

THE COLLECTION

The west front room on the second floor will be fashioned during early April into "a study" with the Smith desk, display cases, books, and nineteenth century chairs used in the decor.

Accessions:

Haymond family surveying instruments. Loaned by Mrs. Frank (Emma Findlay) Atterholt. Includes: 18th century compass which belonged to Major William Haymond, Harrison County Surveyor 1784-1821; "Jacob's Staff" used by Major Thomas Haymond (son of Major William Haymond), Harrison County Surveyor 1821-1853; theodolite presented by the Virginia General Assembly, circa 1840, to Colonel Luther Haymond in recognition of his services to the state as master surveyor. Mrs. Atterholt is a great-granddaughter of Colonel Luther Haymond.

Brass buckle and cavalry uniform buttons (Union Army, War Between the States) worn by Colonel Marcus Richardson of Philadelphia. Gift of Helen Hite Martin (Mrs. John H. S. Martin), a great niece of Colonel Richardson.

Prints and glass photographic plates of photographs taken by Muta V. Swiger of Shinnston in the early years of the century. They include Monongah Mine explosion scenes 1907. The plates and prints are the gift of Jack Sandy Anderson.

Two glass canes; ornamental; one blue-green twisted, the other candy-stripe twisted. The gift of Robert S. Wilson, M. D.

Early jig saw operated by a treadle. Gift of Robert S. Wilson, M. D.

SPECIAL OFFER TO MEMBERS

Members still may purchase copies of the 1973 reprinted issue of History of Harrison County by Henry Haymond for \$12.75. Mail orders to: History Book Fund, 511 Stout Street, Bridgeport, WV 26330.

GENEALOGICAL DEPARTMENT

The Genealogical Department has moved downstairs to the area formerly labeled "the office."

Mrs. Linder, chairman of the department, has announced that new cards have been added to the files and that some of the records held by the Society will take a family line back several generations before members of the family came to Harrison County. She suggests that individuals searching for an ancestor who served in The American Revolution, or for data on a family line, use the following indexes to the department:

1. Surname Card File which is an index to individuals whose names are found in the manuscript holdings of the Society.
2. Picture Card File which is an index to photographs of sites and individuals held by the Society.
3. General Topics File which is an index to family history other than that filed under an individual name.
4. Books published as indexes to sources of information elsewhere in the United States.

Recent accessions:

Records and notebooks on the Reeder family prepared by Truman Reeder. Presented by Mrs. Truman Reeder.

Biographical sketches from History of Greene County, Pa., by Samuel P. Bates (1888). Zeroxed and indexed by Mrs. Paul Poulicos and presented by Mrs. Paul Poulicos.

The first eighteen volumes (except for the fourteenth) of West Virginia Encyclopedia. The fifty-volume set currently being published by Jim Comstock was purchased by the Society in part with a gift, in memory of Frank Muldoon, M. D., presented by Mrs. Frank Muldoon.

Remember to list your family line in the Researchers Card File so that information can be shared with others!