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## IMMIGRATION AND THE LIFE OF ETHNIC SUBCOMMUNITIES







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*Immigration has played a vital role in the economic and social structure of the western world since the modern colonizing movement began in the sixteenth century. It was not, however, until the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries that the heavy volume of immigration to the United States created very serious social problems of assimilation and acculturation. Different mores and values aggravated the basic adjustment problems of essentially peasant peoples to the industrial urban environment. Subject to economic exploitation and often the unwitting tool of employers seeking to lower general wages and working standards, immigrants reacted by banding into cohesive subcommunities held together by common race, culture, language and religion in the face of economic and social discrimination. Yet the pressures of universal education, inter-marriage, and improved economic status brought about their eventual acculturation into the larger society.*

## WILLIAM J. BROMWELL. **HISTORY OF IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES.**

The author, an official in the State Department, presents a compilation from official documents of statistics in regard to the number, age, sex, occupation and country of birth of immigrants for the period 1819 to 1855. The introductory section examines the extent of immigration prior to 1819 and the appendix reprints the naturalization and passenger laws of the United States as well as some of the state laws pertaining to immigration.

**\*\*Harvard Guide**, p. 349.

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*Annals of the American Academy*

**\*\*Harvard Guide**, p. 435.

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**\*\*GHL**, #AA30; **Altholz**, #922.

1929/1965      xii, 328 pp.      \$10.00

