

the county, arranged in readable order. The general history of the county is followed by that of the townships. The social phases of the history, education, military annals, politics, temperance, literature, the legal and medical professions follow, and most interesting are the many biographical details woven in. There are no paid biographies. List of county and townships officers are given. Fraternal and benevolent societies, commercial companies, the newspapers—in short, there is so much that one is surprised at the activity of modern society. As a history of a typical Indiana county, Hancock offers a fine field for sociological and historical study. Mr. Richman has done a favor for his county which will be appreciated as long as the descendants of its present inhabitants live there.

*Bulletin No. 8* of the Indiana Historical Commission, December, 1916, contains the record of the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of Indiana's admission into the Union. The celebration took place in the state house at Indianapolis December 11, 1916. The centennial address was delivered by Prof. James A. Woodburn. His theme was "The Foundations of the Commonwealth." The theme was a favorite one and the address was entirely worthy of the occasion. Hon. William Dudley Foulke of Richmond read a centennial ode full not only of patriotic fervor but of poetic qualities.

THE *American Historical Review* for January has for its leading article President George L. Burr's address to the American Historical Association on the "Freedom of History." Other articles are by Herbert C. Bell on "The West India Trade Before the Revolution"; Victor Coffin on "Censorship and Literature Under Napoleon," and by Carl R. Fish on "Social Relief in the Northwest During the Civil War."

THE *Iowa Journal of History and Politics* for January has a discussion of special legislation in Iowa by Ivan L. Pollock; an article on "Recent Liquor Legislation in Iowa," by Dan E. Clark, and a "History of the Congregational Church of Iowa City," by Joseph S. Heffner.

THE *German-American Annals* for December, 1916, contains a valuable article for Indiana history by Dr. Preston A. Barba, of the German faculty of Indiana University. The article is entitled "The General Swiss Colonization Society." This society was organized in Cincinnati in 1857. In this same year, through the agency of Judge Elisha M. Huntington, 4,000 acres were purchased and the city of Tell City laid out. The article is a contribution to American history as well as to Indiana history. Dr. Barba had access to many of the company's records, loaned him by the city of Tell City.

THE *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* has an article entitled "Daniel Boone at Limestone," by David I. Bushnell, Jr.

THE *Catholic Historical Review* for January has a general review of the last century of the Catholic church, under the title of "Loss and Gain Problem 1800-1916," by Rt. Rev. J. F. Regis Canevin, D.D., and an article by Joseph Magri, M.A., D.D., on "Catholicity in Virginia, 1850-1872."

THE *Smith College Studies* for January, 1917, is taken up entirely with the correspondence between George Bancroft and Jared Sparks. The latter was editor of the *North American Review* and the former was the reviewer for historical literature. Many letters are given showing the relation between editor and reviewer in that day. It may be observed that that day has passed with most reviewers and magazines.

MR. FRANK N. DUNCAN of Bloomington presented to the survey a unique volume of political literature. It consists of all the campaign documents used by the Republican State Central Committee in the campaign of 1888. The documents, sixty-eight in number, were bound for I. N. Huston.

ONE of the most interesting books that have come to the survey is a *History of Lewis Township, Clay County, Indiana*, written by the teachers and pupils of the township schools, arranged and edited by Miss Eunice Asbury, also one of the teachers. The volume consists of 109 pages printed double

column. The material was first published in the *Brazil News-Democrat*. There are thirteen chapters, the first two being given to the history of the township and its geology, and the others to the fourteen school districts. Lists of teachers, trustees, squires and preachers are given; accounts of churches, stores, creeks and other neighborhood places of interest. The style, English and general arrangement of the book are excellent. It is not necessary to be told that this formed a very pleasant diversion for the teachers and pupils. There is evidence that at least some composition work in the schools has been enjoyed. The *News-Democrat* is to be congratulated in cooperating with the children. Nor must mention be omitted of Mr. Woodrow's poem, "Fishin' on Briley Crick." It has the Hoosier sentiment.

THE January *Mississippi Valley Historical Review* has articles on "Effects of Secession Upon the Commerce of the Mississippi Valley," by E. Merton Coulter; "Alabama and the Federal Government," by Theodore H. Jack; "Sir John Johnson, Loyalist," by Mabel G. Walker, and one more contribution on "Verendrye," by O. G. Libby.

THE *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* for January, 1917, contains an article on "Commercial Aspects of the Texas Santa Fe Trade," by Thomas M. Marshall. Also articles on the "Diplomatic Relations Between France and Texas," by H. R. Edwards, and the "British Correspondence Concerning Texas," should be of interest to Indianians.

IN the January *Indiana Alumni Quarterly* Dr. James A. Woodburn continues his historical sketches of Indiana University. The article deals with the gloomy period after the fire of 1854. A page picture of the new (1855) building is given. Frederic Truedley (1878) also writes reminiscently of his college days.

THE *Indianapolis Star*, December 3, 1916, contained a two-column account of the Shaker foundation on Shaker Prairie, Sullivan county, Indiana. The settlement was established in 1805 and lasted till the Civil war period. The com-

munity resembled the Rappites of New Harmony in many ways. On account of their friendship with the Prophet they were regarded with some suspicion during the War of 1812 when the American soldiers destroyed or carried away a great deal of their property.

THE Indiana Historical Commission announces the publication of five volumes of Indiana historical material. These will be welcomed by the people of Indiana not only for the books themselves, but as the beginning of a movement that will make the material of Indiana history more available. The commission ought to insist on better binding and better paper in the next volumes. The State of Indiana cannot afford to advertise its poverty so widely. Reviews of these volumes will appear later.

THE *Elementary School Journal* for November and December, 1916, contains two articles by Dr. R. M. Tryon, of the School of Education, Chicago University. These articles are entitled "Household Manufacture in the United States," and deal with the period 1784-1809. Dr. Tryon has about completed a volume on this phase of economic history. The author is a Hoosier teacher of wide acquaintance, a graduate of the State Normal and the State University.

THE Anheuser-Busch Company of St. Louis has recently issued for free distribution a brochure on the "Exploration of the West," illustrated by nine pictures in colors from the painter, O. E. Berninghaus. The pictures represent De Soto discovering the Mississippi, Marquette descending the Mississippi, La Clede landing at the site of St. Louis, Lewis and Clark on the upper Missouri, Fremont in sight of the Rockies, the St. Louis wharf in the seventies, Indians robbing a stage and a caravan on the plains.