

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

At a meeting of the Council September 29, 1894, on motion of Hon. Edward L. Davis, it was voted that the committee on the library be authorized to construct additional shelf-room in the lower hall. After careful consideration a contract was made with the Norcross Brothers for transforming it into a stack-room. The stacks are of iron, eight and one-half feet high, with shelves of wood, being material brought from the Massachusetts State Library in the State House, Boston. While the hall is well filled, the wall shelving, fronting a passageway of four feet, is still retained. There are also passageways of six and five feet width respectively, running through the centre from east to west and from north to south. Five aisles from three to four feet in width, varying according to the location of the iron pillars and radiators, run north and south. The stacks, which are painted white, are well lighted by four large windows upon Highland Street on the north, and by an equal number upon the open court between Antiquarian Hall and the brick Court House on the south. The use of this room for our overflow will greatly relieve the pressure upon the main halls and manuscript room and further the classification by alcoves, which has been for so many years a marked feature of our library. And here I record not only the librarian's grateful appreciation of this timely aid, but that of his two assistants. The withdrawal December 31, 1894, of Miss Mary F. Goodwin, after nearly a year's conscientious and painstaking service, is here noted.

Some years since, the perishable material in our Cabinet was transferred to the Peabody Museum in Cambridge and

to the museum of the Worcester Society of Antiquity. The Council Records show the following supplementary action: On September 24, 1892, "The matter of disposing of the remains of the cabinet—including a large number of relics—was discussed at some length, and on motion was referred to a committee of two, consisting of Mr. J. Evarts Greene and Dr. G. Stanley Hall." On October 20, 1892, "Mr. J. Evarts Greene made a partial report from the committee on the cabinet. On motion of Judge P. Emory Aldrich voted that the attention of Prof. Frederic W. Putnam be called to the collection in the cabinet, with a view and with permission to select a portion for the Peabody Museum of American Archæology and Ethnology, to decide if others should remain with us, and to offer the residue to the Worcester Society of Antiquity." The important Columbian Exposition work to which Prof. Putnam was called, delayed the action contemplated by the Council. However, the archaeological and ethnological material selected on March 12, 1895, by Prof. Putnam and Dr. George A. Dorsey of his staff, was expressed to Cambridge on the next day, and the residue—chiefly historical—was transferred to the Worcester Society of Antiquity on the day after. The two cases of Indian relics, selected by Messrs. Stephen Salisbury, Jr., and William A. Smith, as reported in our Proceedings of April 29, 1868, are intact in our main hall. Mr. Salisbury's cases of Yucatecan remains still suggest our archaeological and ethnological interests. Such transfers as have been herein reported by our National Society, mean a step forward—a real help to scientific research. That the public museum as well as the public library has come to stay seems not to admit of a doubt, though the plan of uniting them is still in its experimental stage. We shall agree with Dr. G. Brown Goode that "The museum of the past must be set aside, reconstructed, transformed from a cemetery of bric-a-brac into a nursery of living thoughts." And his definition of such an institu-

tion is admirable: "An efficient educational museum may be described as a collection of instructive labels, each illustrated by a well-selected specimen."

The death of our associate, the Honorable Robert C. Winthrop, recalls a tribute paid to his father which is equally applicable to the son. In the Society's Proceedings of October 23, 1843, we read: "Among our early and steady friends, we may number another, distinguished for his love of antiquarian research and his able and friendly support. The late Lieut.-Governor Thomas L. Winthrop proved himself on all occasions a firm, steadfast, sincere and able friend. As far as was in his power, he let no opportunity escape him to promote our interests and prosperity. His benevolence and his labors were active, efficient and untiring." The second name upon our October roll of members—that of the Rev. Dr. George E. Ellis—was starred but a few days after that of Mr. Winthrop, his friend and neighbor. His acceptance of membership, dated Charlestown, Mass., July 9, 1847, contains the following paragraph: "I shall take pleasure in any labor which will help, on my part, to advance the good objects of the Society, and to share the tasks which now belong to an increasing number among us." Our printed and manuscript records, as well as his last will and testament, show how faithfully he kept this promise.

A leading librarian and indexer asks, "Why has not your Society published an alphabetical index to the valuable bibliography appended to its reprint of Thomas's *History of Printing*?" The importance of such a labor-saving device is recognized, but we have at present neither the time for its preparation nor the funds for its publication. A partial return, however, might be obtained by the sale of the scant one hundred reprints. A title-page and preface could precede the list and the proposed index follow it. Thus dignity and value would be added to a work which Dr. Haven greatly desired should appear, in this separate

form, as a memorial of his soldier-son and namesake, and in recognition of his labor upon it.

Our senior Vice-President suggests the printing of the following testimony recently received from Mr. Francis Keep now living, at the age of seventy-two, in Southbridge, Massachusetts. Brief extracts from his letter of March 19, 1895, will explain his personal interest in the accompanying narrative. He writes: "Enclosed is an account of Niagara running dry in the spring of 1848. As I was an eye-witness of the fact—having been there at work at that time—would be pleased to have it recorded in some Historical Society for future reference. The American side was dry. The same season the Suspension Bridge was begun under Engineer Ellet who built the ram boats in war times. I presume I am the only man now living in Massachusetts who saw the falls at that time. Mr. James R. Clapp (a companion of Mr. Keep), lives now in Kewanee, Ill." Following is the account:—

"THE FALLS OF NIAGARA RAN DRY.

"Those who have seen this tremendous cataract will consider that it is an absurd fable to talk of the Falls running dry, and only worthy to be recorded in Baron Munchausen's wonderful adventures. Still, strange and incredible as it may appear, the truth in this case is stranger than fiction. Such an event actually occurred about forty-five years since, and there is not the faintest trace of a tradition that it ever occurred before, and most certainly it never happened since. I have frequently heard the particulars from the late Bishop of Niagara, also from his brother-in-law, Mr. Thomas C. Street. Indeed, some years since Bishop Fuller gave an account of the wonderful phenomenon over his own name in a Hamilton paper, from which the greater part of the following statement is taken. It occurred on the morning of the 31st of March, 1848. Mr. Thomas C. Street lived at that time in the pretty homestead over the islands, to which he and his sister and friends had access by a suspension bridge he had erected. There was a mill at the end of the rapids that belonged to the Street

family. On the morning in question his miller knocked at his bedroom door about five o'clock, and told him to get up quickly, as there was no water in the millrace nor in the great river outside. He said he was startled by the intelligence, and hurried out as soon as he could dress himself. There before him he saw the river channel, on whose banks he had been born thirty-four years previous, almost entirely dry.

"After a hurried breakfast, Mr. Street and his youngest sister went down about three-quarters of a mile to the precipice itself, over which there was so little water running that, having provided himself with a strong pole, they started from Table Rock and walked near the edge of the precipice about one-third of the way toward Goat Island on the American shore. On the mass of rock where human foot never before trod, Miss Street having tied her handkerchief on the end of the pole they set it up firmly among the rocks. Mr. Street said that he turned his view toward the river below the Falls, and saw the water so shallow that immense rocks stood up in such a frightful and picturesque manner that he shuddered when he thought of having frequently passed over them in the little steamer *Maid of the Mist*. He then returned home and drove along the Canada shore about half a mile above Goat Island.

"Various relics of the War of 1812, flung into the river after the battle of Lundy's Lane—rusty muskets, bayonets, etc.—were found among the rocks that were laid bare. Dr. Fuller did not get there until after the breaking up of the ice dam, but he found everyone in the neighborhood greatly excited at the wonderful event. Mr. Street's theory to account for the recession of the waters was this: That the winds had been blowing down Lake Erie, which is only about eight feet deep, and had been rushing a great deal of water from it over to the western portion of the lake. At this juncture, the ice on Lake Erie, which had been broken by these high winds, got jammed in the river, between Buffalo and the Canada side, and formed a dam which kept back the water of Lake Erie a whole day."—*Well Spring*.

Our brief library statistics for the past six months, follow: The sources of gifts—including the four individual funds—have been three hundred and four, namely, forty-

five members, one hundred and thirty-two persons not members, and one hundred and twenty-seven societies and institutions. From these we have received six hundred and forty-nine books, forty-six hundred and ninety pamphlets, six bound and one hundred and forty-six volumes of unbound newspapers, thirty-five photographs, fifteen manuscripts, six engravings, one medal, a case of phonographic cylinders and a collection of postage stamps; by exchange, forty-three books and thirteen pamphlets; and from the bindery, six volumes of magazines and ten volumes of newspapers; making a total of six hundred and ninety-eight books, forty-seven hundred and three pamphlets, nineteen volumes of bound and one hundred and fifty-six of unbound newspapers, etc.

Special reference is made to the following: Our associate, Mr. Henry W. Taft, has sent a valued contribution to our set of Massachusetts House Journals of 1766-67 and 1775-76. In the appended list of Givers and Gifts will be found, "Edward H. Thompson, Merida, Yucatan, a collection of phonographic cylinders, being studies in Maya." This brief entry suggests the first gift to a department which may become of great historical and linguistic importance. Mr. James L. Whitney's first gift after election to membership includes rare historical and genealogical brochures relating to towns and families in Western Massachusetts. Mr. George Tolman, secretary of the Concord, Mass., committee of five appointed March 30, 1891, "to procure the printing of the town's ancient registers of births, marriages and deaths," has placed the finished work upon our shelves. It was one of the last requests of our lamented associate Rev. Dr. Grindall Reynolds, chairman of the committee, that a copy of the work be purchased on his account and presented to this Society. John S. Keyes, Charles H. Walcott and Samuel Hoar were also members of this important committee. Mrs. Samuel Foster Haven, executrix, has deposited another instalment of Dr. Haven's

books in the alcove which bears his honored name. In one of the volumes is the following incentive to the modern librarian: "Worcester, April 30th, 1859, Presented to Samuel F. Haven, Esq., by Dexter F. Parker, as a token of his esteem and respect and deep gratitude to one who, when the donor was a humble student, kindly opened to him the rich stores under his control and gave him also the counsel, advice and instruction that were better to him than gifts of gold." Mr. Parker was at this time a member of the Massachusetts Senate and his last office was that of Major of the Tenth Massachusetts Volunteers. An arm shattered at the battle of Spottsylvania was amputated at Fredericksburg, Va.,—where it was my privilege to serve him,—but he died shortly after his removal to Washington, D. C.

Edward B. Nims, M.D.,—Dr. Pliny Earle's successor at the State Lunatic Hospital at Northampton,—has presented over eight hundred Insane Asylum reports and treatises upon insanity, and promises a further enrichment of the Earle collection. Rev. Dr. Henry T. Cheever's deposit of the *Hawaiian Gazette* has a peculiar, present value now that history is being made so rapidly in the so-called "Paradise of the Pacific." Mr. Harry V. Army, of New Orleans, La.,—a student in the department of chemistry in the University of Göttingen,—has sent us some manuscript notes concerning Franklin's visit in 1766 to Göttingen and its University. Isaac Townsend Smith, Consul-General of Siam, has forwarded from New York thirty-nine bound volumes inscribed as follows: "A Siamese Edition of the Sacred Writings of the Southern Buddhists, the TRIPITAKA, sent as a present by His Majesty Sometch Phra Paramindr Maha Chulalonkorn Phra Chula Chom Klao, King of Siam in Commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of his Reign."

The librarian's report of April, 1890, stated that the average number of givers during the five previous years was two hundred and twenty-seven, namely, from forty-

four members, one hundred and four persons not members, and ninety-three societies and institutions. The record of the past five years to the present report, shows a semi-annual average of two hundred and eighty-seven givers, namely, forty-three members, one hundred and thirty persons not members, and one hundred and thirteen societies and institutions; a marked gain except within our own membership.

I have been asked to report briefly a list of the portraits which appear in the *New England Magazine*, 1831-1835. The first three volumes of this Boston periodical were edited by Joseph T. Buckingham and son, the next four by the father alone, the eighth and last by Samuel G. Howe and John O. Sargent. In our set there are ten portraits, all lithographed by Pendleton of Boston. The originals of the first two here listed were painted by Gilbert Stuart, the next three by Chester Harding, the next one by S. S. Osgood, and the last three by unnamed artists. The list is therefore 1, "John T. Kirkland, D.D., LL.D., late President of Harvard University," in volume one; 2, Paul Revere; 3, Charles Sprague, and 4, Hon. Joseph Story, LL.D., in volume three; 5, "Jacob Kuhn, Sergeant-at-Arms for 48 years in the Legislature of Massachusetts," in volume six; 6, Daniel Webster, in volume seven; 7, Hon. Edward Everett, in volume five; 8, Nathaniel Hurd, in volume three; 9, "William M. Goodrich, Organ Builder, Boston, born 1777. Painted 1820. Died 1833," in volume six; 10, James Thacher, M.D., in volume seven. While the painters before named are too well known for further mention, the reverse is true of William S. Pendleton the lithographer. I therefore quote from the manuscript diary of Christopher Columbus Baldwin, a former librarian of this Society, as follows:

"Sept. 11, Wed. 1834. I was introduced to W. S. Pendleton, the lithographic printer of Boston. He was the first who introduced this curious art into the United States.

He exhibited the first specimens of it in Boston in 1824. He gave me this account of himself. He was born in the city of New York in 1795, and at an early age was put to learn the trade of a copper plate engraver. His father was a native of Liverpool, England, and was Captain of a New York and Liverpool Packet, whose wife was by birth a native of England, but at the time of her marriage a widow lady residing in New York. He was lost in a storm at sea in 1798, leaving two children, W. S., above-named, and a younger son. William S. (I think his name is William), after coming of age, went in 1819 to Washington where he pursued his business as engraver for about a year when he was joined by his brother, and mounting their packs, they started in pursuit of their fortunes to unknown West. When they reached Pittsburgh, his brother returned, having been invited by the Peales of Philadelphia to make an exhibition of the 'Court of Death,' and W. S. remained there. He could find no employment in his trade and being driven to his wits, betook to teaching music. He gave lessons upon the flute and piano-forte and continued in this business until 1824, when he returned to New York and soon afterwards went to Boston where he resumed the business of engraving. A merchant by the name of Thaxter having brought out from Paris an apparatus for printing lithographing circulars, but not being acquainted with using it sufficiently to operate it to advantage was glad to dispose of to Mr. Pendleton who, by his ingenuity, was able in a short time to put it in successful operation. His brother was now in Paris, and having communicated with him upon the subject, they formed a copartnership and a press was soon established in Boston, where he has continued from 1824 to the present time. He is an intelligent and enterprising man."

The following additional items are gleaned from Boston directories of the period. In 1825, William Pendleton and Abel Bowen, the publisher of three illustrated editions of Bowen's Picture of Boston, appear in partnership as copper-plate printers in Harvard Place. In 1826, William and John Pendleton are recorded as copper-plate and lithographic printers in the same place; while from 1827 to 1830 inclusive, the "Pendleton establishment" was located

at No. 1 Graphic Court, Washington Street, opposite the end of Franklin Street and near Marlboro Hotel. In 1831, William Pendleton was at No. 1 Graphic Court, as above, but with no partner, and his house was on Norfolk Avenue. In 1832, the name appears correctly as William S. and his business location as in 1831. From 1833 to 1837 inclusive, he was at 206, 208 and 204 Washington Street, though the entry of 1837, which is the last, mentions no trade.

An attempt to list portraits in later periodicals, like *The Democratic Review*, 1838-1859, and the *American Whig Review*, 1845-1852, would serve to show how few sets of these magazines contain all the good, bad and indifferent portrayals of the prominent characters of the period. I will, however, call attention to one, which is a veritable caricature, in volume eleven of the last named periodical. It is an etched and stippled mezzotint of "John Davis, Senator from Massachusetts," who was also a President of this Society. In a later volume is inserted a slip upon which appears the following statement: "Our Massachusetts subscribers are respectfully informed that the plate of the Hon. John Davis having failed to answer the expectation of the publishers it will be engraved anew, in the best style, and a copy sent to each subscriber." This revised and improved copy appears in volume twelve opposite an engraving of John C. Calhoun. The spirit of the times is well shown by the following extract from the same number of the *Review*:—

"Our publication of portraits of distinguished Whig legislators and editors, while it has added a strong feature of interest and increased the value of our work as an authentic *chronicle* and *picture* of the age, has subjected us to some annoyance, by making us the mark for partisan abuse and sectional hatred. The publication of a Southern face, especially if it be of a statesman ardent and eminent in the protection of State rights, embitters the minds of ultra Northern partisans, who immediately surmise that the *Whig Review* has gone over to the slave interest. Equal discontent is manifested in other quarters on the appearance of the portrait of any

eminent Northern man. Our friends and judicious readers generally, will perceive that if sectional hatreds and prejudice were to be in the least regarded, it would be necessary during the present contest, to suspend the publication of memoirs and portraits altogether, and to suppress these abstracts of public speeches which are at present so important a feature in the Review. The Review in the fulfilment of its duty as a *National Whig Journal*, will not hesitate to publish, as heretofore, with entire impartiality, portraits, sometimes accompanied by memoirs, of Whig statesmen representing both extremes of opinion; nor will it decline to commemorate, without regard to party, the lives of men who, like John Caldwell Calhoun, have set a great example of public virtue."

The genealogist, whether male or female, who is primarily in search not of the missing link in the family chain, but of the unclaimed fortune overlooked by the family but discovered by some kerbstone lawyer, is still present with us. In previous reports I have had occasion to quote Ministers Everett and Phelps upon this subject. Let me now add a few paragraphs from a letter addressed to Secretary Frelinghuysen by Minister Lowell, November 15, 1884, and strongly confirmed by letter of Minister Lincoln to Secretary Blaine, February 19, 1891. Mr. Lowell says: "I hope it may be of some use in saving the money of those foolish dupes in the United States who have not already thrown it away in the more than useless pursuit of imaginary fortunes in Great Britain. They might as well seek to recover possession of a Castle in Spain through the intervention of our minister to that country. I may as well mention that in a letter received within a few days with relation to a non-existent estate there was enclosed a lithographed circular in the name of an equally non-existent firm of solicitors. I have already communicated with the police in respect of these swindlers, and have some hope that we may be able to break up one at least, of these dens of thieves." A wise, though less seriously minded, writer concludes a recent article in the *Cincinnati Gazette* as fol-

lows: "Let me give you a piece of advice. If your family are heirs to untold millions in Europe, don't breathe it to a soul. Get all the satisfaction you can out of the reflection that you ought to be in the House of Lords and the master of an old ancestral home, but keep your weekly wages in your pocket."

Among the labor-saving devices for which the librarian of to-day more or less patiently waits, are printed lists of all persons engaged in any way in the service of their country in the War of the Revolution. While private venture at Washington or elsewhere may *list* the officers of that eventful period, it would seem that each State engaged therein should now attempt an exhaustive list, with such documentary *data* as will be useful, not only to those who may desire to become Sons or Daughters of the Revolution, but to town and family historians. I bespeak your favorable consideration of efforts making and to be made in this direction.

In close connection with this subject is the Family Bible, with its registry of births, marriages and deaths. Its absence has been not infrequently a serious drawback to speedily acquiring an undoubted and honorable right of entrance into the patriotic orders to which reference has been made. The dogmatic statement that "it must have been sent down to the Antiquarian" has seldom proved true. While our card catalogue contains cross references to all such items of family history therein found, I have thought it wise to make a careful, personal examination, and to report briefly but alphabetically in print. Thus in a 12mo Bible printed by Adrian Watkins at Edinburgh, in 1756, are two entries under ADAMS and PATCH dated 1739 and 1777 respectively, and in another Edinburgh Bible of the same size from the press of Mark and Charles Kerr, in 1791, are found nine entries of births and marriages of the ALBRO family. Registered under the name of BUFFUM, in volume two of Purver's translation of the Bible, London folio 1764, will be found eleven births from 1781 to

1789 inclusive. Robinson, Pratt and Company's edition of the Bible, 8vo, New York, 1841, has ten DAVIS entries, 1830-1850. In a small quarto Irish Testament printed in 1681, eight marriages in the DEVOTION family are recorded between 1738 and 1758. In a copy of the rare Isaiah Thomas octavo Bible of 1793 were found under the name FISKE four births, three deaths and two marriages between 1795 and 1840. Twenty entries under LYNDE appear in an Oxford folio Bible of 1688 sold by Thomas Guy. A single entry, that of his birth, follows Timothy Paine's autograph in a royal quarto from which the title-pages are missing. In Teprell's quarto Bible of Boston, 1826, were found nine entries of births and deaths, 1749-1863, of the ROTH family; and Mathew Carey's 12mo Bible of 1803 has nine birth entries and two of marriage under the name of SOMMERS. In volume 2 of Poole's Annotations upon the Bible, 4th edition, folio, London, 1700, may be found a record of four marriages in the WELLS family. The disappearance of such valuables from our homes is not easily accounted for, and their reappearance is sometimes a still greater surprise. One of the volumes above mentioned was bought by your librarian at a New England book-stall for ten cents.

I close this report with a reminder of our duty and privilege, as expressed by Dr. Samuel A. Green of the Council just twenty years ago:—

“The sure and safe way then is for an antiquarian library to collect anything and everything in the shape of a book, pamphlet, broadside or ballad, on the supposition that the time may come when it will pay to winnow the chaff to find the grain. This holds good particularly in a new country, where society is not wholly formed,—is somewhat transitory in its character,—and its best reflection is found in the local literature. The habits of thought of a people are best shown in what comes from the printing-press.”

Respectfully submitted.

EDMUND M. BARTON,

Librarian.

Gifts and Offers.

FROM MEMBERS.

- ADAMS, CHARLES FRANCIS, LL.D., Lincoln.—“Tributes to the memory of Ebenezer Rockwood Hoar,” including that of Mr. Adams.
- ALDRICH, Hon. P. EMORY, Worcester.—Sixty-six magazines; and two files of newspapers, in continuation.
- BARTON, EDMUND M., Worcester.—Twenty-five historical photographs; and St. Andrew's Cross, in continuation.
- BRINTON, DANIEL G., LL.D., Philadelphia, Pa.—Three of his own publications.
- BUTLER, JAMES D., LL.D., Madison, Wis.—His “Octogenarian Reminiscences”; and “An account of the Celebration of his eightieth birthday by the Madison Literary Club.”
- CHASE, CHARLES A., Worcester.—His “Does the Income Tax apply to the Savings Banks of Massachusetts”; one book; eleven pamphlets; and five manuscripts.
- CLARKE, ROBERT, Cincinnati, O.—Howell's “Recollections in Ohio from 1813-1840.”
- DAVIS, Hon. EDWARD L., Worcester.—Fourteen books; and one hundred and forty-five pamphlets.
- DAVIS, Hon. J. C. BANCROFT, Washington, D. C.—Tribute of the State of New York to Hon. Hamilton Fish.
- GILMAN, DANIEL C., LL.D., Baltimore, Md.—His report as President of Johns Hopkins University, 1894; and Tributes to George Huntington Williams.
- GREEN, Hon. SAMUEL A., Boston.—Three of his own publications; forty books; three hundred and nineteen pamphlets; two periodicals, in continuation; one engraving; and one proclamation.
- HALE, Rev. EDWARD E., D.D., Roxbury.—The Edinburgh reprint of Eliot's Indian Primer of 1669; and twenty numbers of the Society's publications.
- GUILD, REUBEN A., LL.D., Providence, R. I.—His “Commencement Customs.”
- HILL, HAMILTON A., LL.D., Boston.—Two of his historical publications.
- HOADLY, CHARLES J., LL.D., Hartford, Conn.—Fast and Thanksgiving Day proclamations.

- HOAR, Hon. GEORGE F., Worcester.—Eight books; one hundred and sixty-one pamphlets; ten files of newspapers, in continuation; twenty-five historical photographs; four engravings; and two manuscripts.
- JOHNSON, Hon. EDWARD F., Woburn.—One programme.
- JONES, JOSEPH, LL.D., New Orleans, La.—His “Diphtheria, Observations on its History and Progress.”
- LEA, HENRY CHARLES, LL.D., Philadelphia, Pa.—His brochure on “Philosophical Sin.”
- LOVE, Rev. WILLIAM DELOSS, Jr., Ph.D., Hartford, Conn.—His “Fast and Thanksgiving Days of New England.”
- MASON, EDWARD G., Chicago, Ill.—One pamphlet.
- MCMASTER, JOHN B., Philadelphia, Pa.—His “History of the People of the United States.” Vol. IV.
- MEAD, EDWIN D., Boston.—His “Rufus Putnam Memorial of Rutland”; and his “Old South Work.”
- MARSH, Hon. HENRY A., *Mayor*, Worcester.—His Third Inaugural Address.
- OBER, FREDERIC A., Washington, D. C.—Two pamphlets concerning the Ruins of Central America.
- PAINE, Rev. GEORGE S., Worcester.—“The Spirit of Missions,” in continuation.
- PAINE, NATHANIEL, Worcester.—One book; two hundred and seventy-nine pamphlets; nine photographs; and three files of newspapers, in continuation.
- PEET, STEPHEN D., Ph.D., Good Hope, Ill.—His “American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal,” as issued.
- PERRY, Right Rev. WILLIAM STEVENS, D.D., Davenport, Ia.—The “Iowa Churchman,” as issued.
- PUTNAM, Prof. FREDERIC W., Cambridge.—His report on the Peabody Museum of American Archæology and Ethnology, 1894.
- ROGERS, Gen. HORATIO, *Commissioner*, Providence, R. I.—“Early Records of the Town of Providence,” Vol. VII.; and third Report of the Record Commissioner, relating to Town Records.
- SALISBURY, Hon. STEPHEN, Worcester.—Three books; five hundred and sixty-three pamphlets; six files of newspapers, in continuation; and a collection of programmes.
- SMITH, CHARLES C., Boston.—His Annual Report of 1895 as Treasurer of the Massachusetts Historical Society.
- SMITH, Rev. EGBERT C., D.D., Andover.—His Centennial address at Bowdoin College, 1894; and one pamphlet.
- SMITH, WILLIAM A., Worcester.—Medal made in honor of Hon. John Davis.

- TAFT, HENRY W., Pittsfield.—Journals of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, 1766-7 and 1775-6; and the "Journal of Doctor Jeremiah Smipleton's tour to Ohio."
- THOMPSON, EDWARD H., Mérida, Yucatan.—Phonographic cylinders, being "Studies in Maya."
- TYLER, MOSES COIT, LL.D., Ithaca, N. Y.—Course of Study in the President White School of History and Political Science, 1895-96.
- WALKER, Gen. FRANCIS A., Boston.—His annual report of 1894 as President of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; with other pamphlets relating to the Institute.
- WHITNEY, JAMES L., Cambridge.—His "Hand-Book for Readers in the Boston Public Library"; and eleven historical and genealogical brochures.
- WINSOR, JUSTIN, LL.D., Cambridge.—His "Early Printed Sources of New England History, 1602-1629"; his "Archives of Harvard College"; and his Seventeenth Annual Report as Librarian of Harvard College.

FROM PERSONS NOT MEMBERS.

- ALDRICH, Mrs. P. EMORY, *Executrix*, Worcester.—Seven books; three hundred and sixty-seven pamphlets; and three files of newspapers.
- AMES, JOHN G., *Superintendent*, Washington, D. C.—His Report on the Receipt, Distribution and Sale of United States Public Documents, 1894.
- ANDERSON, JOHN, Jr., New York.—Sullivan's paper on the first American Bible.
- ANGELL, GEORGE T., *President*.—Numbers of "Our Dumb Animals," to complete file.
- ARENA PUBLISHING COMPANY.—Numbers of the "Arena."
- ARNY, HARRY V., New Orleans, La.—Manuscript notes relating to Franklin's visit to Göttingen in 1766.
- BAKER, CHARLES, Jr., Worcester.—"Aftermath of '93, the Tale of the Goat."
- BARTON, Miss CLARA, Washington, D. C.—Her "History of the Red Cross."
- BEER, WILLIAM, New Orleans, La.—Tribute to Judge Charles Gayarré.
- BELL, Mrs. CHARLES H., Exeter, N. H.—Slafter's "Memoir of Charles Henry Bell, LL.D."
- BIRLÉ, PHILIP M., Gettysburg, Pa.—Index to the "Lutheran Quarterly," 1871-1880.
- BOCCA, SILVIO, Rome, Italy.—Two pamphlets.
- BOWES, JAMES L., Liverpool, G. B.—"Hand-Book to the Bowes Museum"; and "The Gardens of Yedo."

- BRADLEE, REV. CALEB D., D.D., Boston.—“Recollections of a Ministry of Forty Years”; and one pamphlet.
- BROWN, WILLARD E., Honolulu, S. I.—Numbers of the “The Hawaiian Gazette.”
- BROWNE, FRANCIS F., Chicago, Ill.—His “Dial,” as issued.
- BUCK, HORACE B., Worcester.—His “Genealogy of the Samuel Buck Family.”
- BURGESS, REV. FRANCIS G., Worcester.—Eighteen books; fifty-four pamphlets; the “Spirit of Missions,” in continuation; and two proclamations.
- CATHOLIC PUBLISHING COMPANY, New York.—Numbers of the “Catholic World.”
- CHAMBERLIN, HENRY H., Worcester.—His “George William Curtis and his Antecedents.”
- CHEEVER, REV. HENRY T., D.D., Worcester.—“The Hawaiian Gazette,” in continuation.
- CILLEY, GEN. J. P., Rockland, Me.—Numbers of “The Monthly Bugle.”
- COMMONWEALTH PUBLISHING COMPANY.—The “Boston Commonwealth,” as issued.
- CONATY, REV. THOMAS J., D.D., Worcester.—His “Temperance Idea in Education”; and the “Catholic School and Home Magazine,” as issued.
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