

957, many of them of great historic rarity and value in tracing early American settlement, and primitive geographical nomenclature. The additions this year, of the seventeenth century, are chiefly of French publications, at a period when France was especially enterprising in her explorations and cartology of Canada and New France, including the region around and west of the Great Lakes—hence their great value to the historian and investigator of the Northwest.

*Autographs and Manuscripts.*—An autograph document, signed, of John Hart, a signer of declaration of independence, purchased; autograph letters of Edward Everett to W. S. Johnson, dated July 25, Nov. 22, Dec. 9, and Dec. 25, 1830, also two letters of Mrs. Everett to same, Sept. 30 and Dec. 26, 1830, from Mrs. A. A. Meredith; Rev. S. A. Dwinell's manuscripts of his early history of Walworth Co., Wis., from Mrs. S. A. Dwinell, Reedsburg, Wisconsin; deed of land near Dortmund, Westphalia, Germany, on parchment, bearing date 1447, from Carl Klingsholz, Manitowoc, Wisconsin; manuscript record book of claims to land in Milwaukee and other counties in Wisconsin, kept at Milwaukee 1837, from James S. Buck, Milwaukee; manuscript copy of roster of employees of American Fur Co., 1818 and 1819, from D. H. Kelton, U. S. A.; powers of attorney of Elisha Konkapot, of Detroit, Feb. 5, 1837, and Lucy Konkapot of Madison Co., New York, March 18, 1837, to Robert Konkapot, of Green Bay, Wisconsin, to sell certain lands, with certificate of Henry R. Schoolcraft acting superintendent of Indian affairs, Detroit, Mich., from Dr. M. M. Davis, of Baraboo, Wis.

Letter of R. F. Rising of Madison, Wisconsin, dated Oct. 25, 1837, to B. Shakelford of Green Bay, Wisconsin, in regard to a survey of road from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, to Madison; a letter from Franklin Hatheway, of Astor, Wisconsin, to Hon. J. D. Doty, relative to a survey at Madison, Wisconsin, and of a route from Madison to Milwaukee, via Fox Lake, dated Oct. 5, 1837, with receipts for work performed; also receipts of Eben Peck, of Madison, to F. Hatheway for board, Sept. 14, 1837; R. F. Rising and Hiram Penoyer to