AMERICAN HISTORICAL PERIODICALS FROM THE AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY

PART VII

This archive offers researchers an alternative to the official historical record by unearthing the voices of people who lived it, giving varied perspectives across American society on the events, issues, and attitudes that have shaped the America of today.
A DIGITIZED PRIMARY SOURCE COLLECTION OF PERIODICALS PRESENTING AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF THOSE WHO LIVED IT.

Many of the periodicals in this archive have never been scanned before, including many oversized publications that were previously too large for digitization. It also includes many publications that have been recently acquired by the American Antiquarian Society, which have never been available online. While the content is largely English language, there are some non-English publications that show the diversity of the American people, and the potential similarities in differences in the experience of America in the late nineteenth century.

HOW DOES THIS ARCHIVE RELATE TO TODAY’S ISSUES?

For researchers seeking to understand today’s America, this archive offers insights into several areas of historical interest. It covers the period of abolition and emancipation, the battle between the United and Confederate states, and many topics that underpin political and social divisions that still exist. It covers the formation of important groups, such as the National Rifle Association, that are vocal in current debates around gun control. Other major social issues—including education, childcare, and immigration—are also covered. Many areas of business, industry, and commerce can be explored. These help researchers explore contemporary issues such as the labour force, economic shifts, and the relationship between money and geography in areas like the Rust Belt. The changes in leisure can be traced by looking at the period before technology allowed international travel, and how Americans spent entertained themselves before the impact of the various media that dominate current culture.

THIS ARCHIVE WORKS WELL WITH:

The main overlap is with Parts I-VI, as Part VII adds over 190 brand new collections to the series, and backfills over 100 titles, adding greater breadth and depth to the overall archive. It can be particularly powerful with Slavery and Anti-Slavery, offering different perspectives on the legacy of slavery, abolition, and emancipation, giving insight into the public perception of—and reaction to—one of the most significant periods in American history. Its value in exploring social issues continues with our Women’s Studies Archive, as researchers can track the origins, developments, and experiences of women’s movements in America during the period. As a source of opinions and perspectives, it can also work with the recently expanded Indigenous Peoples of North America archive, exploring the place and perception of indigenous peoples.

FEATURES AND TOOLS

Term Frequency
See the frequency of search terms within a content set to begin assessing interactions and how they developed over time.

Term Clusters
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