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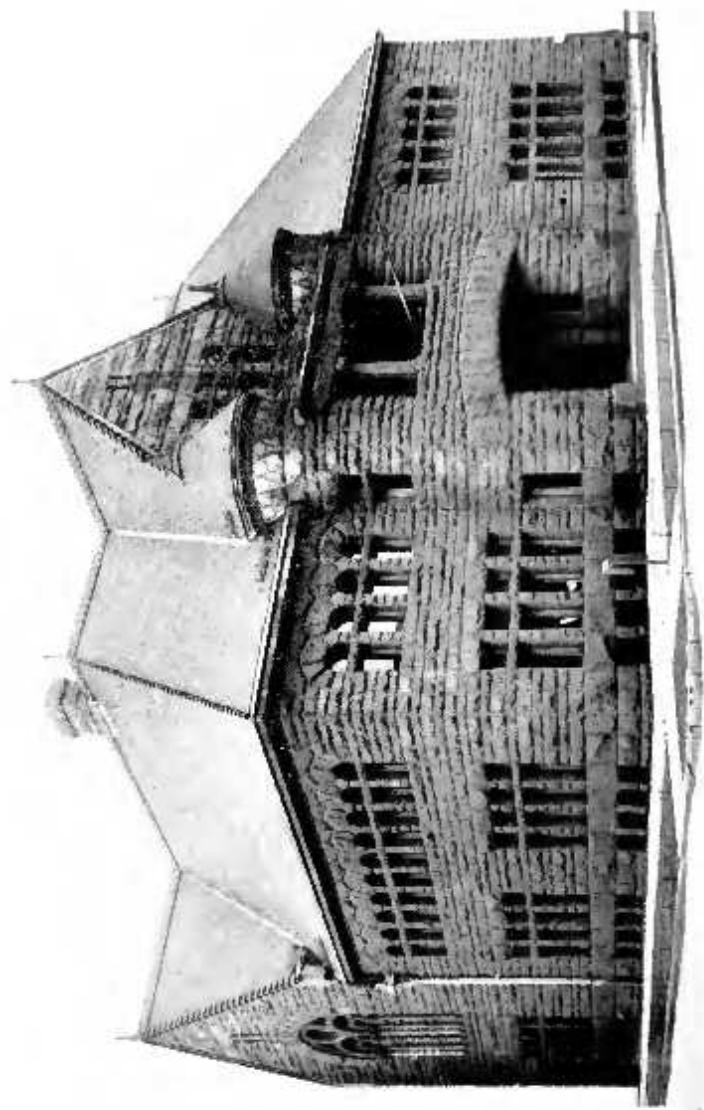
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OUR AIM —

AMERICA FIRST—PATRIOTISM AND PREPARED-
NESS.

OUR MISSION —

CHARACTER BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE RULERS
OF OUR CITY, STATE AND NATION, PARTICULARLY BY THE ADAPTATION OF THE INSTITUTION
TO THE INTERESTS OF CHILDREN.

OUR METHOD —

THROUGH OUR EXHIBITS, LECTURES AND PUBLICATIONS TO MAKE THE RESOURCES OF THE
CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY AN ACTIVE, LEAVENING FORCE IN THE WELFARE AND CIVIC
MOVEMENTS OF CHICAGO.

CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

Governing Membership

Honorary Life	\$1000
Life	500
Annual	25

Non-Governing Membership

Sustaining Life	\$100
Sustaining Annual	10

Membership in the Society may be had only upon recommendation of the Executive Committee. Non-Governing Members have all the privileges of Governing Members except the right to vote and to hold office.

DESIDERATA

MUSEUM SPACE	ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS
INCREASED INCOME	MONTHLY BULLETIN
LINCOLN MEMORIAL ROOM	FREE LITERATURE FOR
GALLERY FOR PAINTINGS	SCHOOLS
MORE CHILDREN'S LECTURES	MUSEUM EQUIPMENT
LECTURES IN SOCIAL CENTERS	MARKING HISTORIC SITES
	NEWSPAPER CASES
	A LARGER BUILDING

TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Indian, Spaniard, Frenchman, Englishman, American — all these have ruled over the territory that is now Chicago. For sixty years past the Chicago Historical Society has by research and collection, uncovered and preserved the record of those early days and the periods that followed them.

Our own times, too, receive daily from its trained workers the same analysis and preservation.

The relics, the paintings, the books and pamphlets of the Society preserve for Chicago its historic background.

To you the Society offers its libraries, its collections and the research service of its staff. It offers you a constant succession of special exhibitions of picturesque mementos of the past. It offers you its series of lectures by experts upon topics of historic interest. It offers you its social gatherings where the rising generation may enjoy the privilege of acquaintance with the earlier citizens and their priceless traditions.

From you the Society hopes for the support that is fairly due a dignified public enterprise which takes the form of one of the best historical museums in the country. We believe that the Society will help you and that you will help the Society.

The Society actively serves the public. Students, writers, genealogists, historians from all over the United States use its collections. It wishes, now, by increasing its resources to add to those collections.

Furthermore, the Chicago Historical Society is serving its public by the illustrated lectures through which it gives annually to thousands of public school children a grasp of the great and true stories that lie behind their city of to-day. It is our belief that no sounder training in patriotism is being done. Certainly none could receive a more eager welcome from the children themselves. This work we wish to develop further in the near future.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to the CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of Illinois, February 7, 1857, the sum of

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