

Proceedings of the Semi-annual Meeting

APRIL 18, 1962

AT THE CLUB OF ODD VOLUMES, BOSTON

THE semi-annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Club of Odd Volumes in Boston, Massachusetts, on April 18, 1962. The meeting was opened at 11:00 a.m. with President Carleton R. Richmond presiding, and with the following members present: Thomas Randolph Adams, John Alden, Hamilton Vaughan Bail, Bernard Baily, Jacob Blanck, Mark Bortman, Augustus George Bullock, Lyman Henry Butterfield, Roger Butterfield, Carl Custer Cutler, Samuel Foster Damon, Theron Johnson Damon, Fred Harold Daniels, Ernest Stanley Dodge, Esther Forbes, Malcolm Freiberg, Ebenezer Gay, Richard Gimbel, Richard Mott Gummere, Richard Walden Hale, Edward Pierce Hamilton, Sinclair Hamilton, Frank Leighton Harrington, William Henry Harrison, Richard Allen Heald, Penrose Robinson Hoopes, Harold Hugo, William Alexander Jackson, John Jeppson 2nd, Alden Porter Johnson, Marcus Allen McCorison, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, Robert Earle Moody, Samuel Eliot Morison, Chauncey Cushing Nash, Ray Nash, William Bradford Osgood, Carleton Rubira Richmond, Stephen Thomas Riley, Ivan Sandrof, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Rae MacCollum Spencer, George Russell Stobbs, Bradford Fuller Swan, Milton Halsey Thomas, Henry Rouse Viets, Nicholas Biddle Wainwright,

Albert Goodnow Waite, Michael Joseph Walsh, Nathaniel Wheeler and Walter Muir Whitehill.

It was moved, seconded and voted that the reading of the call to the meeting and the minutes of the last meeting be omitted.

The report of the Council was submitted by Mr. Shipton. The Treasurer, A. George Bullock, then reported briefly on the finances of the Society.

Mr. Richmond reported that the Council recommended for membership Francis L. Berkeley, Jr., of Charlottesville, Virginia, and Paris Fletcher of Worcester. Messrs. Jeppson and Harrison were appointed a committee to distribute, collect and tabulate the ballots for the election of new members. Mr. Jeppson reported that of forty-three ballots which had been cast, none were in opposition to the candidates. Mr. Richmond thereupon declared the candidates unanimously elected.

A paper entitled "The Personality of a Diarist—Sidney George Fisher," was presented by Nicholas B. Wainwright of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Bernard Bailyn of Harvard University delivered his paper on "Haman and Ahasuerus: Some Notes on the Whig Interpretation of the American Revolution."

Following a brief discussion of the papers, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m., following which the members were entertained at luncheon by President Richmond.

Respectfully submitted,

MARCUS A. McCORISON,

Recording Secretary, Pro-Tem.

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