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German Settlement in Illinois  
Papers and Letters, 1822, 1832-37, 1846.

Articles from *Das Westland*, v. 1-3, 1837, Heidelberg,  
Germany, G. Engelmann and Capt. Neyfield, St. Louis,  
Editors [transcripts]

Dr. George Engelmann. "Das Klima der Mississippigegenden,  
Insbesondere Der Gegend von St. Louis." Excerpt from *Das  
Westland*, v. I (1837) p. 50-60. An account written by  
George Engelmann of climatic conditions in St. Louis  
between 1833 and 1836. Signed "E". (15 pp.)

Georg Engelmann. "Die Deutsche Niederlassung in Illinois:  
fünf Meilen östlich von Belleville: Mit einer Öarte." A  
brief history of the development to 1935 of the German  
rural settlement of "Latin farmers" near Belleville, St.  
Clair County, Ill. Excerpted from *Das Westland*, v. I  
(1837), pp. 281-311 (39 pp.).

"Fortlaufende Übersicht der die Vereinigten Staaten und die  
Einwanderung dahin betreffenden Literatur." A series of  
reviews of books on North America, published in 1833,  
written in German as guidebooks for prospective German  
emigrants, taken from *Das Westland*, v. I (1837), pp. 97-  
112 (22 pp., partially translated).

Gustav Koerner. "Skizze einer Reise im Nördlichen  
Illinois." A description of a tour into Northern Illinois.  
Signed "G.K." Excerpt from *Das Westland*, v. I, pp. 91-96  
(7 pp.).

"Steigen der Preise in St. Louis." Excerpt from *Das  
Westland*, v. I, pp. 252-254, dealing with inflation in St.  
Louis in 1836 (3 pp.).

#### Travel Writings and Book Reviews

Duden Gottfried. "Vorrede sur Zweite Auflage" (Gericht, über  
eine Reise nach den westlichen Staaten Nordamerikals und  
einen mehrjährigen Aufenthalt am Missouri [in den Jahren  
1824, 25, 26 und 1827], in Bezug auf Auswanderung und  
ueber dessen Bedeutung für die hausliche und politische  
Lage der Europaer.) (St. Gallen, 1832). Unpublished MSS

preface to second edition. The text of the volume itself represents a description of Duden's journey in the west, especially Missouri, for the benefit of potential German emigrants. In his preface to the second volume Duden defended his work from the attacks of critics. [For bibliographical data see Solon J. Buck, *Travel and Description (Illinois Historical Collections, v. IX, p. 96.)* (44 pp., translation 37 pp.)

Gustav Koerner. *Beleuchtung des Dudenschen Berichtes uber die Westlichen Staaten Nord Amerika's von Amerika aus* (1834). In 1834 Koerner wrote "Review of Duden's Report Concerning the Western States of North America," published by his brother Charles in Germany. Koerner discusses geography, population, fauna, insects, and diseases, cultural opportunities, the political situation, especially regarding the moral problem of slavery, and the problem of Americanization in the life of the German emigrant (62 pp., translation 55 pp. [1 page missing], plus notes).

Marion Dexter Learned. "German Wanderings to the West," possibly completed at the University of Pennsylvania treating primarily the Colonial period but touching briefly on the nineteenth century and Illinois. Includes two anti-slavery poems of unknown source (25 pp.).

### Correspondence

Adam Klinger to Jacob Herin, Haines Township, Centre County, Penn., May 12, 1822, regarding food prices and agriculture (3 pp. photocopy and 3 pp. transcript and English translation).

Letter in German from Belleville. Beginning of June, 1836. Handwritten transcript. The author is unknown but the letter describes problems faced by some of the early German pioneers, i.e., high prices of domestic goods, help they had brought with them from Germany running away, etc. (7 pp., partially translated).

Benjamin Epley, Rockview, Stephenson County, Ill., to Hanna Xonders, Spring-Mills P.O., Centre County, Penn., Sept.

19, 1846, regarding land prices and availability in Illinois and family news (4 pp. photocopy and 5 pp. transcript and translation).