

1838, countersigned by W. B. Slaughter, Secretary, from Mr. Sterling by J. P. Switzer; two commissions of Gov. Dodge, both to Chauncey H. Peak, one as Justice of the Peace of Milwaukee County, Feb. 8, 1839, the other as First Lieutenant of the Fourth Company of the Third Regiment of Wisconsin Militia, March 31, 1840; a burial ground deed, in west ward of Milwaukee, to C. H. Peak, Aug. 29, 1839, signed by Elisha Starr as President of the Trustees of Milwaukee, witnessed and acknowledged by I. A. Lapham; also a circular for the formation of a Public Library in Milwaukee, April, 1846, and a remonstrance against the route of a road along the shore of Lake Michigan, no date, all from Wm. Peak, through Hon. J. E. Thomas, Sheboygan Falls.

*Coin and Currency.*—Twelve skilling Danish silver coin, 1717, from M. Michelet, Pleasant Springs; a Chinese note, from E. S. Chase; and the following from C. C. Saffell, Baltimore: Pennsylvania Colonial bill, five shillings, Oct. 1, 1773; Continental bill, two-thirds of a dollar, Feb. 17, 1776; another of same amount, May 9, 1776; Massachusetts bill, two dollars, dated in 1780; State Bank, Morris, N. J., one dollar, 1820; shinplaster, Borough of Liverpool, twenty-five cents, 1857; Bank of Virginia, Staunton, three five dollar bills, April, 1860; Monticello Bank, five dollars, Nov., 1860; Corporation of Richmond, Va., two dollars, April, 1861; N. W. Bank of Virginia, Jefferson, one dollar, 1862; Rockingham Co., Virginia, twenty-five cents, 1862; Confederate States, ten dollars, Feb., 1864; also several old documents.

*Natural History Specimens.*—Molten lead from the Chicago fire, and sea salt, from E. R. Bristol; a section of a honey locust tree, from Clinton Co., Ohio, from W. R. Paget; petrified wood from Nebraska, from I. S. Bradley; olive wood from Jerusalem, manufactured into a crucifix, from Hon. D. G. Cheever; a small horned frog from Texas, from J. J. Heim; float copper, weighing twenty ounces, found on grounds of E. H. Huntington, Madison, from Frank Huntington; lead mineral, fossils, and horn of young deer, from Hon. M. M. Strong; Spanish moss from the Gulf of Mexico, buffalo hair or wool, from James McCloud; specimens of various kinds of wood from Alexander Co., Ill., arranged on card, from Hon. D. G. Cheever; specimen of pure copper, about four ounces