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January 4, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

We are very anxious to hear what luck you had in getting articles for the Review from the Cincinnati meeting. We should like to begin work on the papers for the March number very soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvord returned from Mudlavia yesterday. Mr. Alvord's health is considerably improved but he is still far from well. They plan to leave for a month or six weeks in Florida just as soon as Mr. Alvord can get his teeth fixed.

Sincerely yours,

Lila C. White

LOW:ES

I think it will be all right to write to Mr. Alvord about the Review right away. He wants to know about it before he leaves for Florida.

Alvord

January 4, 1916

Miss Lella C. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

Learning that Mr. Alvord was likely to be at Mudavia, I made no attempt to see him on my way back from Cincinnati, as I was afraid it might not be desirable for him to talk business.

We had a joint meeting of the executive committee and board of editors of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association at Cincinnati, and as a result there are a number of matters of importance concerning the Review which I want to take up with him personally just as soon as he is able to consider them. I will appreciate it very much, therefore, if you will let me know as soon as he is in shape to give his attention to this matter

Sincerely yours

Wood

January 5, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I was not able to accomplish much at the Cincinnati meeting in the matter of securing papers for the Mississippi Valley Historical Review, first, because there were few papers in the field of the Review presented, and secondly, because I was too busy doing other things to listen to papers.

I enclose herewith a copy of the program, on pages 1 and 6 of which I have checked some papers which might be desirable. I would suggest that you write to the authors of these papers and ask them to submit the papers for consideration. There is no question, of course, but what we are entitled to use the papers read at the joint meeting if we so desire, and I am quite sure that Shearer's paper on "American Historical Periodicals" could be secured. The A. H. A. would have first claim, I suppose, to papers checked on page 1. ✓

I also took the liberty of suggesting to Mr. Kellar and to one or two other people that they prepare papers for the Mississippi Valley Historical Review.

Mr. Sioussat made a suggestion which seems to me to be a good one. It is that from now on the historical activities articles be printed in small type and relegated to the back of the magazine.

Sincerely yours

C. W. A? 1/1/8/17

I think it very important that the Proceedings come out with the March Review, if in any way possible. I spoke to Greene about it and he thought that your staff would be too busy to handle the matter at this time. In case that is the situation, I would suggest that you ask some other member of the board of editors to take charge of it. I would be willing to undertake it myself if no other satisfactory arrangement can be made.

Sincerely yours

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January 10, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

The manuscript for all of the chapters will leave our hands January 11 and I have made arrangements with the printer to send one set of proof direct to you. Will you kindly look it over at your earliest convenience and return it to me? We will attempt to incorporate the changes you make in our set, but Mr. Greene says that we cannot hold any proof if yours is late.

X
In one place you speak of "Regular" Baptists and separating Baptists. Is "separating" to be treated like "Regular", that is, should it be put in quotation marks and capitalized? In Chapter IX, "The Convention Campaign," you say: "The election took place on January 6, 7, and 8. The only polls in each county were held at the county seat and the voting was viva voce. The vote of each election was recorded and proclaimed aloud by the sheriff. This system, which was used in several of the southern states, had been substituted by election by ballot by a law passed by the Territorial legislature in -----." The note says, "Reference to be looked up and date supplied by S. J. B."

On Monday we are planning to have a conference with the photographer and printer regarding the photographs. I expect proof from the printer any day.

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodsdon

REH:ES

P.S. - In regard to the census schedules for Madison county which you quote from in the text you say in your original footnote - "Original schedule in rec. of state's office. Transcript in C. H. S." Search has failed to disclose any such transcript.

R. E. H.

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January 11, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Mr. Alvord thinks it best, since you are willing, for you to take charge of the Proceedings. I am accordingly sending you by express the reports and papers which we have here. I have noted, on Mr. Bond's account, the disposition of the papers that appeared on the program but, ^{which} are not among those I am sending you. Repeated inquiries have brought no response from Mr. Bradford of Miami University, so that I suspect his paper, like mine, was never written. I have written to Mr. Pelzer and also to Mr. Myers to ask where their articles have been printed.

It is Mr. Alvord's idea that if you will arrange the manuscripts, this office will take care of the proof reading and will see to harmonizing ~~the~~ typographical form with that of the Review.

Sincerely yours,

Lila A. White

LOW:ES

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THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY
HISTORICAL REVIEW

CLARENCE W. ALVORD
MANAGING EDITOR

416 LINCOLN HALL URBANA, ILLINOIS

January 12, 1917.

The Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

In March the Mississippi Valley Historical Review will finish its third year, and at that time most of the subscriptions to the guaranty fund will lapse. Since the financial statement of the secretary-treasurer of the Association shows that the Review has not yet reached an independent basis it will be necessary to discontinue the periodical unless further guarantees can be obtained. Accordingly I am writing to submit the question of your continuing as a guarantor of the Review for another three year period.

So many letters of commendation have been received in the editorial office that I feel sure the Review has proved itself worthy as the organ of the scientific historians of the west; it has encouraged cooperation among historical scholars and has brought out a number of valuable articles which would otherwise never have been written. Let me call your attention to a number of statements which have been made at various times about the Review:

J. Franklin Jameson, Ph. D.,
Managing Editor, American Historical Review,
Washington, District of Columbia.

The Mississippi Valley Historical Review appears to me to have already established itself in the minds of historical students as a well-planned, well-executed and interesting journal. It occupies a distinctive field, which has a unity of its own and very great importance. Every one who wishes well to the progress of American historical scholarship, must surely wish great prosperity to this excellent journal.

Lawrence J. Burpee,
International Joint Commission,
Ottawa, Canada.

The Mississippi Valley Historical Association seems to be doing good work in an admirable way. Its publications,

the Proceedings and the Review, leave little if anything to be desired. The Review is particularly worthy of commendation, and may fairly be said to rank with the half dozen really good reviews published on the North American continent.

Charles M. Andrews, Ph. D.,
New Haven, Connecticut.

The enterprise and activity of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association are matters of genuine satisfaction to every student of history in America, whether he lives east of the Alleghanies or west of the Rockies. Its publications are dignified and scholarly and among the best that we have. They are ably edited, contain articles of wide historical importance, and are printed in a manner representative of the best typographical standards.

Edward S. Corwin, Ph. D.,
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey.

It is indeed a publication of which too many kind things can hardly be said. Its bibliographical articles and its reviews are especially noteworthy.

Frederic L. Paxson, Ph. D.,
University of Wisconsin,
Madison, Wisconsin.

I have not heard from any quarter even so much as a suggestion that the Review ought not to be continued. It appears to me, and I was one of the original doubters, as you know, that you have made an excellent scholarly success out of the Review, and I shall be greatly disappointed if it does not continue indefinitely.

Although the fiscal year of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association does not close until May, the secretary-treasurer made an informal report at a meeting of the Association in December. From this report it appears that at the end of the fiscal year the Association will have performed all its duties, and will be clear of debt. I am enclosing on a separate sheet the itemized financial statement.

During the past three years perfect harmony has been maintained among the board of editors and between the board of editors and the members of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association. Everyone closely connected with the publication of the Review is enthusiastic for its continuance.

3 - The Minnesota Historical Society.

So far as I am concerned, it was my original intention to lay down the duties of managing editor at the end of the first three years, since I expected that the Review would by that time be established on a sound financial basis. Since this expectation has not been fulfilled, it would seem advisable for me to continue my connection with the Review, if it continues to be published. I assure the guarantors that I will not sever my close association with the enterprise so long as it requires their assistance.

I hope that you will consider carefully the desirability of continuing the Review, and that you will be inclined to assist the undertaking by renewing your subscription to the guaranty fund.

Sincerely yours,

C. W. Alvord

CWA:ES

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Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

Financial statement from May 1, 1916 to December 1, 1916.

Balance on hand from previous report, April 30, 1916.....	223.02
Cash received from May 1, 1916 to Dec. 1, 1916.....	
Membership dues, advertising, exchange, etc.....	1814.34
Guaranty fund.....	1212.50
	<u>\$3249.86</u>

Disbursements.

Printing publications.....	2025.41
Clerical work both offices.....	463.50
Miscellaneous printing.....	31.60
Postage & express.....	70.39
Office supplies.....	2.75
Traveling expense.....	110.19
Bills payable C. S. Paine.....	305.25
Miscellaneous expenses.....	10.75
	<u>3019.84</u>
	balance
	<u>\$ 230.02</u>

There are at present about 625 members in good standing. As the result of a campaign recently inaugurated to increase the membership of the association, which includes subscription to the Review, the secretary-treasurer considers it probable that by June, 1917, there will be at least 700 paying members.

Wood

January 16, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I have your letter of the
eleventh relative to the M. V. H. A. Proceedings,
and have also received the copy. I am glad to
know that your office will take care of the
proof reading, etc. If you hear from Pelzer
or Myers, please forward the information to me.

Sincerely yours

Alford

January 19, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I received yesterday afternoon the proof of chapter 1 and part of chapter 2, and spent last evening looking it over. I find that a number of radical changes have been made since the manuscript left my hands and, in some cases, I doubt the accuracy of the statements which have been made. I certainly do not want to be held responsible for such material without having an opportunity to compare it with the original manuscript.

This makes it absolutely essential that you return to me at once my original manuscript of chapters 1-6, 10 and 11. I have asked for the return of these once or twice before, but my requests have been ignored. I assume that they were copied and, as you have the copies, I do not see why it should be necessary for you to retain the original drafts. I now have my manuscript of chapters 7, 8, and 9, which were copied while I was in Illinois last summer. If you can get along without the originals of these chapters, I should think the same would be true of the others. It is, of course, quite futile for me to attempt to do anything with the proof when I have absolutely nothing to go by, and I certainly feel that an author is entitled to know what changes have been made in his manuscript.

My understanding with Professor Alford last summer was that the manuscript, after receiving editorial revision, would be returned to me for final examination before being sent to the press. As you know, this was not done, due, I suppose, to Professor Alford's illness and the consequent delay of the editorial work. In view of this situation, however, I feel that I am quite justified in insisting upon being given the opportunity to compare the material in proof with the manuscript as originally submitted by me.

I received the map of "Settlement in Illinois" which you asked me to revise and explain. I should be glad to do this, but it will be quite impossible unless you return to me the chapter on "The Extent of Settlement" which it is intended to illustrate. Likewise your question about the Baptists would

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be difficult to answer without an opportunity to see the sentence in its context. The remaining questions in your letter of January 10 will be answered in a few days.

Sincerely yours

January 20, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I have looked over the material for the M. V. H. A. Proceedings and have worked carefully through Bond's account of the meeting, the minutes, and the secretary-treasurer's report.

Now I want to consult with you about a number of matters. In the first place, am I to understand that all the papers sent to me have been rejected for the Review? If any of these papers were considered desirable for publication in later numbers of the Review, they might well be held out for that purpose. My plan at present is to begin the volume with Bond's narrative account of the meeting, with his summaries of all the papers, even including those published in the volume. At first I thought of cutting out these summaries, except for the papers published elsewhere, but Bond has done the work so well and so little space would be saved, that it seems to me better to leave the account as it is. This will be followed by "Minutes of business transacted by the society and its executive committee", from which all reference to papers read will be eliminated in order not to duplicate material in the narrative account of the meeting. Minor reports of committees will probably follow immediately after these minutes; then will come the secretary-treasurer's report and "Papers and Addresses".

Now about some of the papers. I notice that Myers' paper on "The Ethics of Peace and the Ethics of War" is made up from mounted clippings from which I infer that it has been published somewhere. Do you know where? The paper is endorsed "no" in Professor Alvord's hand. I take it that means that he rejected it for the Review, but not necessarily that it should be excluded from the Proceedings. Winton's paper on "The present situation in Mexico" is endorsed "Not to be published". Does this refer merely to the Review, or does it mean that the paper is not to be published in the Proceedings? If the latter, what is the reason for its exclusion.

Mention is made in Bond's narrative of a paper by himself on "American History and Civics in the rural high schools", of a report of the committee on state historical museums, presented by Mr. Charles E. Brown, and of a report by Violette on

L. O. W. 1/20/17--2

"The place of normal schools in the preparation of high school teachers". None of these three is to be found in the package sent. Do you have any information about any of them?

Among the material sent was a copy of the report of the conference of directors of historical work in the Northwest at Chicago, June 24, 1915. This does not, of course, belong with M. V. H. A. stuff, and I am wondering whether it came from your files or from Mr. Paine's. If your copy of this report is missing from the files, let me know and I will return it.

A reply at your early convenience will be appreciated, as I want to push the work on these Proceedings as rapidly as possible.

Sincerely yours

Alwood

January 22, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am sending you herewith the two colored maps of the Indian sessions made by Linton for the "Illinois in 1818" volume. It seemed to me that these would be too complicated for satisfactory reproduction, and consequently I have made another and simpler map which is also enclosed.

I should like to make a map showing the location of the principal towns and villages, the general region occupied by the different Indian tribes, etc., etc., but cannot do so until the original manuscript is returned to me.

Sincerely yours

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January 22, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have your letter of January 20 and shall try to answer all your inquiries.

All the papers that Mr. Alvord considered desirable for publication in the Review were kept out of the group sent you for the M. V. ^{H.}A. Proceedings. Mrs. Paine has just written that she has found two additional reports which should go with the Proceedings, and I am writing her to send them to you. Perhaps these include Mr. Brown's report on "State Historical Museums," and Mr. Violette's report on "The Place of Normal Schools;" otherwise I think you will have to ask Mr. Bond about these two reports and also about his own paper. I was under the impression that he included his own paper when he returned to this office the material I sent to you.

Mr. Myers has written me that his paper, "The Ethics of Peace and the Ethics of War," was published in installments in the Western Christian Advocate, (Cincinnati), January 19 and 26, 1916. I think it was Mr. Alvord's intention not to publish it in the Proceedings, although if you think best to include it I suppose he would make no objection.

The note on Winton's paper on "The Present Situation in Mexico" refers merely to the Review. Mr. Pelzer has written that although he had intended to publish his paper "Activities and Scenes of Old Fort Leavenworth" through the medium of the Iowa State Historical Society, he has had to give up this project and now intends to submit parts of the manuscript for publication in the Review. There is a possibility, of course, that it will not prove suitable material for the Review, but, everything considered, I should think it might be safe to say that it will appear some time later in the Review, if you feel that it is necessary to account for it in some way.

2 - Dr. Solon J. Buck,

I do not know why the report of the Conference of Directors of Historical Work in the Northwest, June 24, 1915, was included with the Proceedings material unless perhaps some mention was made of this conference at the Nashville meeting. We have our copy in our files so that it must have come from Mr. Paine's office rather than ours.

I am sending under separate cover a paper read by Mr. R. P. Brooks at the Cincinnati meeting. If you can conveniently do so, I wish you would look it over and give me your opinion as to its possibilities for the Review.

Very truly yours,

Lila O. White

LOW:ES

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January 22, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Dr. Buck:

I am sending the remainder of your manuscript, chapters X and XI. Chapters I to VI were sent Friday, January 19. These chapters were essential in our work of checking up your references and we needed chapters VII, VIII, and IX very badly but I had forgotten that you had them and I thought they were lost or had been destroyed. We found many errors in citation and as the first typewritten copy had not been collated with your manuscript, we could not be sure of the references.

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodsdon

RBH:ES

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January 23, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have a few questions that I am unable to answer without some information from you.

In Chapter VI (new number) there appears a citation, Pope to Adams, January 22, 1818 and Adams to Pope, January 23, 1818. Will you kindly tell me where the originals are and whether we are supposed to have the photostats?

In Chapter XI there appears the following quotation:

"I have just been in the upper County of Fosters Circuit. He did not hold any court. the people are much enraged at him indeed and every man all most has made it his own case and have joined in complaint. I saw Judge Foster in Vincennes he tole me the water was too high and that he was too unwell to get to Palestine on time, and that his Son was to unwell to stay from him till after Edwards Court."

X
from the Chicago Historical Society Manuscripts, Volume 53, page 184. This reference is taken from your original manuscript, but upon writing to Chicago the Librarian says there is no page 184 in Volume 53.

2 - Dr. Solon J. Buck.

Can you tell me where this may be found?

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodsdon

REH:ES

January 24, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

Your letter of the twenty-second came this morning, but the package containing chapters 1-5 was apparently delayed by the storm, as it has just this minute arrived. I have been through two installments of proof so far as possible without the manuscript, and received two more this morning. I will try to complete the revision of the first of these tonight and return it to you tomorrow. The work will be pushed as rapidly as possible on my part, but I can see that there is considerable to be done.

I had understood that your copies of chapters 7, 8, and 9 were compared with the original manuscript at the time when they were made, and so did not suppose that you would have need of the original manuscript. I am quite sure, in fact, that these chapters which were copied while I was in Illinois last summer, were so collated. The references for these chapters, if I remember correctly, I wrote out on separate sheets of paper and left them with you. At any rate I do not appear to have them. I would appreciate it, therefore, if you will send these along also, as I will need them when I come to work on these chapters.

Very truly yours

January 25, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

Although your letter of the twenty-second stated that chapters 1-6 of the manuscript were sent on Friday, the package when it arrived contained only chapters 1-5 inclusive. I have received this morning chapters 10 and 11, and notes for chapter 7. Will you kindly see if you can find the manuscript of chapter 6 and the notes to chapters 8 and 9 and forward them to me at once?

With reference to the questions in your letter of January 23 received this morning, the correspondence between Adams and Pope (chapter 6) is from state department archives in Washington, and I think you have photostats of it. I am not sure whether it is Bureau of Indexes of Archives or Bureau of Rolls and Libraries, but I think the former, probably also "Miscellaneous Letters". I will look this up further, however, and make the necessary additions to the note in my copy of the proof.

With reference to the quotation from Chicago Historical Society manuscripts in chapter 11, I will have to refer you to Pease. He furnished me with transcripts of this material from which I took my references. These transcripts I sent to you some time ago, so you can trace the references back to them at least.

I am sending you under separate cover, but by first class mail, the proof of chapters 1 and 2, with the exception of the last galley of chapter 2, which contains also the beginning of chapter 3. I sincerely hope that the changes which I have indicated may be made. I realize that the addition of footnotes will cause trouble in view of the fact that the notes have been numbered consecutively throughout. In order to avoid this difficulty, so far as possible, I have incorporated the references from dropped notes, the retention of which seems to me to be essential, into notes which were saved. Occasionally, however, this was impossible, and here I would suggest that the new notes be inserted with stars, etc., in order not to necessitate the renumbering of all the other notes.

R. E. H. 1/25/17

I will appreciate it very much if you will return this proof to me after you have transferred the changes to the official proof in order that I may have it for reference in the revision of later chapters. I should like very much also to receive a set of the revised galley proof, or if you do not have this made, of first page proof in order that I may know to what extent the changes have been made.

In glancing through the proof of later chapters, I note that, especially in chapter 5, some of the quotations have been set up with short lines. In view of the fact that fully as long quotations have been set up in regular form in the other chapters, it seems to me illogical to follow this form here, and I trust that it may be changed.

I infer from endorsements on the manuscript returned today that a bibliography is being prepared. Am I correct in this? I sincerely hope so, for otherwise, the abbreviated references would be unintelligible to many people. It seems to me important either that there be a bibliography, listing titles in full, or that each title be given in full the first time it appears in a footnote. If there is to be a bibliography, I would suggest that the proper place for statements about photostats, etc., in the Illinois Historical Survey, would be there and that such items in the notes could be eliminated. I should like very much to see the copy of the bibliography before it goes to press if this is possible. If not, please let me know the general plan which is being followed.

I want to see proof of the maps.

Sincerely yours

January 25, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

Enclosed herewith find galley ✓
fifteen which was omitted by mistake from the proof
sent you this morning.

Sincerely yours

January 26, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

Thank you for the information about the Proceedings contained in your letter of January 22.

Mrs. Paine has sent me the two additional reports. They are Brown's and Violette's as you suspected. I will write Bond about his. I think that Meyers' paper had better be omitted, particularly as it had been printed before it was read at the meeting. The paper by Brooks, which you state you are sending, has not reached me as yet. I will look it over as soon as I can. At present, however, I am spending all my time on the proof of "Illinois in 1818."

Sincerely yours

P. S. Since dictating the above, the Brooks paper has arrived.

January 26, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am sending you herewith galleys 29-30 inclusive, covering chapter 3 with the exception of the end which is on the same galley with the beginning of chapter 4.

I will appreciate it very much if you will let me know as soon as possible what the decision is with reference to the restoration of such of the note references as I have indicated on the proof. This information will affect my preface which Mr. Greene has asked me to send on the first of the week. ^{early} A reply to my question about a bibliography, unless you have already answered it, is also requested.

Such of your questions as I have not yet replied to can best be answered, I think, on the proof when I get to it.

Sincerely yours

January 27, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am sending you under separate cover galleys 31-56 inclusive, covering chapters 4 and 5. As I have not yet received the manuscript of chapter 6, I am obliged to hold that up for the present, but am working on the succeeding chapters.

I do not like at all the idea of having part of the quotations set up in short lines, particularly as there is no apparent principle upon which the distinction has been made between those to be set up thus and as regular parts of the text; nor does it seem to me necessary or desirable to attempt to reproduce all the typographical peculiarities of newspaper items. I trust, therefore, that it may be possible to have this material rearranged as I have indicated.

I take it that the omission of quotation marks at the beginning of new paragraphs in quotations was a mistake. It is certainly universal practice to include them.

With reference to the footnotes, should it be decided to renumber them, I would suggest one of the following plans, either of which would avoid the use of numerals with three digits. (1) Number the notes in each chapter separately, beginning with one and running to the end of the chapter; or, (2) number from one to ninety-nine and then begin over again with one. I have seen both of these methods used, but I prefer the first.

I am hoping to receive chapter 6 of the manuscript on Monday and also to hear from you about the footnotes and bibliography. The map of settlement will be sent to you Monday.

I want to say that I think some very good work has been done by the editorial staff, particularly in the elimination of infelicities of style. If the changes which I have indicated can be made in the main, I believe that the book will be a credit to all concerned.

Sincerely yours

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January 27, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I received your letters and package of galley proof, 1-19, inclusive, and am sending you manuscript of chapters 6, and 8, 9 (footnotes). The bibliography has been made and is being printed and you will receive it within a day or two. I tried to get every source you had used in the footnotes that were cut out, as well as those that were cited. As far as I know now you will have the privilege of inserting other sources in your galley proof if you give all the information that our style demands.

You need not return the next set of galley proof until the end of next week, so I will receive it by Feb. 5. This will give you a little longer time to read it.

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodson

January 30, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am returning to you herewith the map to accompany chapter 3 on "Extent of Settlement". Attached to it you will find a sheet of explanations and suggestions which will be satisfactory, I hope.

I was very glad, indeed, to learn that a bibliography has been prepared. In view of this fact, I think it would be well to eliminate all statements about photostats in the Illinois Historical Survey, etc., from the notes and include them in the bibliography.

I have just received chapter 6 and the footnotes of chapters 8 and 9. In the meantime, I have nearly completed my work on chapters 7 and 10. I was very glad to know that you were not yet ready for more of the proof, as I have a batch of examination papers on my hands just now. The chapters will be sent along as fast as I get through with them, however.

I am very anxious to know to what extent in general, the changes which I have indicated are being incorporated, especially with reference to the footnotes.

Sincerely yours

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January 30, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I received your proof and letters yesterday. I presume you have the chapters and my letter about the bibliography. I did not go into any detail about the latter, but that is impossible without explaining at great length, and time just now is the one thing I do not have. We have collated the proof with our manuscript and are now reading it with more care. Many of the mistakes you noted were errors made by the printer.

As to the additional footnotes, I put that up to Professor Greene and he, I believe will write to you regarding that. I regret very much that I had to hurry so with the manuscript, for it is a very sloppy piece of editorial work, but when I had Professor Greene, the state printer, and our printer demanding the manuscript I had to let it go without doing very much revising.

In regard to the footnotes that were left, Professor Alvord and Miss White decided what should be cut out and I do not know what system they used.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth E. Hodson

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January 30, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Mr. Alvord has had a letter from
Mr. Powers of the Torch Press asking when he
may expect copy for the Mississippi Valley His-
torical Association Proceedings. He says that
if they are to be printed before the next annual
meeting of the Association, it will be neces-
sary to begin work on them very soon. Can you
give me some idea as to how soon you will be
able to send the material to us?

Sincerely yours,

Leila O. White

LOW:MJ

January 31, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am sending you herewith galleys 57-73 inclusive, containing chapters 6 and 7. ✓

Some of the questions in your letters of January 10 and January 23 have been answered on this proof. I have also succeeded in finding the transcripts of the schedules of the census of 1818 about which you inquired, and I am sending them to you by express. ✓ They were made by Miss Gorman and revised and collated last summer by Miss Relf. The originals are in the office of the secretary of state in Springfield.

I received proof of the bibliography this morning.

Sincerely yours

P. S. Your letter of January 30 has just arrived. I fully realize the pressure under which the editorial work was done and that you are not to be held responsible. I believe that if I could have talked with Professor Alvord, I could have convinced him of the desirability of handling the footnotes somewhat differently

January 31, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I am returning to you under separate cover, the paper by R. P. Brooks on "Howell Cobb and the Crisis of 1850" ✓

I have read enough of this to convince me that it is an excellent piece of work and well worthy of inclusion in the Mississippi Valley Historical Review.

Sincerely yours

P. S. I am enclosing a letter to Professor Alvord, ✓
which I should be glad to have you read and then forward to him if you think proper.

February 3, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I have your letter of January 30, inquiring about copy for the M. V. H. A. Proceedings. I have been unable to do anything with this since I last wrote you about it because of the pressure of the Illinois in 1818 work. I hope to tackle it again in a day or two, however.

I think perhaps it would be well for me to take down the titles and other data which I will need of some of the papers and then return them to you in order that you may begin the work of standardizing the footnotes, etc. It seems to me that the duties of the editor of a volume like this are quite different from those of the editor of the Review. In the latter case, the editor has more responsibility because he has an opportunity to accept or reject articles and, therefore, is justified in revising them to some extent if necessary in order to make them come up to his standards. On the other hand, as all the papers presented at the meeting and not elsewhere printed, are supposed to be printed in the Proceedings, the editor has no choice in the matter and the responsibility rests with the author. I think, therefore, that the editorial work should be confined to a standardization of the footnotes and the typographical style of the text, together with such other changes as may be necessary to eliminate ungrammatical expressions.

While the style of the Review is to be used in general, I think that the name of the author should follow the title of the paper, as it has in previous issues of the Proceedings instead of being placed at the end of the article as in the Review.

Do you expect that Professor Alverd will be back in time to give any attention to this volume?

Sincerely yours

✓

February 6, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I am sending you under separate cover four of the papers to be printed in the M. V. H. A. Proceedings. I have done nothing with these, except to take down author and title for inclusion in the table of contents.

If you think it will be impossible for all of the material in this volume to be put in shape for the press in time for it to be distributed with the March number of the Review, I could arrange to have some of the standardization of the footnotes, style, etc., done here. I am quite sure that we could follow the style used in the Review without any difficulty.

Please let me know what you think about this. I am very anxious to have it come out as a supplement to the March number, and in order to save postage, it will be necessary for it to be distributed in the same wrappers with an issue of the Review.

Sincerely yours

February 6, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am sending you under separate cover ✓
galley 74-112 inclusive, which completes the text.

I have been able to solve all problems except that of the
reference to the election law passed by the territorial legis-
lature (galley 92). I find that the preamble as quoted was
taken from Agis's communication in the Intelligencer. It was
my intention to look up the law itself in order to secure the
date and reference, and to collate the quotation. The necess-
ary books, however, are neither here nor in Urbana, but in
Springfield.

The enclosed copy of a letter which I have written to ✓
Mrs. Weber will explain the situation. ^{If} if you hear from her
in time, please insert the date and reference, and correct the
quotation. If not, let it go as I have indicated on the galley.

Sincerely yours

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February 7, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I am returning to you the galley proofs of 2-40, Mr. Pease having sent galley 1. I should like to have your manuscript as soon as possible, for we need it in revision of the proof; at least send the earlier chapters that you are through with.

You have doubtless received the bibliography before this. Pay no attention to the alphabetical order, as one of the boys who did it did not do a very good job. The printer made several errors that are quite obvious.

I received the census record a few days ago.

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodson
editorial assistant.

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February 7, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have your letter of February 3.
Thank you for your suggestion concerning the
Proceedings. Mr. Alvord does not expect to
return until after March 1. If the weather is
severe he may remain for a month longer, so
that I do not expect that he will be able to
give any attention to the Proceedings.

I have forwarded your letter in re-
gard to the Mississippi Valley Historical
Review guaranty.

Sincerely yours,

Lila Q. White

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February 8, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

It will be entirely satisfactory with us if your office can arrange to standardize the footnotes, etc., for the remaining papers of the Proceedings. I think, in fact, that it will be necessary for you to do this if the Proceedings are to be distributed with the March number of the Review, as a good share of the copy for the Review is already in galley proof. I think it will be advisable, however, to send the manuscript here for a final going over before sending it to press.

Sincerely yours,

Lila C. White

LOW:ES

February 9, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I have your letter of the seventh and also galleys 2-40 inclusive. I shall tackle them at once for the bibliography.

I want to call your attention to a correction of mine on galley 5 which, from the fact that "stet" is written in the margin, I conclude has not been accepted. This is about the middle of the galley and has to do with Governor Edwards' position as ex officio superintendent of Indian affairs. I desired to strike out the clause "within the limits of the territory" because this is contrary to fact and is inconsistent with the statement a few sentences further on to the effect that the agents at Green Bay and Chicago were under Governor Cass.

I am returning to you by express the original manuscript entire. I did not understand that you wanted it back or I should have sent it before. I should like to have this manuscript preserved and finally returned to me after the book is printed.

You do not say in your letter whether or not you desire this galley proof returned to you again. If so, please let

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me know. I trust that you will have a set of revised galley sent to me, if possible.

Sincerely yours

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420 Lincoln Hall,
Urbana, Illinois.
February 9, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

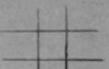
I am enclosing a carbon of the inscription
that is to accompany the large map in Illinois in 1818.
If there are any errors in it will you kindly return it at
once with your corrections?

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodsdon
editorial assistant.

LANDS ENTERED IN ILLINOIS
1818

Tracts in the Edwardsville district have been taken from the Tract Book, those in the Kaskaskia district from the Application Books, and those in the Shawneetown district from the Tract Book and Entry Books. These records are in the auditor's office, Springfield, Illinois. Entries in the Illinois part of the Vincennes district have been plotted from the Entry Books in the general land office, Washington, D. C. Lands included in the old surveys have been plotted from copies of the plats in the surveyor's office, St. Louis, made for and certified by F. R. Conway, surveyor of the public lands in the states of Illinois and Missouri, February 7, 1848 (bound volume in the auditor's office, Springfield). The boundaries of the Wabash saline reservation have been taken from American State Papers, Public Lands, 3:270.

- Land office districts and reservations.
- Present county boundaries.
-  Townships.
-  Tracts entered prior to January 1, 1819.

February 13, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I have been working on the Proceedings and have the preliminary matter nearly ready. Miss Kile is working on the footnotes, etc.

I think it very important, and I am sure the other members of the board would agree with me in this, that the Proceedings be distributed with the March number of the Review, even though it should be necessary to hold up that issue of the Review for several weeks. The principal reason for bringing out the Proceedings as a supplement to the Review is to save a considerable sum of money in postage. In order to secure second class rates, however, it is necessary that it be distributed in the same wrappers with an issue of the Review. If it is not distributed with the March number, it will have to wait until the June issue, which will bring it out after the annual meeting.

Sincerely yours

February 13, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I received the carbon of the inscription to accompany the large map this morning and so far as I can tell, it is entirely satisfactory.

I have done all that I can on the bibliography until I receive back the rest of the proof.

I note your comment with reference to "transhipment". I find that the dictionaries give both forms as correct. I should prefer only one "s"--for appearances' sake--but have no desire to insist upon it.

Sincerely yours

February 15, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

Under separate cover I am sending you the first part of the manuscript for the Proceedings. This includes the preliminary matter, Bond's account of the meeting, ~~minutes~~ ^{minutes} of business transacted, reports of secretary-treasurer and of two committees, and the papers of Robertson and Winton. This, with the papers which you have, arranged in the order which I have indicated in the table of contents, will make considerably over half the book, and I would suggest that you send this to the press without waiting for the remainder. The papers which I still have will be ready to be sent to you in a few days.

I am not sure that I have comprehended the style of the Review with reference to capitalization, but you will doubtless note any slips as you look it over. In preparing and arranging the preliminary matter, I have combined to some extent the precedents of the Review and the Proceedings. Contrary to what I wrote you recently, I now think it best to put the names of the authors at the end of the articles as signatures as is done in the Review. Since the work is to be a supplement to rather than a part of the Review, it seems to me that the word "Review", when it appears, should be in italics rather than in small caps.

For the running heads, I should like to have the form of the Review followed, bringing in the names of the authors. This seems particularly desirable when the names do not appear at the beginning of the article.

You will note that I have condensed the lists of officers by omitting titles and institutions. I have added, however, the officers and committees for 1916-17, although this has not been customary in the past. The American Historical Association reports always give the officers elected at the meeting reported instead of those which served during the year covered by the volume. This, and the list of committees, seems to me very desirable for convenience of reference. Since it has not been done in the past, however, it is necessary to include also the officers for 1915-16.

L. O. W. 2/15/17

I am hoping to receive from Paxson the names of the nominating committee for 1916-17 which can be inserted at the end of the committee lists.

Instead of indicating where papers not included in the volume have been printed by means of footnotes attached to Bond's account of the meeting, it has seemed best to follow a precedent established by Shambaugh in the Proceedings for 1913-14; that is, I have included all of these papers in the table of contents (at the end, however, instead of at the beginning), as was the case in 1913-14) and intend to have a couple of pages at the end of the book on which the omitted articles will be printed by titles, together with reference to place of publication, as in the Proceedings for 1913-14, page 51. I have these pages prepared and will send them along with the rest of the manuscript.

This method has the advantage of making the table of contents a complete record of the meeting, and also gives a little more prominence to the articles omitted than would be done by footnotes. One object in this is to obviate criticisms which have been made of the policy of omitting papers printed elsewhere. I have included in the volume one committee report in spite of the fact that it was printed elsewhere because this is part of the official business of the association.

You will note that I have marked all these committee reports and the report of the secretary-treasurer for ten point type instead of eleven point.

To come back to the matter of running heads. In the place of "M. V. H. R. vol.--, no. --," as used in the Review, please substitute "M. V. H. A. 1915-16." This will enable anyone using the completed volume containing Proceedings for several years to tell at a glance which years Proceedings are before him.

For the cover I should like to have the same papers ^{as} used before Proceedings in the Review proper. also to distinguish the issue from the Review proper.

Please insert in the preface the name or names of anyone else who works on the manuscript or will assist you in the proof reading. As I understand it, the reading of proof with copy will be done in your office. I should like, however, to have you request the printers to send galley proof to me also.

L. O. W. 2/15/17--3

If you still ~~have~~ any doubt as to the feasibility of distributing these Proceedings with the March issue of the Review, please let me know at once, as I would then want to take up the matter with the other members of the board of editors. Unless I hear from you further on this point, I will assume that the March number of the Review will be held up until the Proceedings are ready.

Sincerely yours

P. S. I am sending the manuscript by express collect, as I assume that you have M. V. H. A. funds to take care of such expenses.

Will you kindly tell me the rate per hour which is paid for clerical work for the M. V. H. A? The Minnesota Historical Society will contribute the work of the typist, but I will have to submit a small bill for Miss Kile's services, as she is doing the work outside of her regular hours.

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If you still have any doubt as to the feasibility of
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February 15, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I think it will be entirely possible to get out both the March number of the Review and the Proceedings before the annual meeting in April. The Review will probably be ready for press some little time before the Proceedings but that will mean that Miss Hodsdon and I will have our hands free to rush through the copy for the Proceedings as soon as it reaches us.

In regard to the M. V. H. A. guaranty fund, Mr. Alvord has written that he would very greatly prefer to have the Minnesota Historical Society renew its contribution without conditions. Mrs. Paine has written that she thinks it may be possible to manage with a smaller guaranty fund but that she thinks it would be much safer to try for the full \$2000. As Mrs. Paine may have written you, she expects to be in Minnesota the last of this

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month. Possibly you can talk the matter over together then.

Very truly yours,

Leila Q. White

LOW:ES

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February 17, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have your letter of February 15.
The manuscript has not yet reached us but will probably arrive within a day or two. I think there is now no question but that the Proceedings can come out as a supplement to the March Review.

We have noted your suggestions as to form and will try to carry them out. Are we correct in assuming that an index is to be made for the volume?

We receive two sets of galley proof and can therefore send you one set without any difficulty provided we do not have to send galley proof to the authors of the various articles. Had you meant to have the proof referred to the authors at all?

It has been customary for the Association

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to pay fifty cents an hour for the sort of
work we do in this office.

Very truly yours,

Leila O. White

LOW:ES

P.S. Manuscript is here.

February 19, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I am sending you by express the remainder of the manuscript for the M. V. H. A. Proceedings; the last two pages contain the material to be printed "By title."

I have received your letters of the fifteenth and seventeenth, and am very glad to know that you think it will be quite possible to get the thing out with the March number of the Review. It was my plan, as you have doubtless discovered, from the preface, that no index should be made at this time, but that the Proceedings for the next three or four years should be treated as one volume and indexed together. This will certainly be more convenient to the "ultimate consumer" than a number of separate indexes.

Since you will give the final revision to the manuscript before it goes in, I have not taken the time to go over Miss Kile's work. In some cases, especially with reference to capitalization, neither of us felt sure as to the style of the Review, and so left the matter for you to decide. Two of the articles now sent in contained sub-headings. I cut these out of Fleming's, but not the other one, Souby's; that seemed to be needed and can go in I suppose in small caps.

I will leave to you the decision as to what to do with long quotations in these articles; whether to set them in smaller type without quotation marks or in regular type with quotation marks. I have no particular preference in the matter, but think some definite rule should be followed throughout.

Unless you make more radical changes in the articles than we have made, it seems to me unnecessary to submit proof to the authors, and to do so would almost certainly delay the appearance of the volume. I am in hopes that the Proceedings will not run over 175 or 200 pages, which will be little larger than an issue of the Review. If it is going to run much larger than this, it might be well to set the whole thing in ten point instead of eleven point.

Sincerely yours

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February 21, 1917

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Part of a paragraph of galley proof 86
reads thus:

... "The returns for Madison county
were padded in a different way. To his regular
report the commissioner added, by way of post-
script, that "from good information," there were
680 Souls at Fort Crawford, 70 at Fort Edwards,
and 80 at Fort Clark, "making in the whole 5456
souls within the boundary of Madison County."

The "5456 souls within the boundary
of Madison County" which is in a quote is not
borne out by the census which you sent me. I
am enclosing an exact reproduction of that part
of the census. The figures in pencil were put
in in pencil on the census. The question is,
then, should 5456 be 5466 as in the original, or
5496 as in the revised number, or is it correct
as it stands?

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodsdon

REH:ES

I beg leave further to state from good information that there
are at Fort Crawford -----680 Souls

Fort Armstrong 150 Souls

Fort Edwards 70 "

do Clark 80 "

Makeing in the whole 5466 Souls within the boundury of

Madison County

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5496

J. B.

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February 22, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Miss White tells me that you are considering holding up the distribution of the Review until the Proceedings appears so that postage may be saved. As I have charge of all editorial work done in this office and am responsible for the Review, I wish it to come out as nearly on time as possible. I have received complaints on the delayed appearance of the December number and have made every effort to get the March number out during the first week of the month, in spite of the fact that there is a complicated index to be done. If the Review is to be held up I wish to have you definitely assume the responsibility, otherwise I shall order the Torch Press to hasten the work and not delay it as they have been doing.

It had been my understanding with Mr. Alvord that I would do the work on the Proceedings as I have on the Review, but, judging from present indications, you evidently do not expect me to. If the proof is to be read in this office, however, I will probably be called upon to read it as no one else here is accustomed to doing it. I think I can find time for this but it is impossible for me to read the proof with copy.

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodson

REH:ES

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February 22, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have received the rest of the manuscript for the Proceedings. I have finished about two-thirds of the copy and will have the rest ready to send off in a very short time. I was much delayed by the work on Miss Mitchell's article. In spite of her impressive bibliography her references ~~references~~ were unbelievably inaccurate and inadequate. I spent more than a day in a vain effort to bring them up to standard; I dared not hold them up for Miss Mitchell's verification, consequently there are still many imperfections although I did all I could with the books and catalogs available here.

In regard to the proof reading, it was my understanding that we would read the copy here but as Miss Hodsdon is unable to help I do not see how I can undertake it alone. I am not, as you know, an expert proof reader, hence I do not care to assume so much responsibility. Will it not be best for you to have this done in your office? Please let me know at once whether I shall tell the Torch Press to send the copy and proof to you.

I have made as few changes as possible in the articles and agree with you that it will scarcely be worth while to send proof to the authors.

Sincerely yours,

Paula Q. White

LOW:ES

February 23, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I have your letter of February 21 with reference to the quotation from the census returns of Madison county. Since this is a quotation, it should appear, of course, exactly as it was in the original. I have no means of knowing whether the pencilled correction from "5466" to "5496" is intended as a correction in the copying of the documents or a correction of the figures as totalled, but am inclined to think it is the latter. Miss Relf collated these transcripts with the original documents in Springfield. She also had the additions checked up and in most cases found that the totals given in the original were not the correct totals of the figures on which they were based.

It is apparent that 5456 is not the way it appears in the original and I am inclined to think that it should read 5466.

You have doubtless received before this from Mrs. Weber the data upon the election law of 1813 from Pope's Digest. It seems that Miss Osborne searched the book through without finding this, but afterwards it was discovered accidentally. I trust that you received it in time to insert the date (1813), and the reference (Pope's Digest, 1:154). The quotation from the preamble should also be revised to conform to Pope's Digest, but I do not think it necessary to break it into two paragraphs.

Very truly yours

February 23, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

Please add at the end of the list of
"Appointive Committees" in the M. V. H. A. Proceedings,
the item below which I have just received from Mr. Paxson.

Sincerely yours

Nominating committee for the Tenth Annual Meeting.--- Har-
low Lindley, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis,
chairman, E. M. Violette, Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

P. S. I have just noticed the following sentence in Paxson's
letter; "I trust that a full announcement of the meeting is
being made in connection with the March Review". If this has
not been provided for, I would suggest that you get into com-
munication with Mr. Paxson at once.

February 24, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

At a joint meeting of the executive committee and the board of editors of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association in Cincinnati last December, it was decided that the Proceedings should be issued as a supplement to the March number of the Review. When I mentioned this action to Mr. Greene, he said quite definitely that the editorial staff at the University of Illinois would be unable to prepare the manuscript for the volume. When I informed Mr. Alvord of the action taken at Cincinnati, I stated that if such were the case, in view of the importance to the association of having the Proceedings published and distributed before the annual meeting, I would be willing to undertake the editing of the Proceedings. He replied through Miss White to the effect that he would be glad to have me do so, and the manuscript was forwarded to me for that purpose.

If I have trespassed in any way upon your rights and duties in this matter, I assure you that it was quite unintentional and my sole motive was to help along the affairs of the association at a time when the illness of the managing editor and the large amount of other work to be done in his office made such assistance necessary.

With reference to the holding up of the March issue of the Review, I am quite willing to assume the responsibility therefor and I will write to the Torch Press to that effect in order to relieve you of any responsibility in the matter. It seems to me that the delay of this issue for a few weeks for the purpose of making possible the distribution of the Proceedings before the annual meeting is quite justifiable.

There was, as you doubtless know, a special reason why the delay of the December number until after the Cincinnati meeting was unfortunate. There can be no such reason in connection with the March issue, provided it comes out before the annual meeting which is not to come off, I believe, until May.

In view of your statement that it will be impossible for you to read the proof of the Proceedings with copy, I will undertake to have it done here. ~~I shall be glad, however,~~ to have you read the other set of the proof.

Sincerely yours

R. E. H. 2/24/17--2

undertake to have it done here. I shall be glad, however,
to have you read the other set of the proof.

Sincerely yours

February 24, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I received your letter of February 22 this morning and also one from Miss Hodsdon on the same subject. I gather that there is a storm brewing -- or brewed.

Under the circumstances I am willing to take the responsibility for the reading of the proof with copy on the Proceedings, and you may tell the Torch Press to send it directly to me. I understand from Miss Hodsdon's letter that she is willing to read the proof, although not with copy, and I certainly hope that she will do so. The other copy of the proof therefore should be sent to your office.

The question then arises as to whether our corrected proof should be sent to Miss Hodsdon or here to us, for assembling the corrections, and transmitting them to the printer. I am perfectly willing to handle this, but it might be best to do it the other way around under the circumstances. What do you think about^{it}?

Sincerely yours

February 26, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am returning to you herewith the proof of the bibliography with revisions and additions; also a note which I would like to have inserted either just after the heading or at the bottom of the first page of the bibliography. Inasmuch as I have used dozens of works which are not now included in the bibliography and could not be included in the time available, it is impossible to make it a list of the works used in the preparation of the volume. The only other satisfactory basis would seem to be to make it merely a list of the works referred to in the footnotes, and therefore, in order to be consistent, I have cut out a number of the items which are not referred to in any of the footnotes that have been left in the volume. ✓

As articles in historical collections, periodicals, etc., are as a rule not referred to by author and title in the footnotes but simply by a reference to the collections or periodicals, it seems undesirable to include separate items for each of these articles in the bibliography, particularly as those which have been included are by no means complete. I have cut them out, therefore, and inserted instead general items for the various collections, etc., as there are the things which are actually referred to in the footnotes, and consequently what the user would look for ~~for further information~~ ^{in the bibliography.} ~~about~~ ^{in the} ~~information~~ ^{about} the bibliography.

In the footnotes most works were referred to by author instead of editor; e. g. Flower, History of Edwards County, Mason, Narrative, etc., although Fordham's Personal Narrative was cited under the editor for some reason which I have been unable to divine. In the bibliography all of these items have been listed under the editors, although that is certainly contrary to standard bibliographical practice as exemplified by the Library of Congress. Moreover it makes it impossible for the student who comes across a reference to Mason's Narrative, for example, in the footnotes, to find this work in the bibliography without going through it item by item, for he has no means of knowing that it is listed under Heartman. Thus the principal purpose of the bibliography is defeated. It seems to me each item should be entered under the same first work in both footnote and bibliography,

R. E. H. 2/26/17--2

or at least under such first work in the bibliography as a student would be likely to expect. Following this principle, I have left Fordham's Personal Narrative under Ogg, as it was, but have changed Flower and Mason.

Some of the inserts which I have prepared are for works which I found listed in the printed footnotes, but omitted from the bibliography. Most of them, however, are revisions or consolidations. In order that the purpose of some of my corrections may be perfectly clear, I desire to call your attention to the following points.

Under auditor of public accounts, the words "letter book A" should be omitted, because other land office records have been used and referred to.

I can see no more reason for listing in the bibliography the specific volume of the Chicago Historical Society manuscripts used than for listing the specific volumes of a printed work used; such for example, as Thorpe's Constitutions. The footnotes are supposed to take care of that.

Churchill's Annotations and the two Lippincott items are newspaper clippings, and certainly should not be listed under manuscripts.

The material listed under Library of Congress is not in the Library of Congress at all.

There is no reason why the Executive Register listed under state archives should not be included with the rest of the material under Secretary of State, Springfield.

The last item under manuscript is not a manuscript and may be omitted entirely.

Some of the volumes of the Chicago Historical Society Collections listed contain the series number and others do not. I have inserted this number where omitted.

Inasmuch as the Illinois Intelligencer is always referred to in the footnotes merely as Intelligencer, it seems to me that a cross reference under that heading is essential in order to enable the reader to locate the full title of the paper without going through the bibliography item by item. The same is true of the Spectator.

Sincerely yours

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February 26, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Dr. Buck:

On galley 107 you have the following sentence crossed out on your set: "Kinney was the only member of the ~~Senate~~ who had not previously held some office, either elective or appointive, but there were eleven such men in the ~~House~~." This sentence occurs in your original manuscript in your hand writing exactly as it appears on the galley proof. Is it a misstatement of fact or was it for rhetorical reasons that you wished to have it struck out.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth E. Hodson

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February 27, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have written the Torch Press to send you the copy and one set of proof for the Proceedings and to send us the other set of proof.

I am inclined to think that it would be best to have your corrected proof sent here for assembling the corrections, if that will be satisfactory to you.

Did the board of editors take any action that you know of regarding the furnishing of of separates to the authors as is done in the case of the Review?

Very truly yours,

Lula O. White

LOW:ES

February 28, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodson
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodson:-

I have just received a letter from Mr. Powers of the Torch Press in which he suggests that the M. V. H. A. Proceedings be issued as an extra number of the Review instead of as a supplement to it. This would permit of their being distributed separately at second class rates, thus making possible the distribution of the Review on time and of the Proceedings whenever they are ready.

This was a provision of the postal regulations which was quite unknown to me, but it seems to offer a satisfactory solution of the difficulty, and I have informed Mr. Powers that it will be quite satisfactory to me.

Sincerely yours

February 28, 1916

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

The sentence on galley 107 about which you inquire was cut out, not for rhetorical reasons, but because it seemed to me likely to convey a wrong impression. I have neither proof nor manuscript here, but my recollection is that there occurs shortly after this sentence a statement to the effect that nearly all of the members of the legislature were new men, which would ^{in public life} seem to be contradictory to the sentence in question.

The sentence is not absolutely wrong, but the facts are that the position held by most of the members of the senate was usually nothing more important than justice of the peace. The reader would, however, be inclined to suppose that they had held more important positions.

The sentence might be fixed up by inserting the words "state or local" between "some" and "office", but it seems ^{ed to} to me to be of no particular significance and, therefore, I marked it for exclusion. The sentence was written originally by Miss Relf and the implication in it escaped my notice until I read it in proof.

Sincerely yours

February 28, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I have just received a letter from Mr. Powers of the Torch Press, in which he states that it will be possible to issue the Proceedings as an extra number of the Review instead of a supplement to it, and that it can then be distributed separately as second class matter.

This is a kink of the complicated postal regulations with which I was not familiar and it offers a very satisfactory solution of our problem. I have written him, therefore, that so far as I am concerned, this procedure may be followed.

Mr. Powers stated also that in view of the paper situation he would like to have an estimate of the number of pages which the Proceedings would require. If you have already sent the manuscript on to him or can do so at once, he can make his own estimate; if not, I think it would be well for you to make one for him.

Sincerely yours

March 10, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

I am in receipt of galleys 65-93 inclusive of the second revised proof, and galleys 65-112 inclusive of the first proof containing my corrections. I enclose herewith a number of galleys of the second revised proof on which I have noted a few points.

Sincerely yours

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CLARENCE W. ALVORD
MANAGING EDITOR

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March 20, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I am enclosing my bill for work done on the Proceedings. Will you kindly approve it and forward it to Mrs. Paine? I will not have any additional bill as I do not expect to charge for any time I may spend reading proof. As yet we have not received any proof.

Very truly yours,

Paul A. White

LOW:MJ

March 22, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I have approved your bill for work on the M. V. H. A. Proceedings, and am forwarding it to Mrs. Paine.

I have a note from the Torch Press written yesterday to the effect that the first batch of proof was ready to go forward, and it will probably be in in a day or two. I will push the reading of it here as rapidly as possible.

Sincerely yours

March 24, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I am sending you under separate cover the first lot of proof of the M. V. H. A. Proceedings. I trust you will have the corrections assembled and sent on to the Torch Press as soon as possible, for the time is short if the volume is to come out before the annual meeting. ✓

Mrs. Paine has asked for the privilege of seeing the proof of Mr. Paine's report, so I will ask you to send to her galleys 10, 11, and 12 of the extra copy. The proof for the press should not be held up, however, to hear from her. Such changes as she may desire can doubtless be made in page proof.

A second lot of the proof has arrived and is being read at the present time.

Sincerely yours

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March 26, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Let me acknowledge the receipt of
the first lot of proof of the M. V. H. A.
Proceedings. The corrections will be assem-
bled and the material sent on to the Torch
Press very shortly.

Very truly yours,

Lila A. White

LOW:ES

March 27, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I am sending you under separate cover the third installment, galleys 29-35 inclusive, of the M. V. H. A. Proceedings.

I have discovered that I made a mistake on the preceding galleys in marking the first line of the place, etc., at the end of each article to be indented. I supposed that was the practice of the Review, but I find that it is not, and I have no desire, of course, to depart from that practice. You will notice that on galleys 34 and 35 I have marked the dates of volumes for italics with a query. It seems to me that a date of this sort followed by page numbers in the same kind of figures with only a comma between is likely to be confusing. My own practice is to put in a p between them. I have endeavored to discover the practice of the Review in this particular and find that it varies. On the whole, however, I find that italics have been used, ~~with~~^{the} ~~date~~^{referred} thus, used as a part of the title. See, for example, the December number, page 275, note 1; 278, note 16; 288, notes 61, 63, 64, and 66.

Sincerely yours

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Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

I have received galley proof for the M. V. H. A. Proceedings through 36. Since you made the page 27 picas wide I presume that you wish it to be a 27 x 44 page like the Review, and I am making it as such. The former numbers of the Proceedings were 24 x 42.

I notice in most cases before the home of the writer of an article you had placed an em quad, but you also indicated that you wished it set up like the Review. I was not sure whether you meant that it should be in 11 point caps and small caps and set flush, or 11 point caps and small caps and indented, but I put it in 11 point caps and small caps set flush because it seemed to me that it looked better that way, but it will be a small matter to change on the page proof if you wish it different.

I did not receive any pages before 5. If you have them, will you kindly send them down, though I suppose the Torch Press is keeping them to make up in page proof.

Very truly yours,

Ruth E. Hodson

REH:ES

MAR 30 1917

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March 28, 1917.

Dr. Solon J. Buck,
Minnesota Historical Society,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Buck:

Mr. Alvord has received a rather per-
emptory letter from Mr. Norman G. Flagg inquir-
ing about the Sidney Robinson civil war letters
and the Flagg letters sent to the Survey two or
three years ago when you were here. The letter
must have been addressed to Mr. Alvord's resi-
dence because it was forwarded to Miami without
coming through this office. Mrs. Alvord mailed
it to me without giving me any hint as to what
Mr. Alvord wanted done about it. I have written
to him for instructions but thought I had better
write to you also to find out what the conditions
were under which the material was borrowed.

Please write me as soon as you can what
you know about the matter.

Very truly yours,

Leila O. White

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March 29, 1917

Miss Ruth E. Hodsdon
420 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss Hodsdon:-

It was my intention that the page of the Proceedings should be the same in format as that of the Review. The em quad which I placed before the home of the writers of the articles was a mistake on my part, and the later galleys sent to Urbana have not been so marked. It was my intention that the style of the Review should be followed in this particular. The mistake was due to the fact that we use the em quad in our style, but we had it in smaller type. I agree with you that with the 11 point caps and small caps, it looks better set flush.

I did not receive proof or copy for the preliminary pages except as sent on, and suppose that the Torch Press is holding it to set up in page form.

I have two more installments of proof on hand at the present time, but am holding them because the Torch Press failed to send ten pages of copy. I have written for this, and if it does not come tomorrow, I will keep out the galleys for which copy is lacking and send on the rest.

Sincerely yours

March 31, 1917

Miss Leila O. White
416 Lincoln Hall
Urbana, Ill.

My dear Miss White:-

I am afraid I cannot help you very much about the inquiry from Mr. Flagg.

My recollection is that the Sydney Robinson letters were all copied, and I supposed the originals had been returned. If you still have them and also have transcripts, they should be returned by all means. I am not sure just what "Flagg letters" he refers to, but I think the same is true of them. I would suggest, however, that you look through my correspondence with Mr. Flagg which I left in the office and which will probably throw more light on the transaction.

Sincerely yours