

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SECRETARY

OF THE

Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland.

Mr. President:

THE ninth Annual Report of your Secretary will of a necessity be very brief. The past year has been, what we may term, an off year. Whilst the regular monthly meetings were of a general interesting character, but one article of original research was read, and even that in a fragmentary form, viz: "The Germans in America during the 17th Century," read by *Mr. L. P. Hennighausen* in the January meeting.

For reasons sufficient, no Annual Report was published. How highly those published, however, are esteemed, has again been proven by the repeated requests for copies on the part of sister-Societies, as well as individuals.

By resolution adopted in the November meeting, "all articles based upon original research and found suitable to the scope and design of our Society by the Executive Committee," will hereafter be published in separate form. This action may abolish the further printing of Treasurer's and Secretary's Report altogether.

The most notable feature in the history of the Society during the least year is, no doubt, the enrichment of our library by the addition of many valuable books and papers of a historical character.

As a complete catalogue of our library is about to appear in print, together with other matter, it does not appear necessary to enumerate them by their titles in this report. Whilst most of these additions to our library were bought with the funds of the Society, others were donated by the following patrons:

The late Dr. L. H. Steiner's family.
 Rev. Ed. Huber.
 Prof. Hannoh Deiler.
 L. P. Hennighausen, Esq.
 Mr. N. M. Rittenhouse.
 Rev. F. Ph. Hennighausen.
 Mr. Ph. A. Albrecht.
 Prof. Stephen B. Weeks.
 Proprietor of the Baltimore Correspondent.
 Proprietors of the Baltimore Journal.
 Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C.
 Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.
 Maryland State Library.
 New York State Library.
 Cornell University.
 Drew Theological Seminary.
 Public Library of the City of Boston.
 Enoch Pratt Free Library.
 Long Island Historical Society.

The Society deplores the death of one of its most honored members, MR. ERNST KNABE, who departed this life on April 17th, 1894.

Two members resigned during the year, one removed from the city, whilst six declined to pay the annual dues and thus forfeited their membership, making a total loss of ten active members. Six new members were added to our list. Entering upon the present year with 70 active members, we close it with 66, a net loss of four members.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

F. PH. HENNIGHAUSEN, Sec'y.

Baltimore, Md., February 22, 1895.