

welcoming all comers of every stock and every clime who came here for the realization of themselves, in spirit, in energy, in faith, in search of the careers open to all the talents. And you remain so, hospitable to all who are eager for service to the community, in the uplift of themselves, their fortunes, and the general good. To make the most of oneself, the unselfish self, is the greatest contribution to mankind. No wonder therefore that you have the passion for origins, the true historic zeal. We are happy to meet under the auspices of Buffalo, and in particular of the Buffalo Historical Society, which with a few others a very few stands forth as an example, a shining example to its kind. In the American way, the elevating influences of life are organized privately, then shared by public support, and sometimes when their utility is conclusively proven, continued and perpetuated by the public care under private guidance. You and your associates, Mr. President, and Mr. Secretary Severance, must feel a sober pride in the foundations you have laid. We are your debtors, we and our successors. When you celebrate your 50th anniversary under the highest auspices, your splendid building with its precious collections must be the Mecca for every scholar engaged in research about the Niagara frontier. For this we are deep in your debt; that your collection has been intensive and special, that one portion of the field is especially and peculiarly yours.

We are also in your debt that in this great community you cherish and foster the love of history. Aside from your special collections you open wide the doors to your public for general historical reading; you summon great scholars to stimulate their zeal by lectures, and you make popular the study of history by talks on its romance and illustrations of its beginning. May your work prosper and may you see it prosper long in your hands. The splendid books you publish take you into all learned institutions; it is a pleasure for learned societies to come to you.

**PROGRAM OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, HELD IN BUFFALO AND  
ITHACA, DECEMBER 27-30, 1911.**

*Wednesday, December 27.*

3 p. m.: Private dining room, Hotel Statler. Meeting of the Executive Council of the American Historical Association.

8 p. m.: Joint session with the American Political Science Association. Y. M. C. A. Hall, Mohawk and Genesee Streets. Address of welcome, Henry W. Hill, president of the Buffalo Historical Society. Address, "The substance and vision of history," William M. Sloane, Columbia University, president of the American Historical Association. Address, "The progressive unfolding of the powers of the United States," Simeon E. Baldwin, Yale University, governor of Connecticut, president of the American Political Science Association.

*Thursday, December 28.*

9 a. m.: Meetings of committees (at the call of the chairmen).

9.30 a. m.: Joint session with the Mississippi Valley Historical Association. Some frontier problems. Lecture room of Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences, Public Library Building, Lafayette Square. "The insurgents of 1811," D. R. Anderson, Richmond College. "The quit-rent system in the American colonies," Beverley W. Bond, jr., Purdue University. "The tariff and public lands," Raynor G. Wellington, University of South Dakota. "Origin of the Wilmot proviso," Clark E. Persinger, University of Nebraska. "Report of the secretary of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association," Clarence S. Paine, Lincoln, Nebr.

2.30 p. m.: Conferences.

Ancient History. Assembly room, Hotel Statler. Chairman, W. S. Ferguson, Harvard University. "The earliest historical connection between Asia and Africa,"

James H. Breasted, University of Chicago. "Some aspects of the Mycenaean question," George W. Botsford, Columbia University. "The progress of Byzantine studies in France during the last 15 years," Charles Diehl, The Sorbonne, Paris. "Instruction and research in ancient history in American universities," Henry B. Wright, Yale University.

Archivists. Ladies' parlors, Hotel Statler. Chairman, Herman V. Ames, University of Pennsylvania. I. The lesson of the catastrophes in the capitols of New York and of Missouri: Arnold J. F. Van Laer, archivist, State Library, Albany; Jonas Viles, University of Missouri; discussion opened by Bernard R. Green, Library of Congress. II. The Canadian archives: The Dominion archives, D. N. McArthur, the archives branch, Ottawa; the archives of Ontario, Alexander Fraser, provincial archivist, Toronto; discussion.

Southwestern history. Private dining room, Hotel Statler. Chairman, Herbert E. Bolton, University of California. "The excavations at Amoxiumque, N. Mex.," Edgar L. Hewett, director of the American School of Archaeology, Santa Fe, N. Mex. "Public opinion in Texas preceding the Revolution," Eugene C. Barker, University of Texas. "Monroe and the early Mexican Revolutionists," Isaac J. Cox, University of Cincinnati. General discussion: "Southwestern history as a field for investigation." Led by W. R. Shepherd, Columbia University; Peter J. Hamilton, Mobile, Ala.; John H. Vaughan, New Mexico College of Agriculture; Justin H. Smith, Boston, Mass. (The phrase "Southwestern History" is to be interpreted broadly, to include the old Southwest, the far Southwest, and Mexico in its many relations to the United States.)

8 p. m.: Canadian history. Assembly room, Hotel Statler. "Canada or Guadeloupe, an episode of the Seven Years' War," W. L. Grant, Queen's University. "British political factions and the policy of Imperial development, 1763-1775," Clarence W. Alvord, University of Illinois. "The genesis of the confederation of Canada," Cephas D. Allin, University of Minnesota. "Apropos of September 21, 1911," Charles W. Colby, McGill University.

10 p. m.: Smoker at the University Club, Delaware Avenue.

*Friday, December 29.*

10 a. m.: International relations. Historical Building, Delaware Park. "French diplomacy and American politics, 1794-1797," J. A. James, Northwestern University. "The early relations of the United States with Turkey," C. O. Paullin, George Washington University. "American-Japanese relations prior to Perry's advent," Inizo Nitobé, First Imperial College of Japan. "The European reconquest of North Africa," Archibald Cary Coolidge, Harvard University.

12.45 p. m.: Luncheon tendered to the members of the American Historical Association by the Buffalo Historical Society at the Historical Building.

2 p. m.: Conferences.

European history. Private dining room, Hotel Statler. Chairman, J. M. Vincent, Johns Hopkins University. "Relations of Venice and the East," Theodore F. Jones, New York University. "Gomara's chronicle of Charles V.," Roger Merriman, Harvard University. "Materials for the history of Germany in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries," Sidney B. Fay, Dartmouth College. "Anglo-Dutch relations, 1671-1672," Edwin W. Pahlow, Lawrenceville, N. J. "Religious persecutions under the Clarendon code," Albert C. Dudley, Johns Hopkins University. "Factions in the privy council under Elizabeth," Conyers Read, University of Chicago. General discussion: Methods of encouraging investigation.

State and local historical societies. Historical Building. Chairman, Isaac J. Cox, University of Cincinnati. I. Report of the secretary, Waldo G. Leland, Carnegie Institution of Washington. II. Report of committee on cooperation between historical societies, by the chairman, Dunbar Rowland, department of archives and history,

Jackson, Miss. III. "The building for a local historical society; what should it contain?" (a) "In its library," Clarence S. Brigham, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.; (b) "In its auditorium and office rooms," Frank H. Severance, Buffalo Historical Society; (c) "Experiences suggested by the Library of Congress," Bernard R. Green, Superintendent, Washington, D. C.; (d) General discussion. IV. "The productive work of the hereditary patriotic societies of the colonial period, of the Revolution, and of the War of 1812," Harry Brent Mackoy, Covington, Ky. Discussion: (a) "The hereditary patriotic societies and educational institutions," William Libbey, Princeton University, general secretary of the Sons of the Revolution; (b) "The hereditary patriotic societies and historical organizations," Robert D. W. Conner, North Carolina Historical Commission, Raleigh, N. C.; (c) Barlow Cumberland, president of the Ontario Historical Society, Port Hope, Ontario; (d) general discussion.

Teachers of history. Hemicycle, Albright Art Gallery. Chairman, Edward Carlton Page, Northern Illinois State Normal School. I. Introductory statement by the chairman. II. The report of the committee of eight: (a) "Ought it to be followed by the elementary schools?" J. Montgomery Gambrill, Baltimore Polytechnic Institute (discussion led by Julia A. King, Michigan State Normal College); (b) "If so, how shall the professional schools prepare their pupils to teach in accordance therewith?" Carl E. Pray, Wisconsin State Normal School, Milwaukee (discussion led by Sarah A. Dynes, New Jersey State Normal and Model School); (c) general discussion, to be closed by James A. James, Northwestern University.

4 p. m.: Annual business meeting of the American Historical Association. Assembly room.

1. Report of the secretary, Waldo G. Leland.
2. Report of the secretary of the council, Charles H. Haskins.
3. Report of the treasurer, Clarence W. Bowen.
4. Report of the auditing committee.
5. Report of the Pacific coast branch.
6. Report of the historical manuscripts commission, Worthington C. Ford, chairman.
7. Report of the public archives commission, Herman V. Ames, chairman.
8. Report of the committee on publications, William A. Dunning.
9. Report of the board of editors of the American Historical Review, George B. Adams.
10. Report of the committee on bibliography, Ernest C. Richardson.
11. Report of the committee on a bibliography of modern English history, Edward P. Cheyney.
12. Report of the editor of reprints of Original Narratives of Early American History, J. Franklin Jameson.
13. Report of the general committee, St. George L. Sioussat, chairman.
14. Report of the committee on the Herbert Baxter Adams prize, with announcement of award for 1911, George L. Burr, chairman.
15. Report of committee on nominations.
16. Election of officers for 1912.
17. Announcements of appointments to committees for 1912, the secretary of the council.

8 p. m. (Joint session with the American Political Science Association): Spanish America. Assembly room. "Relations of England with Spanish America between 1720 and 1740." H. W. V. Temperley, fellow of Peterhouse, Cambridge University. "Europe and Spanish America in 1822-1824," W. S. Robertson, University of Illinois. "The difficulties of diplomatic relations with Latin America," Philip M. Brown, recently United States minister to Honduras. "The Latin-American point of view," Henry Gil, National University of La Plata.

10 p. m.: Smoker at the Buffalo Club, 388 Delaware Avenue.



*Saturday, December 30.*

9 a. m.: Train from Lehigh Valley Station, due to reach Ithaca about 12 m. (breakfast car).

1 p. m.: Luncheon tendered by Cornell University. Sage College.

2.15 p. m.: European history. Room B, Goldwin Smith Hall. "François de Guise and the taking of Calais," Paul van Dyke, Princeton University. "The political theories of Calvinists," Herbert D. Foster, Dartmouth College. "The numerical decline of dissent in England previous to the industrial revolution," C. E. Fryer, McGill University. "Sources for the history of the English cabinet in the eighteenth century," Edward Raymond Turner, University of Michigan. "The Napoleonic university," Victor Coffin, University of Wisconsin.

4.30 p. m.: Reception by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew D. White.

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, HELD AT THE HOTEL STATLER, IN BUFFALO, N. Y., DECEMBER 29, 1911, AT 4.15 P. M., PRESIDENT W. M. SLOANE IN THE CHAIR.**

The report of the secretary, Mr. W. G. Leland, was read and showed a total membership of 2,905 as against 2,925 for 1910.

The following telegram from the Oregon Historical Society was received and read:

"With citizens of this place, the Oregon Historical Society is celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of the entrance of Americans into Powder River Valley. This was the overland section of the Astor expedition, led by Wilson Price Hunt. We send you greetings.

"GEORGE H. HIMES, *Assistant Secretary.*

"T. C. ELLIOTT, *Director.*"

The secretary of the council, Prof. C. H. Haskins, reported that the council had held three meetings during the past year. The committee on historic sites, of which President Edwin E. Sparks is chairman, had presented a report which it was expected would eventually be published in the annual report and the committee had been discharged. The committee on a bibliography of travels had reported to the council in favor of the preparation of a systematic card catalogue of travels, in charge of a general editor, to be carried out under the direction of the committee on bibliography. The committee on the work of European historical societies, Dr. J. F. Jameson, chairman, had reported a list of societies in Great Britain and Europe, which would be printed in the next volume of the annual report. The council, upon considering the report of the committee on the certification of high-school teachers of history, Prof. D. C. Munro, chairman, had voted to express its approval of the efforts being made to secure a better preparation on the part of teachers of history in elementary and secondary schools, and had appointed a committee on the preparation of teachers on history in schools to advise with and cooperate with similar committees of local associations of teachers; but it was understood that the committee should have no authority to set up any specific standards of preparation without further action by the council.

The secretary of the council then offered on behalf of the council the following votes, which were adopted by the association:

*Voted:* That the American Historical Association ought to participate in the publication of the History Teachers' Magazine.

*Voted:* That the association will appropriate \$600 annually for this purpose upon the following conditions: (1) That an annual guaranty fund of \$600 be raised; (2) that the price of general subscription for the magazine be \$2 a year; (3) that the magazine be offered to members of the American Historical Association at \$1 a year; (4) that local and regional associations of history teachers be requested to make