NOTE: The following photographs were taken using a hand-held iPhone 7 using natural light sometimes augmented with a single 150W flood lamp. The photos capture the Deats/Thatcher collection in the manner in which they were found, except for some small adjustments to separate bunched pieces on cabinet shelves or in drawers. We assume that the arranged display of these artifacts mostly reflect the intent of the named originators, but recognize that they have been previously handled and perhaps augmented by former HCHS agents for public display at other locations. Many items have slumped down inclined shelving probably from Main Street traffic vibration and were slightly repositioned for photographing. A number of artifacts depicted below in the Library collection have been relocated to the River Road facility as a result of professional cataloguing and archiving.
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Flemington Public Library 2nd Floor West-wing collection  ESE view
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Cabinet 1 (empty)

Cabinet 2

Cabinet 3

Cabinet On North Wall (empty)

Cabinet 4

East Wall

Flemington Public Library 2nd Floor West-wing collection
Cabinet 2      Flemington Public Library 2nd Floor
West-wing collection  (number of pieces)
2A

The State of New Jersey

To Henry M. Reed Squire. Greetings.

Whereas it hath been duly certified to the commander-in-chief of this state that you were on the 1st day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty, duly elected by the fourth company of the said town of the fourth regiment of the Hunterdon brigade of the militia of New Jersey, to be Captain of the said company. You are therefore hereby commissioned Captain of the said company, to take the said company of militia into your charge and care as your commission requires, and you are likewise directed to obey you as their Captain and to exercise both officers and soldiers of the said company in arms: and they are hereby directed to obey you as their Captain and to do all that you shall receive from your superior officer or officers: and for your enacting follow such orders and directions, from time to time, as shall be given you by the commander-in-chief of all the militia and other military forces of New Jersey, day of Lord one thousand eight hundred and United States the forty-seventh.

Witness, MAJOR GENERAL Governor of the city of Trenton, the in the year of our independence of the

James M. Reed

[Signature]

his Excellency’s command.

[Signature]
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Cabinet 2

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Cabinet 2E
Native copper cup/thimble
From Michigan

2E
Cabinet 2E
Clay beads from Buck County, Pa.
Cabinet 2, Section E
Bone awl from Kentucky, fish-bone pick
2E-F
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Cabinet 3, Section L
Mud? Beads from Buck County, Pa.

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“WAR POINTS Collected along the Delaware River”
2J  “WAR POINTS Collected along the Delaware River”
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Edmonson County, KY is where Mammoth Cave and Indian Hill are located.
Warren O. probably Warren County, Ohio Indian Burial Mounds and Earthworks including ‘Fort Ancient’
Catalina island is famous as the home of Arlington Man, perhaps the oldest human remains ever found in North America, discovered in 1959 and dated to 13,000 years ago.

http://westerndigs.org/11000-year-old-seafaring-indian-sites-discovered-on-california-island/
Mississippian-culture Bear-Swan pipe, possibly from Beasley Mounds, Smith County, Tennessee,
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FORTIFIED TOWN AT THE MOUTH OF DIXON CREEK
Also known as Beasley Mounds, was a large village area with one large platform mound 8 feet (2.4 m) in height and 125 feet (38 m) in diameter and three smaller ones. Excavations at the site in 1895 produced stone pipes, stone discoidals used for the Native American game of “chunkey” and numerous examples of Mississippian culture pottery. This location is listed the National Register of Historic Places.
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H.E. Deats Public Library Collection
Cabinet 2H Details

3/8”-thick native copper axe head
Modern catlinite pipe from Cabinet 5 Drawer 1 of Thatcher collection
One of Ohio's best sites to visit is this earthwork near Dayton that depicts two serpents facing an egg or sun disc. The site is overgrown but visible in the winter months.

A serpent mound once existed in Warren County but was destroyed by a gravel company. An identical mound can still be seen near Holton, Indiana.
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