New on the Shelves

“New on the Shelves” is a list of recent additions to the library collection of the State Historical Society of Iowa. Most of these books are not appropriate for scholarly review, but researchers in Iowa history do need to know that these books are available. The “DM” or “IC” at the end of each entry denotes whether the item is held in Des Moines or Iowa City.


*Between Rocks and Hard Places: Traditions, Customs, and Conditions in Norway during the 1800s, Emigration from Norway, the Immigrant Community in America*, by Ann Urness Gesme. Cedar Rapids: Gesme Enterprises, 1993. 188 pp. Illustrations, bibliography. IC.


*Classical Learning as an Element of Modern Scholarship: An Address Delivered Before the Trustees of Iowa College as the Annual Oration on Wednesday, July 17th, 1867*, by Austin Adams. Dubuque: Barnes & Ryan, Times Book and Job Printing House, 1867. 26 pp. IC.

*Clear Lake, Iowa: Compliments of Western Lakes Resort Co.* Clear Lake: Western Lakes Resort Co., [1893?]. 28 pp. Illustrations. IC.

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Des Moines: The Pioneer of Municipal Progress and Reform of the Middle West, Together with the History of Polk County, Iowa, by Johnson Brigham. Chicago: S. J. Clarke Publishing Co., 1911. DM.


A Farewell to Famine, by Jim Rees. Arklow, Ireland: Arklow Enterprise Centre, 1994. 174 pp. Illustrations, index. This work on Irish emigration to the United States includes a chapter on the New Melleray Trappist Abbey in Dubuque County. IC.


Historical Collections of the Great West: Containing Narratives of the Most Important and Interesting Events in Western History. . . To which is Appended Historical and Descriptive Sketches of Oregon, New Mexico, Texas, Minnesota, Utah, and California, by Henry Howe. Cincinnati, 1856. 2 vols. in 1. Illustrations. IC.


History of Lucas County, Iowa. Des Moines: State Historical Company, 1881. 743 pp. DM.

The History of Mills County, Iowa. Des Moines: State Historical Company, 1881. 722 pp. DM.


I Remember —: The Story of Growing Up in Keokuk, Iowa on the Mississippi River, in the 1920s and 1930s, by Doris McManis Camden. Warsaw, IN, 1991. 143 pp. IC.


Iowa's Biological Communities. Guthrie Center: Conservation Education Center, 1993. 28 pp. Illustrations, bibliography. DM.


The Life and Times of Pa and Ma Kramer: From a Canal Boat in Holland to Farming in Iowa, by George Kramer. Waukee, 1983. 125 pp. Account of Dutch immigrants who settled in Iowa. IC.


Membership Roll of Gem City Encampment No. 85, I.O.O.F. Fort Madison: Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Gem City Encampment No. 85, 1925. 8 pp. IC.


Morning Chores and Other Times Remembered, by Hadley Read. Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 1977. 189 pp. Poetry about farm life and growing up in Hamilton County, Iowa. DM.


One Hundred Years in Kinross, by Steve Miller. Kinross, 1979. 140 pp. Illustrations. IC.
Our Hometown—Cairo, Iowa, by Tom A. Woodruff and Betty Scott. Cairo, 1993. 68 pp. Illustrations. IC.


Real Estate Values and Railroad Values in Iowa in 1912 and Taxes on Same for 1911: Table and Points Submitted to Executive Council of Iowa on July 8th, 1912 in Behalf of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Company, by T.A. Polleys, Its Tax Commissioner. St. Paul: Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company, 1912. 1 p. IC.

Red Oak: The Friendliest Town in Iowa. Red Oak: Thomas D. Murphy, [192–?]. 1 p. Illustrations. IC.


Report of Committee to Bondholders of Central Railroad Co. of Iowa, by Central Railroad Company of Iowa. Boston: A. Mudge & Son, Printers, 1874. 16 pp. IC.


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Scott County History, Iowa. Davenport: Iowa Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration, 1942. 135 pp. DM.


Up a County Lane Cookbook, by Evelyn Birkby. Iowa City: University of Iowa Press, 1993. 254 pp. Illustrations, index. DM, IC.


Your Affectionate Pastor, Ebenezer Alden, Jr., by Linda R. Ashley. Marshfield, MA: First Congregational Church, 1993. 122 pp. Alden was a member of the Iowa Band. DM.