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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

The Assessor's Tax Report made in 1796 for Columbia Township (now a part of Cincinnati) which is published in this issue of the *Quarterly*, has been acquired lately by the Society.

This original manuscript contains 282 names of early pioneers of Columbia, a settlement begun in 1788. Besides furnishing the valuation of the property of each owner it shows that 227 were men with families and 55 were single men. Of the latter number, 48 were not owners of property, but resided with some of the householders, who in many instances appear to have been relatives. This list is valuable—especially locally—as it contains some names I have not found elsewhere.

In publishing the *Diary* of Major William Stanley (the 2nd article herein) it would be manifestly unfair to the writer not to impress upon readers the fact that this diary is simply a hurriedly written memorandum of passing events kept largely for business purposes. It is 6x4 inches in size, easily carried in a coat pocket, and contains thirty-nine closely written pages. While little or no attention has been given to capitals or punctuation, the handwriting is graceful and extremely legible. In a few terse words this diary, 1790-1810, brings before us the trials, hardships and dangers pertaining to pioneer life. In the unadorned sentences we find a vivid picture of the methods necessary to the conduct of mercantile business at that early period—the manner of securing goods by cash or exchange of marketable materials, the transporting of their stores from place to place in flat boats, pirogues or other crude vessels, going long distances and stopping at points where possibilities of sales were seen, up and down the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, over the Falls, and risking the danger of attacks by Indians. There is mention of a journey from New Orleans to Philadelphia by schooner, the voyage consuming twenty-six days.

Major Stanley, a Revolutionary officer from Connecticut, began his diary in 1790 upon his arrival in Cincinnati, where he started his mercantile career as a clerk. In 1793 he formed a partnership with Daniel and John Stites Gano, both of Co-



lumbia, to which place he moved, returning later to Cincinnati, where he continued the mercantile business.

In the *Centinel of the North-Western Territory*, are several advertisements of the firm of Gano & Stanley. In one of these, 1795, they publish notice of sale of goods at their stores in *Columbia & North Bend*; another offers, at *Cincinnati store*, 1796, to sell for cash, good hides, wheat, rye, barley and hops.

William Stanley Hatch states in a written account that "he came to Cincinnati in 1804 when he was 14 years old and went to live with his uncle, Major William Stanley, who was at that time among the principle merchants of the village. The Store house, Wine house and Dwelling with a garden attached, occupied the whole of Lot 77, N. E. Corner of Front & Main Streets. Here I continued as clerk until of age when I became the active partner of the Firm."

It is evident that Major William Stanley accumulated a large property, shown by a description, made by him March 21, 1811, of all his property, real estate, lands, lots, houses, and other interests, intended to accompany his Will of same date. Also, further shown in an Indenture dated Sept. 30, 1814, wherein several parties as heirs of William Stanley late of Cincinnati, deceased, quit claim their rights in certain properties to William Stanley Hatch. His business interests being so extensive, he had little time apparently for public office although in 1813 he was President of the select Council of the town of Cincinnati.

The following Obituary appeared in the *Cincinnati Western Spy* of May 14, 1814:—Died. In this town on Sunday, the 8th inst. Major William Stanley. He was one of the first settlers of this place and has long sustained the character of a respectable Merchant; the day following, his remains were interred in the public cemetery attended by the masonic society, the military, and a large procession of citizens—the usual honors were paid at the interment.

The Diary and other papers of Major William Stanley form part of the William Stanley Hatch manuscripts, which were presented, with a portrait of Major Stanley, by Mrs. Florence J. King of Riverside, Cincinnati, to the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio in 1904.

L. B. HAMLIN.



A
Return for
Columbia
Township

Pr

Danul Reeder, Assesr

August 22nd 1796



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Householders, Residenters Names &c

	ammount of prop- erty	Ditto of Tax	
		Dollars	Cts
A			
Armstrong Esqr. John.....	1522	5	70
Andrew Henry.....	14	..	5
B			
Brant Joseph.....	100	..	40
Banes Doct ^r Evan.....	850	-3	18
Blackburn John.....	14	..	5
Berry Thomas.....	20	..	7
Baker David.....	96	..	37
Bell Peter.....	104	..	40
Boon Thomas.....	42	..	15
Buckles James.....	14	..	5
Brann Jeremiah.....	72	..	22
Bonel Calvin.....	14	..	5
Burk William.....	372	-1	12
Billington John.....	232	..	84
Brown Thomas.....	490	-1	80
Bliker Christopher.....	14	..	5
Buckingham Enoch.....	26?	..	95
Buckingham Levi.....	160	..	55
Beadle Francis.....	596	-2	18
Beadle Jane.....	20	..	10
Beadle Joseph.....	400	-1	78
Baker Jean.....	160	..	55
Bell Abel.....	2230	8	60
Brown William.....	234	..	85
Baxter James.....	244	..	86
Bonel Nathaniel.....	14	..	5
Beasley John.....	1040	-3	90
Bowman John.....	248	..	87
Brown Paul.....	80	..	30
Brown Patrick.....	14	..	5
Benham Richard.....	100	..	40
Buckles John.....	172	..	78
Ammo ^t Carried forward.....	9964	37	33



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HOUSEEHs RESIDENTERS NAME	ammount of prop- erty	Ditto of Tax	
C			
Crosley Ross.....	9964	37	38
Clark Abraham.....	522	1	96
Clark Daniel.....	200	..	75
Camster Archabald.....	42	..	15
Clawson Archabald.....	14	..	5
Clawson Josiah.....	190	..	75
Clemmons Elizabeth.....	486	-1	80
Covalt Geniah.....	486	-1	80
Covalt Timothy.....	248	..	94
Coe Joseph.....	190	..	75
Cox Philip.....	150	..	70
Covolt Bathuel.....	340	-1	29
Carson Henry.....	42	..	15
Clawson Thomas.....	246	..	89
Clawson Peter.....	00	..	..
Cigler Adam.....	288	-1	6
Case Joseph.....	184	-1	70
Carpenter Conrad.....	156	..	60
Caldwell James.....	50	..	18
Canedy James.....	54	..	19
Cox Jacob.....	132	..	50
Colman Nanead.....	142	..	53
Chambers Andrew.....	60	..	22
Catterlin Joseph.....	14	..	5
Corrinton Joseph.....	100	..	40
Codderman Phebe.....	40	..	18
Crane Joseph.....	200	..	75
Congleton Joseph.....	14	..	5
Citchel Calvin.....	246	..	90
D			
Devee Hnry.....	100	..	37
Devoir John.....	430	-1	64
David Davis.....	686	-2	30
Dixon John.....	14	..	5
Drake William.....	56	..	20
Dunker John.....	64	..	25
Devee Isaac.....	64	..	25
Devee Benjamin.....	50	..	60
Am ^t Carried.....	16220	61	33



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HOUSEH ^s &c. NAMES	amt of Prop-erty	do of Tax	
E			
Espey Thomas.....	16220	61	33
Elliot John.....	335	1	25
Edwards Samuel.....	206	..	75
Ensloe Ezekiel.....	170	..	63
Evans John.....	14	..	5
Eaton Jonah.....	14	..	5
	212	..	78
F			
Flinn James.....	656	-2	44
Flinn Nancy.....	170	..	63
Flinn David.....	302	-1	15
Flinn Stephen.....	106	..	40
Flack Robert.....	400	-5	52
Ferris Isaac.....	560	-2	6
Ferris Isaac Junr.....	134	..	50
Freeman Clarkson.....	218	..	81
G			
Grooms John.....	30	..	11
Gray Joseph.....	40	..	15
Goforth William.....	1626	-6	8
Gaskin Alexander.....	288	-1	6
Gordon Alexander.....	78	..	28
Giffin William.....	120	..	45
Giffin James.....	64	..	23
Amt Carried.....	21997	82	73

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H ^s & R ^s NAMES	amt of Prop-erty	do of Tax	
		Dol ^s	Ct
H			
Huff Abraham.....	21997	82	73
Hurly Cornelius.....	14	..	5
Hatheway Nathan.....	14	..	5
Hatheway Abraham.....	92	..	36
Harmer John.....	68	..	26
	14	..	5

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Harmer George.....	440	-1	67
Hutchins Gabriel.....	142	..	53
Hamsted Nicholas.....	78	..	30
Hatheway Richard.....	20	..	11
Hamel Alexander.....	390	-1	49
Hudson Shaddrack.....	254	..	94
Harper Thomas.....	278	-1	15
House Henry.....	78	..	30
Harmel John.....	726	-2	73
Huchins Moses.....	134	..	51
Harris William.....	100	..	38
Hurly Levin.....	70	..	30
Heirs Richard.....	332	-1	24

J

Jinnings Levi.....	252	..	95
Jennings Henry.....	202	..	75
Jennings Sirenus.....	120	..	48
Jones Samuel.....	100	..	38
Jerret Abner.....	252	..	95
Amt Carried..	26169	98	55

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RESIDENTS & NAMES	. ammt of Prop- erty	do of Tax	
K			
Kibbey Ephraim.....	26169	98	55
Karr Josiah.....	1878	4	4
Karr Josiah.....	264	..	99
Kerns Catherine.....	128	..	48
L			
Lambert Daniel.....	782	2	93
Lambert Joseph.....	184	..	68
Lackey Andrew.....	14	..	5
Leonard Jesse.....	28	..	10
Larrison Thomas.....	398	-1	48
Larnard Ezekiel.....	640	-2	43
Lemmons John.....	144	..	54
Lackey Ance.....	156	..	58
Ammount Carried	29993	112	85



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Hs Rs NAMES	amnt of	Do of	
	Prop-erty	Tax	
	Dollars	Doll ^s	Cts
M	29993	112	85
Monroe Charles.....	212	..	79
Mc maham Francis.....	14	..	5
Mc entire Thomas.....	168	..	67
Mills Hope.....	100	..	38
Mathews James.....	1082	-4	5
Mercer Aaron.....	1046	-3	85
Mercer Edward.....	120	..	40
Mergin Daniel.....	20	..	10
Morris Isaac.....	1532	-5	75
Manning John.....	578	-2	17
Menthorn Jacob.....	56	..	20
Metcalf John.....	50	..	19
More Robert.....	288	-1	8
Morris John.....	198	..	74
Morris Robert.....	28	..	10
Mc gaha David.....	74	..	28
Mc adams John.....	114	..	43
Man John.....	92	..	35
Morris Frazer.....	64	..	24
Mc lelland John.....	156	..	59
Miller Alexander.....	54	..	20
Morris Benjamin.....	20	..	8
Mc Collum John.....	28	..	10
Morrow Jeremiah.....	100	..	38
Mc Cullagh Elner.....	540	-2	6
Mc ginnins James.....	20	..	8
Meeker John.....	346	-1	30
Mills John R.—Joseph Crane agent for.....	70	..	7
	37179	1.2	38

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HOUSEs RESIs NAMES	Ammount	Do	
	of Prop-erty	of Tax	
	Dollars	Dollars	Cts
N	37179	132	38
Nelson Samuel.....	184	..	67
Niceiy Peter.....	60	..	26
Nipper Paul.....	234	..	88

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Nutts William.....	134	..	50
Nichols Nathan.....	178	..	48
O			
Orsburn Morris.....	274	-1	3
P			
Price David.....	212	..	79
Parmer Ezekiel.....	14	..	5
Persel Richard.....	260	..	98
Palser Henry.....	198	..	74
Palser Peter.....	14	..	5
Palser George.....	56	..	20
Paul John.....	156	..	58
Pricket John.....	28	..	10
Price Hezekiah.....	14	..	5
Price Jonathon.....	78	..	29
Pollock James.....	138	..	52
Powell William.....	102	..	38
Prier Andrew.....	340	-1	28
Person Willis.....	78	..	29
Carried.....	39939	142	50

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HOUSEH ^o s RESID ^s NAMES	Ammount of Prop erty Do of Tax		
	Dollars	Dollars	Cts
R			
	39939	142	50
Randle Eanos.....	262	..	97
Reeder Joseph.....	662	-2	48
Rude Zela.....	386	-1	45
Reeder Jonathan.....			
Rynolds Sylvanus.....			
Reeder George.....	222	..	83
Reed Robert.....	78	..	29
Reeder Daniel.....	192	..	13
Randle Samuel.....	100	..	38
S			
Stewart William.....	28	..	10
Spencer Oliver.....	428	-1	60
Sampson Joseph.....	50	..	19
Springer Mary.....	14	..	5

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Sutton David.....	28	..	10
Sutton Isaiah.....	78	..	29
Stewart William.....	224	..	84
Sanders Elihu.....	446	-1	66
Stewart John.....	206	..	77
Shields Thomas.....	50	..	19
Stites Hezekiah.....	1540	-5	77
Smith James.....	28	..	10
(S Carried forward-)	44961	161	29

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RESIDENTERS Hs NAMES	Amm ^t of Prop-erty		Am ^t of Tax	
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Cts
S	44961	161		29
Serring Joshua.....	14	..		5
Stites Elijah.....	440	-1		64
Smith Peter.....	410	-1		54
Sutton Benjamin.....	198	..		74
Stanley William.....	1614	-6		5
Stites Benjamin.....	? 8900	33		38
Soward Samuel.....	130	..		49
Snyder Cornelius.....	128	..		48
Spencer Gano & Crane) — Messrs &c.....)	1690	-6		34
Simpson Ephraim.....	126	..		48
Smith Revd John.....	2642	-9		90
T				
Teagard Daniel.....	64	..		24
Thomas Absolom.....	64	..		24
Talman Anne.....	562	-2		11
Tichener Jonathan.....	1014	-3		80
Tichener David.....				
Trader Sary.....	14	..		5
Totten Joseph.....	106	..	? 29	
Tice John.....	64	..		24
Tice Henry.....	14	..		5
Teagarden Moses.....	64	..		24
Townsen Abraham.....	64	..		24
Turner Hercules.....	240	..		89
Thacher James.....	88	..		33
(T Carried forward)	63611	231		20

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HOUSEHOLDERS R ^s NAMES	Amm ^t of Property	Do of Tax	
		Dollars	Cts
T			
Tetrick Jacob.....	288	1	8
Twiliger Nathaniel.....	214	..	80
V			
Valentine Amos.....	178	..	67
Vanfleet Peter.....	14	..	5
W			
Williams Moses.....	92	..	35
Wade Thomas.....	432	1	62
Winsloe Stephen.....	50	..	19
Witham James.....	644	2	41
Winings John.....	354	1	33
Woolverton John.....	108	..	41
Ward Abijah.....	106	..	40
	66091	241	23

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SINGLE MEN WITH PROP- ERTY'S NAMES	Am ^t of Property	Do of Tax	
		Dollars	Cts
	66091	241	23
Amos Manning.....	56	1	20
Ezekiel Ensloe.....	14	1	5
Sylvanus Rynolds.....	92	1	35
Jonathan Reeder.....	50	1	19
John Fryer.....	78	1	29
Antony Randle.....	50	1	19
David Tichener.....	68	1	26
	66499	248	76

Amount carried^d as below
N. B. Sing^e Mens Names without Property
Carried to folio 16.
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SING^e MENS NAMES

Resides with

	Dolls amt tax	
Israel Petersen.....	1	} Ca ^s Monroe
Amos Monroe.....	1	
Culbert Watson.....	1	..... Evan Banes
William Weaver.....	1	..... Francis McMahan
Mathew Roades.....	1	..... Joseph Brant
Andrew Still.....	1	..... John Armstrong Esq ^r
George Vanness.....	1	..... John Blackburn
James Damos.....	1	..... Abraham Huff
Edward Weston.....	1	..... Calvin Bonel
Samuel McCullum.....	1	} Ja ^s Flinn
John Halfpenny.....	1	
John Persell.....	1	..... Richard Persell
George Haw.....	1	..... Wm Goforth
Lewis Thornhill.....	1	} Aaron Mercer
Walter M. Barrett.....	1	
Robert Garden.....	1	
John Flanagan.....	1	..... Jonath ⁿ Tichener
Thomas Israel.....	1	..... Thomas Wade
James Scofield.....	1	..... Hezekiah Stites
John Spier.....	1	..... Ezra Larnard
Jacob Bell.....	1	..... Abel Bell
Thomas Morris.....	1	..... James Smith
Robert Witham.....	1 James Witham
Lewis Winings.....	1 John Winings
David Leonard.....	1 Robert Flack
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SING^e MENS NAMES

Resides with

	Dolls and tax	
Nicholas Prichet.....	1	} John Beasley
Isaiah Prichet.....	1	
Tho ^s Wisner.....	1	..... Elijah Stites
John Sutton.....	1	..... Benj ⁿ Sutton
Samuel Browner.....	1 Patrick Browner
John Giffin.....	1 Wm Giffin
Richard Jones.....	1 Wm Stanly

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Jonathan Stites.....	1	} Benj ⁿ Stites
Elijah Stites.....	1		
John Orsburn.....	1	} Moses Orsburn
Stephen Orsburn.....	1		
John Mc donel.....	1	}	..... Peggy Coderman
Jonathan Johnston.....	1		
Abner Wilkinson.....	1	}	..... Moses Huchins
Benager Heirs.....	1		
Ephraim Rineheart.....	1	}	..... Jacob Tetrick
George Twilligan.....	1		
John Devin.....	1	}	..... Richard Heirs
Daniel Mc cally.....	1		
John Charles.....	1	}	..... Peter Vanfleet
William Higginson.....	1		
William Paul.....	1	}	..... Cornelius Snyder
John Bell.....	1		
	25		..... Spencer Gano & Co
	48		
Am ^t bro ^t from Fo. 11	248		Cts
	296		"
			" —66,499 property 

1796 Columbia Township
Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
 297 76

Daniel Reeder

