## Proceedings of the Semiannual Meeting

## APRIL 18, 1973 COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG

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m HE}$  semiannual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Conference Center at Colonial Williamsburg, Williamsburg, Virginia, on Wednesday April 18, 1973, a reception for members and their spouses as guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Howard Adams and a dinner having been held the previous evening. President James Russell Wiggins called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M. with the following members present: Clifton Waller Barrett, Philip Charles Beals, Francis Lewis Berkeley, Roger Pattrell Bristol, Bruce Goddard Daniels, Everett Lee DeGolyer, Jr., Henry Bowen Dewey, Linwood Mandeville Erskine, Jr., Luther Harris Evans, Pierce Welch Gaines, Frederick Herbert Jackson, Howard Bonar Jefferson, John Melville Jennings, John Jeppson, 2nd, Gordon Willis Jones, Bertram Wallace Korn, Edward Connery Lathem, Irving Lowens, Marcus Allen Mc-Corison, James Eugene Mooney, James Hastings Nichols, Dorothy Burnett Porter, Samuel Robert Rosenthal, Milton Halsey Thomas, Lawrence William Towner, Charles van Ravenswaay, Wilcomb Edward Washburn, Walter Muir Whitehill, James Russell Wiggins, Richard Samuel Wormser, and Louis Booker Wright.

The reading of the minutes of the meeting held October 18, 1972, was waived. President Wiggins reported the death of Ralph Robert Shaw on October 14, 1972.

The report of the Council was presented by Mr. McCorison and the Treasurer's report was presented by Mr. Daniels. Upon motion duly made and seconded it was

VOTED To accept the reports of the Council and the Treasurer and to refer these reports to the Committee on Publications.

The following persons were elected by ballot to membership in the Society with James H. Nichols and Frederick H. Jackson acting as tellers: Daniel Aaron, Richard Beale Davis, Philip James McNiff, Kenneth Nebenzahl, and William Davis Taylor.

Louis Booker Wright presented a paper entitled 'The Prestige of Learning in Early America.'

In closing the meeting at 12:03 P.M., President Wiggins thanked the staff of Colonial Williamsburg for the opportunity to hold the meeting at Williamsburg and thanked the members of the Society and their spouses who were acting as hosts and hostesses for social occasions in connection with the meeting. Following the close of the meeting, refreshments were served at the Coke-Garrett house where members and spouses were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Waller Barrett and luncheon was served in Christiana Campbell's Tavern. During the course of the afternoon there were special tours of facilities at Colonial Williamsburg and at the end of the afternoon a reception was held at Carter's Grove as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle H. Humelsine.

> Linwood M. Erskine, Jr. Recording Secretary

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