, in "An Act in relation to The State Historical Society," \$3,000 annually for two years was appropriated. In 1892 a second special appropriation of \$1,000 for the biennial period was voted. Again, in 1900, the Society received a special appropriation of \$2,000. The last of the special appropriations was made in 1902, and amounted to \$9,500.

In the original act of appropriation, as well as in subsequent statute and code provisions The State Historical Society is referred to as "in connection with and under the auspices of The State University." Precisely what was to be understood by these words was not clearly defined. The expression, however, has never been interpreted to mean that any organic connection existed between the two institutions. The State Historical Society of Iowa remains to this day an independent State institution, whose organization, support, and management are in no way connected with The State University. It is probable that the provisions of the act of 1857 aimed to secure the permanent location of the Society at Iowa City, where it would "be fostered

by the literary and scientific influences of the university.* The only material assistance which has ever been rendered by the University consisted of providing rooms for the Society from 1857 to 1868, and again from 1901 to this day.

II.

ORGANIZATION AND LEGAL STATUS.

The present organization, authority, and legal status of The State Historical Society of Iowa, are based upon the provision of the Code of 1897 (Title XIII, chapter 18, sections 2882-2888, page 975), which reads as follows:—

SECTION 2882. Appropriation—objects. There is annually appropriated for the support of the state historical society at Iowa City, * * * to be expended by that society in collecting, embodying, arranging, and preserving in authentic form, a library of books, pamphlets, maps, charts, manuscripts, papers, paintings, statuary, and other materials illustrative of the state and its history, to save from oblivion the memory of its early pioneers, to obtain and preserve narratives of their exploits, perils and hardy adventures, to secure facts and statements relative to the history, genius and progress or decay of our Indian tribes, to exhibit faithfully the antiquities and past and present resources of the state, and to aid in the publication of such of the collections of the society as it from time to time regards of value and interest, to aid in binding its books, pamphlets, manuscripts and papers, and in paying other necessary and incidental expenses of the society. [18 G. A., Chapter 71, C. '73, § 1900; R. § 1959.]

SEC. 2883. Board of Curators meetings. The board of curators of the society shall consist of eighteen persons, nine of whom shall be appointed by the governor, and nine elected by the members of the society. Their term of office shall be two years, and they shall receive no compensation. The governor shall make his appointments on or before the last Wednesday in June in each even-numbered year, and the terms of the persons appointed shall commence on that day; and, at the annual meeting of the society in each odd-numbered year, the others shall be elected by ballot from the members of the society, for the term next ensuing, which annual meeting shall be held at Iowa City on the Monday preceding the last Wednesday in June. [C. '73, §§ 1901, 1903.]

* At a meeting of the Board of Curators in 1866, Col. S. C. Trowbridge said that "the [Trowbridge], was at the first organization of this society, which was born after the politicians had swapped off all the public institutions that had been located at Iowa City, and arranged for their removal to other parts of the state, and the object of placing the historical society under the auspices of the university was to insure its permanent location at this point. If allowed to remain here it will be fostered by the literary and scientific influences of the university."—From the records of the Board of Curators, March 2, 1866.

SEC. 2884. Members. Members may be admitted to the society at any time under such rules as may be adopted by the board of curators. [C. '73, § 1902.]

SEC. 2885. Officers. The board shall appoint annually, or oftener if need be, a corresponding secretary, recording secretary, treasurer and librarian from the members of the society outside of their own number, who shall hold office for one year, unless sooner removed by a majority vote of the board. Said officers shall hold the same position in the society as upon he board of curators, and their respective duties shall be determined by said board. No officer of the society or board shall receive any compensation from the state appropriation thereto. [C. '73, § 1904.]

SEC. 2886. President. It shall also appoint from its members a president, who shall be the executive head of the board, and hold office for one year and until his successor is elected. [C. '73, § 1905.]

SEC. 2887. Executive board. The curators, a majority of whom shall reside in the vicinity of the university, and five of whom shall constitute a quorum, shall be the executive board of the society, and have full power to manage its affairs. It shall keep a full and complete account of all its doings, and of the receipt and expenditure of all funds collected or granted for the purposes of the society, and shall annually report the same to the governor on or before the fifteenth day of August. [22 G. A., Ch. 82, 34 C. '73, § 1906.]

SEC. 2888. Reports and documents furnished. Twenty copies of the reports of the supreme court and all other books and documents published by the state or upon its order shall be delivered to the society for the purpose of effecting exchanges with the similar societies in other states and countries, and for preservation in its library, or other purposes of the Society. [C. '73, § 1907.]

III.

SUPPORT.

The support of The State Historical Society of Iowa is provided for by the following act of the Thirtieth General Assembly (Laws of the Thirtieth General Assembly, Ch. 117):

AN ACT making appropriations to the state historical society of Iowa. Amendatory of chapter eighteen (18) of title thirteen (XIII) of the code, relating to the state historical society.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Annual Appropriation—Purposes. That there be and is hereby appropriated to the state historical society of Iowa, out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of seven

thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500), annually hereafter as permanent support: For the continued publication of the Iowa Journal of History and Politics; for the continuation of the compilation and publication of the messages and proclamations of the governor of Iowa; for the collection, compilation and publication of documentary materials relating to the history of Iowa, including such of the archives of the state and territory of Iowa as are of historical importance; for the publication of historical monographs, biographies, essays, lectures, bibliographs and indexes; for the proper maintenance of the library of the society, the collection and purchase of publications bearing upon Iowa and American history, and the proper classifying, cataloguing and indexing of such material; for the carrying out of a systematic and scientific anthropological survey of the State; for conducting public lectures of an historical character; and for meeting the incidental and other necessary expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of the work of the said state historical society of Iowa, as indicated in this act and title XIII, chapter 18, section 2882 of the code.

Sec. 2. How paid. That the permanent annual appropriation herein provided for shall take the place and be in lieu of all other permanent annual appropriations heretofore made to the state historical society of Iowa, and the same shall be paid in quarterly installments on the order of the board of curators of the said state historical society of Iowa, the first installment to be paid July 1st, 1904.

Sec. 3. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Daily Register and Leader and the Des Moines Daily Capital, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

IV.

CURATORS AND OFFICERS.

The Board of Curators, as now constituted, consists of the following persons:—

Appointed by the Governor in 1904.

Harvey Ingham.....	Des Moines
H. W. Byers.....	Harlan
Irving B. Richman.....	Muscatine
E. W. Stanton.....	Ames
L. W. Parish.....	Cedar Falls
J. F. Mitchell.....	Des Moines
Charles E. Shelton.....	Indianola
J. J. McConnell.....	Cedar Rapids
William Milchrist.....	Sioux City

Elected by the Society in 1905.

M. W. Davis.....	Iowa City
Peter A. Dey.....	Iowa City
Samuel Calvin.....	Iowa City
George W. Ball.....	Iowa City
B. F. Shambaugh.....	Iowa City
Isaac A. Loos.....	Iowa City
A. E. Swisher.....	Iowa City
J. W. Rich.....	Iowa City
Euclid Sanders.....	Iowa City

The officers of The State Historical Society, as elected by the Board of Curators in 1905, are as follows:

Peter A. Dey.....	<i>President</i>
Isaac A. Loos.....	<i>Vice-President</i>
Lovell Swisher.....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Frank E. Horack.....	<i>Secretary</i>

V.

MEMBERS.

Any person may become a member of The State Historical Society of Iowa upon election by the Board of Curators and the payment of an entrance fee of \$5.

Membership in this society may be retained after the first year upon the payment of \$3 annually.

Members of the society shall be entitled to receive the quarterly and all other publications of the Society during the continuance of their membership.

During the biennial period from July 1, 1903, to July 1, 1905, the following names appear on the membership roll of the Society:—

Hon. Alonzo Abernethy.....	Osage
Hon. Charles Aldrich.....	Boone
Hon. Joseph H. Allen.....	Pocahontas
Mr. Lew W. Anderson.....	Cedar Rapids
Hon. Washington I. Babb.....	Mt. Pleasant
Hon. Marsh W. Bailey.....	Washington
Hon. Geo. W. Ball.....	Iowa City
Mrs. Virginia S. Berryhill.....	Des Moines
Mr. U. C. Blake.....	Cedar Rapids
Hon. Horace Boies.....	Grundy Center
Mr. Garfield Breese.....	Iowa City
Mr. Luther A. Brewer.....	Cedar Rapids
Miss Margaret Brown.....	Chariton
Miss Margaret Budington.....	Iowa City
Mrs. E. D. Burbank.....	Des Moines
Col. George R. Burnett.....	Iowa City
Professor Samuel Calvin.....	Iowa City
Professor O. H. Cessna.....	Ames
*Mr. John H. Charles.....	Sioux City
Mr. E. E. Clark.....	Des Moines
Mr. T. L. Cole.....	Washington, D. C.
Mr. Roy A. Cook.....	Independence
Professor A. D. Cromwell.....	Humbolt
Professor A. N. Currier.....	Iowa City
Mr. M. W. Davis.....	Iowa City
*Judge A. R. Dewey.....	Washington
Hon. Peter A. Dey.....	Iowa City
General G. M. Dodge.....	New York City
Mr. J. D. Edmundson.....	Des Moines
Mr. George W. Egan.....	Logan
Mr. M. L. Person.....	Iowa City
Mr. T. J. Fitzpatrick.....	Iowa City
Mr. John W. Gannaway.....	Milwaukee, Wis
Mr. Tracy Garrett.....	Creston
Rev. E. E. Gordon.....	Des Moines
Mr. C. G. Greene.....	Cedar Rapids
Miss Helen Gunsolus.....	Tipton
Mr. A. N. Harbert.....	Cedar Rapids
Mr. E. R. Harlan.....	Keosauqua
Hon. S. H. Harper.....	Ottumwa
Dr. Geo. W. Hinkle.....	Harvard
Mr. Phil Hoffman.....	Oskaloosa
Hon. Parker K. Holbrook.....	Onawa
Dr. Frank E. Horack.....	Iowa City
Hon. John Hughes, Jr.....	Williamsburg
Miss Ada Hulbert.....	Fontanelle
Hon. W. H. Ingham.....	Algona
Professor Allen Johnson.....	Grinnell

*Deceased

Rev. J. F. Kempker.....	Davenport
Mr. Edw. J. Litchfield.....	New York City
Professor Isaac A. Loos.....	Iowa City
Mr. Max O. Lorenz.....	Madison, Wis
Mr. John J. Louis.....	Iowa City
Hon. Frank O. Lowden.....	Chicago
Professor T. H. Macbride.....	Iowa City
Mr. Dwight G. McCarty.....	Emmetsburg
Mr. S. W. Mercer.....	Iowa City
Hon. John T. Moffit.....	Tipton
Supt. Chas. E. Moore.....	Waterloo
Mr. Edw. M. Mealley.....	Santa Ana, Cal
Dr. Charles F. Noe.....	Amama
Mr. H. S. Nollen.....	Des Moines
Mr. O. M. Oleson.....	Ft. Dodge
Hon. Benj. F. Osborne.....	Rippey
Mr. S. E. Paine.....	Iowa City
Mr. Newton R. Parvin.....	Cedar Rapids
Mr. Daniel T. Patton.....	Des Moines
Dr. Paul S. Peirce.....	Ames
Dr. J. L. Pickard.....	Cupertino, Cal
Professor H. G. Plum.....	Iowa City
Mr. Charles L. Powell.....	Des Moines
Miss Edith Prouty.....	Humboldt
Mr. W. C. Putnam.....	Davenport
Mr. Wm. L. Read.....	Des Moines
Mr. Jos. W. Rich.....	Iowa City
Mr. Jacob Ruedy.....	Homestead
Mr. Euclid Sanders.....	Iowa City
Professor H. H. Seerley.....	Cedar Falls
Professor B. F. Shambaugh.....	Iowa City
Hon. Thos. Stapleton.....	Marengo
Hon. F. K. Stebbins.....	Iowa City
Dr. S. G. Stein.....	Muscatine
Superintendent S. K. Stevenson.....	Iowa City
President A. B. Storms.....	Ames
Mr. A. E. Swisher.....	Iowa City
Mr. S. A. Swisher.....	Iowa City
Mr. Lovell Swisher.....	Iowa City
Miss Alice S. Tyler.....	Des Moines
Dr. Duren J. H. Ward.....	Iowa City
Mr. H. O. Weaver.....	Wapello
Mr. J. B. Weaver, Jr.....	Des Moines
Professor L. G. Weld.....	Iowa City
Mr. B. L. Wick.....	Cedar Rapids
Professor W. C. Wilcox.....	Iowa City
Miss Harriet A. Wood.....	Cedar Rapids
Mr. Malcolm G. Wyer.....	Iowa City

VI.

LIBRARY MEMBERS.

Any public school, or college library in the State of Iowa may be enrolled as a library member upon application and the payment of a fee of \$1.00. Such library membership may be retained after the first year upon the payment of \$1.00 annually. Libraries enrolled as library members of The State Historical Society of Iowa shall be entitled to receive the quarterly of the Society and all other publications of the Society during the period of their membership.

During the biennial period from July 1, 1903, to July 1, 1905, the following libraries appear on the roll of library members:

Agricultural College Library.....	Ames
High School Library.....	Ames
Public Library.....	Ames
Public Library.....	Arnold's Park
Ericson Public Library.....	Boone
Public Library.....	Burlington
Public Library.....	Carroll
State Normal School Library.....	Cedar Falls
Coe College Library.....	Cedar Rapids
Public Library.....	Cedar Rapids
High School Library.....	Cedar Rapids
Iowa Masonic Library.....	Cedar Rapids
Drake Free Library.....	Centerville
Public Library.....	Chariton
Charles City College Library.....	Charles City
Public Library.....	Charles City
Public Library.....	Cherokee
School Library.....	Cherokee
Public Library.....	Clinton
Wartburg College Library.....	Clinton
Public Library.....	Colfax
Amity College Library.....	College Springs
School Library.....	Columbus Junction
Free Public Library.....	Corning
Public Library.....	Council Bluffs
High School Library.....	Council Bluffs
Public Library.....	Davenport
Luther College Library.....	Decorah
High School Library.....	Decorah
Drake University Library.....	Des Moines
Highland Park College Library.....	Des Moines
Historical Department Library.....	Des Moines

Iowa Library Commission Library.....	Des Moines
Iowa State Library.....	Des Moines
Carnegie-Stout Public Library.....	Dubuque
German Theological School Library.....	Dubuque
Public Library.....	Eldora
Public Library.....	Emmetsburg
Public Library.....	Estherville
Public Library.....	Fairfield
Upper Iowa University Library.....	Fayette
Public Library.....	Forest City
Tobin College Library.....	Fort Dodge
Free Public Library.....	Fort Dodge
Catermole Memorial Library.....	Fort Madison
Woman's Club Library.....	Glenwood
Grinnell Public Library.....	Grinnell
Iowa College Library.....	Grinnell
School Library.....	Hamburg
School Library.....	Harlan
P. E. O. Library.....	Harlan
Public Library.....	Hawarden
School Library.....	Hawarden
School Library.....	Homestead
Lenox College Library.....	Hopkinton
School Library.....	Hudson
Humboldt College Library.....	Humboldt
School Library.....	Independence
Public Library.....	Indianola
Simpson College Library.....	Indianola
Public Library.....	Iowa City
School Library.....	Iowa City
Law Library, University.....	Iowa City
State University Library.....	Iowa City
Public Library.....	Iowa Falls
Public Library.....	Jefferson
Public Library.....	Keokuk
School Library Ind. District.....	Lake City
Library Association.....	Laurens
Western Union College Library.....	Le Mars
School Library.....	Manchester
Public Library.....	Maquoketa
Public Library.....	Marshalltown
Public Library.....	Mason City
Public Library.....	Mt. Pleasant
Iowa Wesleyan University Library.....	Mt. Pleasant
Cornell College Library.....	Mt. Vernon
Public Library.....	Monticello
P. M. Musser Public Library.....	Muscatine

Public Library.....	Nashua
Public Library.....	Newton
Public Library.....	Odeboit
School Library.....	Oelwein
Public Library.....	Onawa
Sage Free Public Library.....	Osage
Public Library.....	Oskaloosa
Penn College Library.....	Oskaloosa
Public Library.....	Ottumwa
Guthrie County High School Library.....	Panora
Central College Library.....	Pella
High School Library.....	Red Oak
Public Library.....	Sanborn
Public Library.....	Sheldon
Western Normal College Library.....	Shenandoah
Morningside College Library.....	Sioux City
Cooper School Library.....	Sioux City
Public Library.....	Sioux City
Public Library.....	Spencer
Buena Vista College Library.....	Storm Lake
Public Library.....	Stuart
Tabor College Library.....	Tabor
Public Library.....	Tipton
Western College Library.....	Toledo
Public Library.....	Villisca
Public Library.....	Vinton
Public Library.....	Waterloo
Wartburg Seminary and Academy Library.....	Waverly
Kendall Young Library.....	Webster City
Public Library.....	West Liberty
Public Library.....	Winterset

VII.

AUXILIARY MEMBERS.

Local historical societies (such as county historical societies, city or town historical societies, and old settlers' associations) may be enrolled as auxiliary members of The State Historical Society of Iowa upon application of such local historical societies and upon the approval of their application by the Board of Curators of The State Historical Society of Iowa.

Patriotic organizations within the State of Iowa (such as the Iowa Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Iowa Society of Colonial Wars and the Iowa Society of Colonial Dames) may be enrolled as auxiliary members of The State Historical Society of Iowa upon application of such organizations and upon the approval of their applications by the Board of Curators of The State Historical Society of Iowa.

Auxiliary societies or organizations shall be entitled to membership in The State Historical Society of Iowa and shall have one vote at the annual meeting of this Society. Each auxiliary society or organization shall be entitled to receive all the publications of The State Historical Society of Iowa issued during the period of its affiliation as an auxiliary member.

Auxiliary societies or organizations shall not be required to pay any fees or dues to The State Historical Society of Iowa.

During the biennial period from July 1, 1903, to July 1, 1905, the following organizations appear on the roll as auxiliary members:

Historical Society of Linn County.....	Cedar Rapids
Jackson County Historical Society.....	Maquoketa
Lucas County Historical Society.....	Chariton
Madison County Historical Society.....	Winterset
Washington County Historical Society.....	Washington
Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.....	Davenport
Iowa Society of the Sons of the American Revo- lution.....	Des Moines
Maquoketa Valley Pioneer and Old Settlers' Society.....	Maquoketa
Old Settlers' Association of Grinnell.....	Grinnell
Old Settlers' Association.....	Villisca

VIII.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.*

The following is a summary of the finances of The State Historical Society of Iowa from July 1, 1903, to June 30, 1905:—

INCOME.

General (Code) Fund—Total receipts including balance on hand July 1, 1903	\$ 1,005.97
General 1902 Fund—Total receipts including balance on hand July 1, 1903	1,522.45
Special 1902 Fund—Total receipts including balance on hand July 1, 1903	4,915.51
Act of Twenty-eighth General Assembly Fund—Balance on hand July 1, 1903	12.16
Publication and Membership Fund—Total receipts including balance on hand July 1, 1903	1,180.43
General Support Fund	7,491.66
Total income	\$16,128.18

EXPENDITURES.

	AMOUNT.	BALANCE
General Code Fund—Total expenditures	\$ 1,005.97	
General 1902 Fund—Total expenditures	1,522.45	
Special 1902 Fund—Total expenditures	4,915.51	
Act of Twenty-eighth General Assembly Fund—Total expenditures	12.16	
Publication and Membership Fund—Total expenditures	256.34	\$ 924.09
General Support Fund—Total expenditures	7,274.81	216.85
Total expenditures all funds	\$14,987.24	\$ 1,140.94
Total balance all funds	1,140.94	

Expenditures and balance equal total receipts. \$16,128.18

*For detailed and itemized financial statement see report of the Board of Curator to the Executive Council.

IX

PUBLICATIONS.

One of the most important functions of The State Historical Society of Iowa is publication; and to this end a library is maintained and scientific research and investigations are initiated and directed.

THE IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS.

This is a quarterly magazine of history and politics which was established in 1903 to succeed *The Iowa Historical Record*, which was discontinued in October, 1902. During the biennial period under review *The Iowa Journal of History and Politics* has been enlarged from 136 to 160 pages per number. This publication is an effort to bring to the study of Iowa history a critical and scholarly attitude; for it is evident that the time has come when the study of State and local history should be characterized by the same scholarship and the same critical methods as stamp the best efforts in the field of general American history. The leading contributions which have appeared during the years, 1904 and 1905 are as follows:—

- THE FIRST ELECTIONS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION,
By Charles Oscar Paullin.
- SOME IOWA MOUNDS—AN ANTHROPOLOGICAL SURVEY,
By Duren J. H. Ward
- THE ORIGIN AND THE HISTORY OF THE IOWA IDEA,
By George Evan Roberts.
- SHELBY COUNTY—A SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY,
By John J. Louis,
- THE IOWA DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,
By Caroline Clifford Burbank.
- THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION,
By Paul S. Reinsch.
- A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE AMANA SOCIETY, 1714-1800,
By Charles Fred Noe.
- THE IOWA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,
By Elbridge Drew Hadley.
- THE LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN MUNICIPALITIES,
By Samuel Edwin Sparling.
- SHELBY COUNTY—A SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY,
By John J. Louis.
- THE CONSTITUTION OF COLORADO,
By Elmer Herbert Meyer.

- DANIEL WEBSTER,
By Horace E. Deemer.
- FIRST YEARLY MEETING OF THE IOWA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION,
By Duren J. H. Ward.
- MAPS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE BOUNDARY HISTORY OF IOWA,
By Benjamin F. Shambaugh.
- SOME PHRASES OF CORPORATE REGULATION IN THE TERRITORY OF IOWA,
By Frank Edward Horack.
- THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE,
By Jesse Macy.
- A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF IOWA STATE PUBLICATIONS FOR 1898 AND 1899,
By Margaret Budington.
- THE NEGRO AND SLAVERY IN EARLY IOWA,
By Louis Pelzer.
- SOME PHASES OF CORPORATE REGULATION IN THE STATE OF IOWA,
By Frank Edward Horack.
- ASSEMBLY DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT IN IOWA,
By Benjamin F. Shambaugh.
- THE GENESIS OF POPULAR SOVEREIGNTY,
By Allan Johnson.
- THE PROBLEM OF THE MOUNDS,
By Duren J. H. Ward.
- CIVIL SERVICE REFORM IN AMERICAN MUNICIPALITIES,
By Charles Noble Gregory.
- THE SCANDINAVIAN FACTOR IN THE AMERICAN POPULATION,
By George T. Flom.
- THE TEACHING OF HISTORY IN THE SOUTH,
By Alice Fortier.
- A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF IOWA STATE PUBLICATIONS FOR 1902 AND 1903,
By Margaret Budington.
- THE ROADS AND HIGHWAYS OF TERRITORIAL IOWA,
By Jacob Van der Zee.
- THE HISTORY OF THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR IN WISCONSIN,
By James D. Barnett.
- THE REPEAL OF THE GRANGER LAW IN IOWA,
By Charles Aldrich.
- THE WORK OF AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETIES,
By Henry E. Bourne.
- RECENT AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF IOWA,
By Frank E. Horack.
- THE COMING OF THE NORWEGIANS TO IOWA,
By George T. Flom.
- THE BRIBERY OF ALEXANDER W. MCGREGOR,
By John C. Parish.
- ILLINOIS AS A CONSTITUENCY IN 1850,
By Allen Johnson.
- SECOND YEARLY MEETING OF THE IOWA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION,
By Duren J. H. Ward.

REPRINTS FROM THE IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS.

It is the policy of the Society to issue reprints of the most important articles in the Journal. Of the contributions above named the following were issued as separate reprints:

- THE FIRST ELECTIONS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION,
By Charles Oscar Paullin.
- SOME IOWA MOUNDS—AN ANTHROPOLOGICAL SURVEY,
By Duren J. H. Ward.
- THE ORIGIN AND HISTORY OF THE IOWA IDEA,
By George Evan Roberts.
- SHELBY COUNTY—A SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY,
By John J. Louis.
- THE IOWA DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,
By Caroline Clifford Burbank.
- A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE AMANA SOCIETY, 1714-1900,
By Charles Fred Noe.
- THE IOWA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,
By Elbridge Drew Hadley.
- THE LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN MUNICIPALITIES,
By Samuel Edward Sparling.
- DANIEL WEBSTER,
By Horace E. Deemer.
- FIRST YEARLY MEETING OF THE IOWA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION,
By Duren J. H. Ward.
- MAPS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE BOUNDARY HISTORY OF IOWA,
By Benjamin F. Shambaugh.
- SOME PHASES OF CORPORATE REGULATION IN THE TERRITORY OF IOWA,
AND SOME PHASES OF CORPORATE REGULATION IN THE STATE OF IOWA,
By Frank Edward Horack.
- ASSEMBLY DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT IN IOWA,
By Benjamin F. Shambaugh.
- THE PROBLEM OF THE MOUNDS,
By Duren J. H. Ward.
- CIVIL SERVICE REFORM IN AMERICAN MUNICIPALITIES,
By Charles Noble Gregory.
- THE SCANDINAVIAN FACTOR IN THE AMERICAN POPULATION,
By George T. Flom.
- THE REPEAL OF THE GRANGER LAW IN IOWA,
By Charles Aldrich.
- THE WORK OF THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETIES,
By Henry E. Bourne.
- THE COMING OF THE NORWEGIANS TO IOWA,
By George T. Flom.
- SECOND YEARLY MEETING OF THE IOWA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION,
By Duren J. H. Ward.

THE MESSAGES AND PROCLAMATIONS OF THE GOVERNORS OF IOWA.

In accordance with the provisions of the special appropriation made to The State Historical Society of Iowa by the Twenty-ninth General Assembly, the Society undertook the compilation and publication of the *The Messages and Proclamations of the Governors of Iowa*. Seven volumes, averaging about 500 pages each, have already been issued, the last volume bringing the compilation down to 1902. The work will be completed by the publication of the messages and proclamations of Governor Cummins (1902-1907) and an analytical index for the entire series. This is perhaps the most valuable compilation of documentary material which has thus far appeared in the field of Iowa history. It is believed that Iowa is the first state in the Union to make generally available for study and reference purposes the messages and proclamations of its governors.

THE ARCHIVES.

In this connection it is proper to call attention to the fact that in the publication plans of The State Historical Society of Iowa, the series of the *Messages and Proclamations of the Governors of Iowa* is not to stand alone. It is, indeed, but a part of a general plan already conceived and largely matured by the Society, which contemplates the systematic collection, compilation, editing, and publication of all those valuable source materials of Iowa history which have been preserved in the archives at Des Moines (Iowa), Madison (Wisconsin), Washington (D. C.), and elsewhere. For it is believed that the publication of the materials of Iowa history should not be taken up spasmodically and carried on in piecemeal fashion, but that such publication should proceed according to a well conceived, well arranged and well thought out system. It is such a system of publication of archives which The State Historical Society of Iowa contemplates as an important part of its work in the future.

A volume of the *Executive Journal*, which includes the official acts of the Governors of Iowa from 1846 to 1858, has already been edited and is now ready for the printer.

DOCUMENTARY HISTORY OF POLITICAL PARTIES.

This publication will contain material illustrative of the history of political parties in Iowa, beginning with the territorial period in 1836. Copy for the first volume will soon be placed in the hands of the printer.

BIBLIOGRAPHIES.

Recognizing the importance and value of accurate bibliography in connection with historical research, The State Historical Society of Iowa has directed the compilation of the following bibliographies:—

1. *A Bibliography of Iowa State Publications*. Three installments of this bibliography have already appeared in *The Iowa Journal of History and Politics*.

2. *A Bibliography of Iowa Public Documents*.

3. *A Bibliography of the Scientific Literature of Iowa*.

These bibliographies will be published as soon as the funds of the Society will permit.

IOWA BIOGRAPHICAL SERIES.

The State Historical Society of Iowa has planned to publish an *Iowa Biographical Series* which will contain brief biographies of men whose names occupy a prominent place in the history of Iowa. The Society plans to issue several numbers of this series during the coming year.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL PAPERS.

Following the publication of an article by Dr. Duren J. H. Ward in Volume I of *The Iowa Journal of History and Politics on Historico-Anthropological Possibilities in Iowa*, the following anthropological papers have been published during the last biennial period:

SOME IOWA MOUNDS—AN ANTHROPOLOGICAL SURVEY,
By Duren J. H. Ward.

FIRST YEARLY MEETING OF THE IOWA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION,
By Duren J. H. Ward.

THE PROBLEM OF THE MOUNDS,
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SECOND YEARLY MEETING OF THE IOWA ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION,
By Duren J. H. Ward.

Another article, entitled *Some Additional Mounds*, by Dr. Duren J. H. Ward, will be published in the near future. The Society will also publish the results of the anthropological investigation of the Musquakie Indians at Tama, Iowa, which is now being conducted by Dr. Ward under the direction of the Society.

BULLETINS OF INFORMATION.

In order to meet the demands for information along certain lines of historical interest, the society has begun the publication of a series of *Bulletins of Information*. In this series the following numbers have been issued:—

Bulletin of Information No. 1, April, 1904, entitled, *Provisions for Membership in The State Historical Society of Iowa*.

Bulletin of Information No. 2, May, 1904, entitled, *An Iowa Program for Study Clubs*.

Bulletin of Information No. 3, July, 1904, entitled, *Suggestions to Public Libraries and Local Historical Societies Relative to Collecting and Preserving Materials of Local History*.

Bulletin of Information No. 4, June, 1905, entitled, *Suggestions to Local Historians in Iowa*.

X.

THE LIBRARY.

The State Historical Society of Iowa has always maintained a library of books, pamphlets, and manuscripts for the use of those who are interested in the study of Iowa history. The Library is now located on the third floor of the Hall of Liberal Arts at Iowa City. The removal to these fireproof quarters was made in September, 1901. At present the library is much crowded, but it is hoped that additional space may be secured adjoining its present rooms so as to afford reasonable accommodations until the time has arrived for the erection of a building by the State for the use of The State Historical Society of Iowa. It is the aim and purpose of the Society to collect and place in the library materials relating to Iowa and American history. The books and pamphlets have been accessioned and systematically arranged and classified. For the collection of such titles as should be found in an historical library the Society now employs a collector who devotes his entire time to the collection of books and pamphlets.

XI.

THE INDUSTRIAL HISTORY OF IOWA.

Recent years have been characterized by a large interest in the industrial history of mankind. Schools of Commerce have been established; courses on commerce and industry have become a part of the curricula of universities; and today an industrial history of the United States is being compiled under the direction of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, D. C.

In touch with these movements, The State Historical Society of Iowa has taken steps looking toward the preparation and publication of a series of monographs or volumes along the line of the industrial history of Iowa. When issued these studies will perhaps appear under some such title as *The Industrial History of Iowa*.

XII.

THE MU-SQUA-KIE INDIAN INQUIRY.

In accordance with the purposes of the Society and the intent of the appropriations made by the Thirtieth General Assembly, the Board of Curators resolved in June, 1905, to undertake a scientific investigation of the Mu-squa-kie Indians at Tama. These Indians (popularly known as the Foxes) are a remnant of a once powerful tribe from whom the United States purchased much of the land which goes to make up the State of Iowa. The Mu-squa-kie Indians, numbering at present 342 souls, are a peaceful people who own the land on which they live. Their history is an important part of the history of our Commonwealth.

The preliminary steps in the investigation of the Mu-squa-kie Indians have been taken by Dr. Duren J. H. Ward under the auspices and at the expense of the Society. The field of study thus opened up is as rich as it is extensive. But for the proper prosecution of the investigation more funds will be required than are now at the disposal of the Society.

XIII.
RECOMMENDATIONS.

In conclusion the Board of Curators respectfully submits for consideration the following recommendations:

First. That \$7,500 be added to the permanent annual support of the Society.

Second. That a special appropriation of \$4,000 be made for an Industrial History of Iowa.

Third. That a special appropriation of \$4,000 be made] for further prosecution of the Mu-squa-kie Indian investigation.

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