

## *Proceedings of the Semi-annual Meeting*

APRIL 19, 1961

AT THE CLUB OF ODD VOLUMES, BOSTON

THE semi-annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Club of Odd Volumes, 77 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, on April 19, 1961, at eleven o'clock. Carleton Rubira Richmond, President of the Society, presided at the meeting. The following members were present: Samuel Eliot Morison, Chandler Bullock, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, George Sumner Barton, Thomas Winthrop Streeter, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Theron Johnson Damon, Hamilton Vaughan Bail, Arthur Meier Schlesinger, Henry Rouse Viets, Walter Muir Whitehill, Carl Custer Cutler, Samuel Foster Damon, William Alexander Jackson, George Leslie McKay, Bradley Baldwin Gilman, Richard Allen Heald, John Alden, Sinclair Hamilton, Raymond Sanger Wilkins, Bertram Kimball Little, Carleton Rubira Richmond, Lyman Henry Butterfield, George Talbot Goodspeed, Stephen Thomas Riley, Rollo Gabriel Silver, Clifton Waller Barrett, Robert Earle Moody, Rae MacCollum Spencer, Bradford Fuller Swan, Ray Nash, Albert Goodnow Waite, Lawrence Henry Gipson, Nathaniel Wheeler, Fred Harold Daniels, Richard Mott Gummere, Edward Pierce Hamilton, Jacob Blanck, Frank Oakman Spinney, Penrose Robinson Hoopes, Thomas Randolph Adams, Michael Joseph Walsh, Roger Butterfield, Esther Forbes, Ebenezer Gay, Harold Hugo, Marcus Allen McCorison, William Bradford Osgood, Malcolm Freiberg, Frank Leighton Harrington, and Milton Halsey Thomas.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the call for the meeting.

It was also voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the Annual Meeting of October 19, 1960, these having been distributed in print.

The Director, Mr. Shipton, read the Report of the Council, and it was voted to accept the report and refer it to the Committee on Publications.

The election of new members being in order, the President announced the following recommendations by the Council for membership in the Society.

Whitfield Jenks Bell, Jr., of New Haven, Connecticut.

Linwood Mandeville Erskine, Jr., of Paxton.

Richard Walden Hale, Jr., of Chestnut Hill.

James Joseph Heslin, of New York.

John Haskell Kemble, of Claremont, California.

Edward Connery Lathem, of Hanover, New Hampshire.

John Francis McDermott, of St. Louis, Missouri.

Andrew Oliver, of New York.

Ivan Sandrof, of Worcester.

Mr. Richmond appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Osgood and Mr. McCorison to distribute and count the ballots.

Mr. Osgood reported that forty-nine votes were cast, all being in favor, and none opposed.

The paper, "Efforts Toward American Colonial Union, 1754," was presented by Lawrence H. Gipson of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and Esther Forbes spoke on "New Light on American Witchcraft."

At the close of the meeting the members of the Society were entertained at luncheon by Mr. Streeter at the Club of Odd Volumes.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Recording Secretary*

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