PROGRAMME OF EXERCISES AT THE TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, MADISON, DECEMBER 27-31, 1907.

Persons not members of the association will be cordially welcome to the sessions.

Papers are limited to twenty minutes, and discussions to ten minutes for each speaker. Those who read papers or take part in the conferences are requested to furnish the secretary with abstracts of their papers or remarks.

FIRST SESSION, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 8 P. M.

[Joint meeting with the American Political Science Association.]

Address of Welcome: Dean Edward A. Birge, University of Wisconsin.

SECOND SESSION, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 10 A. M.

CONFERENCES.

   (a) Geographical Location as a Factor in History. Ellen Churchill Semple, Louisville, Ky.
   (b) Physiography as a Factor in Community Life. Orin Grant Libby, professor in the University of North Dakota.
   (c) Discussion, led by George L. Burr, professor in Cornell University; Harlan H. Barrows, instructor in the University of Chicago; Ulrich B. Phillips, assistant professor in the University of Wisconsin.

   (a) Report on the Year's Progress. Evarts B. Greene, professor in the University of Illinois.
   Discussion by Dunbar Rowland, Mississippi Department of Archives and History; Clarence W. Alvord, Illinois State Historical Library; W. B. Douglas, Missouri Historical Society.
   (c) Scientific Organization of Historical Museums. Lucy M. Salmon, professor in Vassar College.
   Discussion led by Julian P. Bretz, instructor in the University of Chicago.
   (d) Cooperation of Local Historical Societies. John F. Ayer, Bay State Historical League.
   Discussion led by Henry E. Legler, Wisconsin State Historical Society.
**EUROPEAN HISTORY.**

1. The Programme for a Puritan State. Herbert D. Foster, professor in Dartmouth College.
2. Legazpi and Philippine Colonization. James A. Robertson, Madison, Wis.
3. The Elizabethan Government and the English Catholics—Another Phase of the Question. Roger B. Merriman, instructor in Harvard University.
5. The Beginning of English Political Parties. Wilbur C. Abbott, professor in the University of Kansas.

**FOURTH SESSION, MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 10 A. M.**

**DISCUSSIONS OF SPECIAL FIELDS OF WORK.**

1. Medieval European history. Chairman, George L. Burr, professor in Cornell University; Charles H. Haskins, professor in Harvard University; James Harvey Robinson, professor in Columbia University; James Westfall Thompson, assistant professor in the University of Chicago; Samuel B. Harding, professor in Indiana University; Paul van Dyke, professor in Princeton University; Earle W. Dow, junior professor in the University of Michigan; Dana C. Munro, professor in the University of Wisconsin.
2. Modern European history. Chairman, Guy Stanton Ford, professor in the University of Illinois; Ralph C. H. Catterall, professor in Cornell University; Fred M. Fling, professor in the University of Nebraska; Charles A. Beard, Columbia University.
3. Oriental history and politics. Chairman, Archibald Cary Coolidge, assistant professor in Harvard University; Charles D. Tenney, president of Pei Yang College; Arthur I. Andrews, instructor in Simmons College; H. Morse Stephens, professor in the University of California; Paul S. Reinsch, professor in the University of Wisconsin; Kan-Ichi Asakawa, instructor in Yale University.
4. United States constitutional history. Chairman, Andrew C. McLaughlin, professor in the University of Chicago; William MacDonald, professor in Brown University; Edward S. Corwin, assistant professor in Princeton University; William E. Dodd, professor in Randolphi-Macon College.
5. United States history since 1865. Chairman, James A. Woodburn, professor in Indiana University; Amos S. Hershey, junior professor in Indiana University; Carl Russell Fish, associate professor in the University of Wisconsin; Frank H. Hodder, professor in the University of Kansas; John H. Latané, professor in Washington and Lee University; William Dudley Foulke, late of the United States Civil Service Commission.

**BUSINESS SESSION, MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 3 P. M.**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION.**

2. Report of the treasurer and auditing committee.
5. Report of the committee on the Justin Winsor prize.

FIFTH SESSION, MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 8 P. M.

AMERICAN ECONOMIC HISTORY.
4. Discussion led by Frederick W. Moore, professor in Vanderbilt University; B. H. Meyer, Wisconsin Railroad Commission.

SIXTH SESSION, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 10 A. M.

WESTERN HISTORY.
1. The Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions from the Standpoint of Western History. Frank M. Anderson, professor in the University of Minnesota.
2. Material for Southwestern History in the Archives of Mexico. Herbert E. Bolton, adjunct professor in the University of Texas.
3. Proposals for an Indian State, 1778-1878. Annie Heloise Abel, professor in the Woman's College of Baltimore.
4. The First Fugitive Slave Case West of the Mississippi River. John C. Parish, State Historical Society of Iowa.

PRESENT ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The following list enumerates the present leading activities of the American Historical Association:
(1) The annual meeting of the association, held during the Christmas holidays in the East or the West or the District of Columbia in triennial succession.
(2) The annual report of the secretary of the association concerning the annual meeting and its proceedings, with the papers, bibliographies, and other historical materials submitted through the secretary of the Smithsonian Institution for publication by Congress.
(3) The preservation of historical exchanges, books, pamphlets, reports, and papers of the association in the National Museum, at Washington, D. C., in the keeping of the secretary of the association and the curator of its historical collections.
(4) The historical manuscripts commission of six members, established in 1885, and now receiving from the association a subsidy of $300 a year for the collection and editing of important manuscripts; Dr. J. Franklin Jameson, of the Carnegie Institution, chairman.
(5) The public archives commission, established in 1890, for investigating the public archives of the several States and of the United States, and now receiving a subsidy of $500 a year for the expenses incident to preparing its reports; Prof. Herman V. Ames, of the University of Pennsylvania, chairman.