

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

ON July 28, 1896, the remainder of our collection of minerals was delivered to Dr. Leonard P. Kinnicutt for the use of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, with the understanding that what the Institute does not retain will be sent to the Worcester Natural History Society. This is the final act in the distribution authorized by the Council September 24, 1892, which is explained in the librarian's report of April 24, 1895. And here I note the earlier action of the Council regarding the cabinet. On December 31, 1834, it was "voted that a Committee be chosen to report what disposition shall be made of the Printing Press presented by Mr. Thomas"; September 5, 1853, "voted to choose a Committee to consider the best mode of disposing of the Curiosities and Cabinet articles belonging to the Society. Chose Hon. Stephen Salisbury and Hon. Isaac Davis"; and March 23, 1884, "voted that the Library Committee be authorized to make exchanges of perishable articles, in their discretion, as most for the interest of the Society."

The present revival of interest in *Ex Libris* matters may serve a good as well as a doubtful purpose. It has led to the securing of Thomas, Haven and Dewey plates for use in the books received from them or bought with their funds. I recommend the addition of a George E. Ellis book-plate, to complete our collection, and that the design be that adopted for those above named. Our founder's library—the basis of our great collection—has added value in the fact that his plate appears in so many of its books. It is the Thomas coat of arms with the name Isaiah Thomas engraved below it. Its motto is "*Nec elatus nec dejectus.*"

While this engraving has been attributed to Thomas Johnson, it is not unlikely that it is the work of Paul Revere, the friend and compatriot of Thomas. The Twichell lithograph was placed on all the books and articles received from Mrs. Twichell and her daughter Theolotia. The headline is "American Antiquarian Society," while near the bottom appears "Given in memory of Ginery Twichell." The design is three connected medallions. The centre and larger contains the head of Mr. Twichell, late in life, surrounded by the legend, "Ginery Twichell, Born 1811, Died 1883." The small medallion above represents Twichell the post-rider and bears the date 1846, while that of the same size below suggests his railroad service by the figure of a locomotive and the date 1848—1878. The Isaac Davis steel plate is in monogram form, "the gift of," *etc.*, appearing upon a scroll which crosses its face, the name of the Society, in heavy letters, surrounding the centre design. The beauty and simplicity of this plate so impressed Dr. Chandler that he ordered one of like design, the scroll being inscribed "From George Chandler, Worcester, Mass." The Thomas, Haven, and Dewey plates are practically alike, though each has a half-tone, mid-life portrait of the giver of the fund. The name of the Society is at the top and that of the fund at the bottom, while between are three slightly connected medallions. The upper is the seal of the Society with its motto, "*Nec poterit ferrum nec edax abolere vetustas*," and the date of incorporation—1812—upon the face of one of the temple steps. Below is the portrait of the giver, whose name, with year of birth and death, surrounds it. Alongside the seal and a little below, is the circle within which, partially obscured, a map of the western hemisphere indicates the special field which we aim to cover.

The usual announcement is made that bound copies of our Proceedings, Volume X., New Series, are ready for delivery. We wish to hear from members and corresponding

societies at a distance, whether the Proceedings sent by express at postage rates, reach them in better condition than by mail. While care is taken in their preparation, it is possible that the heavy envelope with rubber band would be preferable to the tied wrapper. It is of the first importance that our publications—which are now sent literally to the ends of the earth—should arrive in good order.

I note for indexing and thus for ready reference, that an article of a column's length entitled, "A Place for Research: Library of the American Antiquarian Society," appeared in the *Worcester Evening Gazette* of June 3, 1896. Though unsigned, it is known to have been written by one who has knowledge of our material as well as of our methods.

The engraved plate of Isaiah Thomas used in the second edition of his *History of Printing*, is marked "Sarah Goodrich Pinx't." It is to an error in the spelling of this name that reference is made by Mr. Hart, an authority in such matters, in the letter which follows:—

Philadelphia, *April 13, 1896.*

E. M. BARTON, ESQ.

My Dear Sir—I have your letter and the Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, which are as interesting as usual. I notice an error on p. 257 of your report, in which you only follow the errors of many others. You refer to a miniature of Isaiah Thomas by Sarah Goodrich. Her name was not Goodrich but Goodridge. How the error originated I do not know, but on A. B. Durand's plate of Gilbert Stuart, in the *National Port. Gall.* 1833, after her miniature, he gives it Goodrich, and Dunlap in his readable but unreliable *History of the Arts of Design* follows in his wake, and so has almost every one since.

Sarah Goodridge was born in Templeton, Mass., February 5, 1788. She was a daughter of Ebenezer Goodridge and Beulah Childs, his wife. She early showed a fondness for art, but had no opportunity of developing it until, at the age of 24, she went to Boston to reside with her sister, the wife of Thomas Appleton, an organ builder. She soon began to paint a little in oil and later took up miniature

painting in which she made quite a success, and was deemed very accurate in her likenesses. She died in Boston, Dec. 28, 1853. Her best known picture is her portrait of Stuart, which, as said, was engraved by Durand. Of this miniature there are at least three known, one which belonged to Stuart's family and presented by the family to Mr. George R. Honey of Newport, R. I.; another in the Metropolitan Museum, New York; and a third recently presented to the Boston Museum of the Fine Arts, together with Miss Goodridge's own portrait by herself. Which of the Stuart miniatures is the original and which replicas is now not known, but Mr. Honey claims the honor for his picture and not without great show of reason, as it belonged to the sitter's family.

Pardon this long story to correct an unimportant name, but I thought it might interest you.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. HENRY HART.

From forty-seven members, one hundred and fifty-one persons not members, and one hundred and nineteen societies and institutions, in all three hundred and seventeen sources—the largest number yet reported—we have received since my last report eight hundred and sixteen books, fifty-seven hundred and fourteen pamphlets, one bound and two hundred and twenty-five unbound volumes of newspapers, thirteen volumes of manuscripts, three oil portraits, nineteen colored drawings, twenty-six lithographs, three photographs, two medals, two maps, one stamp, twenty-one book-plates, numerous posters, and articles for the cabinet; by exchange eighty-eight books and forty-four pamphlets; and from the bindery one hundred and nineteen volumes of newspapers and eighty-three volumes of magazines; making a total of eight hundred and fifty-two books, fifty-seven hundred and fifty-eight pamphlets, one hundred and twenty bound and two hundred and twenty-five volumes of unbound newspapers, *etc.*

One of the most valuable contributions received since our last meeting, is that from our associate Samuel Jennison,

Esq., of Boston. It is the manuscript note-book kept by Thomas Lechford, Esq., Lawyer, in Boston, Massachusetts Bay, from June 27, 1638, to July 29, 1641, which was published in 1885 as Volume VII. of our *Archæologia Americana*. While considering the claims of the Bar Association of Boston, of which he has long been a member, and of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Mr. Jennison, desires quietly to place the volume in our keeping. It was received by him from his father, Mr. Samuel Jennison, who died on March 11, 1860, after forty-six years of service to this Society, as librarian 1814—1825, treasurer 1829—1860, etc. Upon the cover he had written "Presented to Sam'l Jennison by E. W. R." These are the initials of Edward W. Ridgway "the friend" mentioned in the printed preface to the note-book, who also gave Mr. Jennison a Hull letter-book. Mrs. Ridgway is said to have been a connection of the Sewalls. Mr. Jennison hopes to find memoranda with regard to these and other kindred documents which were taken from the Ridgway attic in Worcester or Boston before it was "cleared." Our Worcester directories show that Mr. Ridgway was clerk, h. 2 Park St., 1845—1847; conductor, h. 2 Park St., 1848—1849; conductor, h. 18 High St., 1850—1852; freight-agent B. & W. R. R., h. 18 High St., 1853—1854; and freight-agent B. & W. R. R., bds. Trumbull St. 1855. The Boston directories record him as depot master, h. 1045 Washington St., 1856—1857; and passenger transportation agent, h. 1045 Washington St., 1858—1861. For further light upon the subject see Rev. Dr. Hale's remarks in our Proceedings of October 21, 1885, and the librarian's report of April 25, 1886.

The gift of another associate, Mr. Wilberforce Eames, referred to in our April Proceedings, is of special value. It is a photographic reproduction of the rare tract known as "The Association, or Non-importation Agreement of 1774." It was accompanied by the following letter:—

New York, *April 27th, 1896.*

MY DEAR MR. HOAR:

Knowing your interest in everything relative to Roger Sherman, I have forwarded to you two photographic facsimiles, very slightly reduced in size, of an important state paper containing his name. This is an unique copy of the "Association" or non-importation agreement of 1774, now belonging to the New York Public Library, and bearing the autograph signatures of nearly all the delegates to the Continental Congress. One of the facsimiles is for you, and the other is intended for the Library of the American Antiquarian Society.

The following notes about its history may be of interest. The volume in which it was bound contains the printed Proceedings and Journals of the Congresses of 1774 and 1775, as preserved by one of the New Jersey delegates, Richard Smith, Esq., whose name is written in several places. Mr. Lenox bought it, I suppose, in 1857, judging by the date of a letter on the back of which he made a memorandum of the book's contents. About two years ago I removed it from the end of the volume and had it bound separately, because the two leaves with the signatures had been so badly folded that they were torn, and liable to further injury.

On the first page of the document is written the name of Richard Smith, with the date Oct. 22d, 1774, and at the end is a memorandum list, in the same hand, of the absentees on the 20th October, when the original engrossed copy was signed. This list is important for fixing the order of the different copies and official editions.

On the 30th of September, 1774, the Congress resolved, "That from and after the 10th day of September, 1775, the exportation of all Merchandise and every commodity whatsoever to Great Britain, Ireland, and the West Indies, ought to cease, unless the grievances of America are redressed before that time," and it was agreed, "That Mr. Cushing, Mr. Low, Mr. Mifflin, Mr. Lee, and Mr. Johnson, be a Committee to bring in a plan for carrying into effect the Non-Importation, Non-Consumption, and Non-Exportation resolved on." A plan was reported by the Committee on October 12th, and after sundry amendments by the Congress it was agreed to on the 18th, and ordered to be transcribed. On Thursday the 20th it

was signed by the forty-nine delegates then present.

The members absent on that occasion were Philip Livingston and John Herring of New York, John De Hart of New Jersey, Samuel Rhoads and George Ross of Pennsylvania, Cæsar Rodney of Delaware, and Robert Goldsborough of Maryland. Cæsar Rodney's name was written with the others on the 20th, by his direction, and the names of Philip Livingston, John De Hart, and George Ross were added before the adjournment of Congress on Wednesday the 26th. Three members did not sign at all, namely, John Herring, Samuel Rhoads, and Robert Goldsborough. The total number of signatures to the original of October 20th was therefore fifty-three, as may be seen in the folded facsimile opposite page 915 of Force's American Archives, fourth series, vol. 1. On the day of the signing the Congress ordered, "That this Association be committed to the press, and that one hundred and twenty copies be struck off."

The earliest issue of this edition seems to have escaped the notice of bibliographers. It is dated October 20th, and is printed on thick paper in nine pages, without a separate title, the space for the names at the end being left blank. Two copies are known to be extant. One is in the library of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, containing the signatures of forty-two delegates, and the other was Richard Smith's copy, which I have just mentioned. The latter contains forty-nine signatures, all but two of which were probably written on Friday, October 21st, because Peyton Randolph was absent on account of illness after that date. His name appears twice, first as president and then as a Virginia delegate, the latter being crossed out. Philip Livingston and John De Hart added their names on or before the 26th, for they were both present and signed the address to the King on that date. The names not in this copy, but which appear in the original, are those of George Ross, Cæsar Rodney, Patrick Henry, Jun., and Edmund Pendleton.

On the 21st it was ordered that the Address to the People of Great Britain and the Memorial to the Inhabitants of the British Colonies be immediately committed to the press, and on Saturday the 22d it was also ordered, "That the Journal of the Proceedings of the Congress as corrected,

be sent to the Press, and printed under the direction of Mr. Biddle, Mr. Dickinson and the Secretary."

The second issue of the Association was published on Monday, October 24th, and prefixed to it is a title-page that is not described in the bibliographies. The only copy I have seen is in the volume of printed Journals once owned by Richard Smith. It is as follows:—

Extracts | From the | Votes and Proceedings | of the
American Continental | Congress, | Held at Philadelphia
on the | 5th of September 1774. | Containing | an Asso-
ciation, an Address to the People | of Great-Britain, and
a Memorial | to the Inhabitants of the British | American
Colonies. | — | Published by order of the Congress. |
— | Philadelphia: | Printed by William and Thomas
Bradford, | October 24th, M,DCC,LXXIV. |

On the back of the title is the following notice: "As the Congress is not yet dissolved, and their whole Proceedings cannot be published for some time; it was thought advisable forthwith to communicate as much thereof to the Public, as concerned the Restrictions on Commerce, and the reasons for such Restrictions." Then come ten copies of the Association, one after the other, each breaking off abruptly at the eighth page, the rest having evidently been cancelled. I am inclined to believe that this is the issue of eleven pages which includes the names, and that most of the copies were used for binding with the publication of October 27th, as described below. Excepting the signatures, all three issues are identical, having been printed from the same type, without resetting. The other pieces mentioned in the title do not appear at all.

The third issue appeared on October 27th, bound up with the bill of rights, addresses, etc., and it is this edition that is usually counted as the first, being the one from which were made the numerous reprints in other parts of the country. It has the following title:—

Extracts | From the | Votes and Proceedings | Of the
American Continental | Congress, | Held at Philadelphia
on the | 5th of September 1774. | Containing | The Bill
of Rights, a List of Griev- | ances, Occasional Resolves,
the | Association, an Address to the People | of Great-
Britain, and a Memorial | to the Inhabitants of the British |
American Colonies. | — | Published by order of the

Congress. | — | Philadelphia : | Printed by William and Thomas Bradford, | October 27th, M,DCC,LXXIV. | 8vo, pp. (4), 12, 11, 36.

The Association in eleven pages forms the second part of this collection, and has the sheet marks A in four leaves and B in two. There are only fifty-one names subscribed, the missing ones being Philip Livingston and John De Hart. This would seem to show that the list was printed as early as the 24th, or several days before the adjournment of the Congress.

The next official statement also forms a part of the same publication, of which the title and first twelve pages remain unchanged, only the Association, Address, and Memorial being reprinted. In this shape the pamphlet contains pp. (4), 23, 36, and sometimes supplementary pp. 37-50. There are also several varieties or combinations of the two editions. The Association fills pp. 13-23, and the date is changed from October 20 to October 24, but the number of signatures remains the same.

Early in November, 1774, the complete "Journal of the Proceedings of the Congress" was issued from the press of the Bradfords, and on pp. 68-77 the Association is printed with the date October 24, and for the first time with all of the fifty-three names.

No other publication of the Congress is more suggestive than these first fruits of its deliberations, which foreshadowed, in the second article, the long delayed abolition of slavery: "That we will neither import, nor purchase any slave imported, after the first day of December next; after which time, we will wholly discontinue the slave-trade, and will neither be concerned in it ourselves, nor will we hire our vessels, nor sell our commodities or manufactures to those who are concerned in it."

I am, with high regards,

Yours Truly,

WILBERFORCE EAMES.

HON. GEORGE F. HOAR.

The present use of the George E. Ellis fund is governed by the following action: In Council, April 28, 1895, on motion of Mr. Hoar, "Voted that the librarian be directed on the advice of the committee on the library, to prepare

and present a list of books of the value of not exceeding \$1,000, to be purchased from time to time from the income of the George E. Ellis fund." And on October 22, 1895: on motion of Mr. Davis, "Voted that the available income of the George E. Ellis fund for the coming year be carried to the Librarian's and General fund." On the same day, on motion of Mr. J. Evarts Greene, "Voted that any available income of the George E. Ellis fund, not exceeding \$1,000, may be employed by the Council for the purchase of books." The first appropriation made under the latter vote was for twenty-one family histories, which were purchased at unusually favorable rates. This important fund has begun its mission in the two departments named and we are thereby doubly reminded of the giver.

Our Recording Secretary, Mr. Charles A. Chase, who represented the Society at the laying of the memorial stone of the John Robinson Memorial Church, at Gainsborough, England, on June 29, 1896, forwarded to the library the various accounts of the celebration. Attention is therein called to the enforced absence of Vice-President Hoar, who was to have spoken for the State of Massachusetts. The order for the "Works of John Robinson, Pastor of the Pilgrim Fathers." 3 vols. 8vo. London, 1851, placed nearly a year ago, has but recently been filled.

The following letter of gift and greeting from Rev. Hugh S. Griffiths, Pastor of Robinson Memorial Church, Gainsborough, England, to your librarian, needs no explanation:

Gainsborough, England, *Oct. 4th, 1896.*

MR. E. M. BARTON:

My Dear Sir—At the laying of the Memorial Stone of the above historic church we had the pleasure of having a representative from your Society in the person of Mr. Charles A. Chase. I was sorry that the Hon. Senator Hoar was unavoidably absent on that historic day, but he has since visited Gainsboro' and the other haunts of the pilgrims, and our pleasure has been great in meeting them.

We beg to thank the members of the Antiquarian Society

very sincerely for the honour they have done us in sending two such distinguished delegates on such an occasion. I have pleasure in sending you by this mail a full set of the bills, posters, etc., published in connection with the event. The menu card I forward separately herewith, for greater safety. I trust that they may be acceptable to your Society, and I shall be glad to forward for your acceptance a full set, including photos, etc., for the *opening* ceremony. It has occurred to me that a full account of the inception of the movement, its development and completion, might not be unacceptable to your Society. If so, I shall be glad to prepare for your acceptance such a sketch. As the pastor of the only memorial church to the Father of the Pilgrim Fathers, it will give me great pleasure to become identified with your Society in any humble way. It is my sincere hope that this church may be the means of attracting to this quaint and historic town many of our transatlantic friends, who, hitherto, have not visited us.

I find that arrangements are now being made for my visit to the States in the interests of our new church. I trust I may have the pleasure of meeting many of the honoured friends of the American Antiquarian Society. I shall be glad if you will kindly convey my greetings to your Society at your next meeting.

May the "Land of the Pilgrims' pride" never forget the cradle of the Pilgrim Fathers, is the sincere wish of

Yours, fraternally,

HUGH S. GRIFFITHS.

In accepting membership in the Society, Dr. Johann Vollgraff has sent ten of his own publications, and Hon. William T. Forbes "The Fellows of '71, Amherst College," published by his class twenty-five years after graduation. In the latter volume the repeated reference to Robert's instead of Robert College—a common error—is a reminder that Amherst's College would not be allowed by an Amherst graduatè. Hon. Thomas L. Nelson has transferred from his library to ours, the "Fur Seal Arbitration. Proceedings of the Tribunal of Arbitration at Paris, 1893," in fifteen volumes, with supplementary volume of facsimiles of documents in the Alaskan Archives. Mr. James F.

Hunnewell's gift of "Honolulu in 1817 and 1818"—transcribed and edited by him—has a special present value, as have also Rev. Edward G. Porter's tracts and circulars relating to the Armenian question in connection with the American Red Cross and its President, Clara Barton. Mr. Edward H. Thompson's valuable present of nineteen of his colored drawings of mural paintings in a Yucatan temple, which were referred to in the April Proceedings, will be found in the present list of Givers and Gifts. Mr. Henry H. Edes, editor of volume two of the "Annals of King's Chapel, Boston," placed an early copy of the work in our alcove of local history.

Following is an extract from the will of Miss Harriet E. Henshaw, of Leicester, Massachusetts, who died on March 2, 1896:—

22. I give to the American Antiquarian Society located in Worcester, Mass., the oil portrait of my grandfather, William Henshaw, the gun, or silver mounted firelock made for him, his powder horn, bullet mould, and stirrups, his military commissions of 1759 and 1775, with the chest formerly his and the principal contents of papers and account books kept by him and his father, David Henshaw.

23. I also give to the said American Antiquarian Society the manuscript military journal kept while serving in the French War of 1759 by said Col. William Henshaw, and his military journals or orderly books kept while in the service in the Revolutionary War, such of them as I now have, with any more that may be recovered and any lost pictures that can be recovered hereafter, but upon condition that said Society shall cause at least two copies of each of said books to be printed for the use and handling of persons desiring to use them for copying or reference and to prevent further loss and destruction of said books, but if said Society does not comply, then on these conditions, I give and bequeath to the Worcester Society of Antiquity on the same conditions, and if that Society does not accept them, then I give the same to the New England Historic and Genealogical Society to be by them held on the same conditions.

The official notification by Hon. Charles A. Denny, Executor, is dated April 2, 1896. On April 3, 1896, the Council, on motion of Mr. Samuel S. Green, "Voted that the President notify the executor of the will of Miss Harriet E. Henshaw, that the Society will be happy to receive the manuscripts and other articles of value formerly the property of Col. William Henshaw and which were conditionally left to the Society by her will, for examination with reference to their acceptance." On October 9, 1896, the Council accepted the legacy under the conditions of the will. The Revolutionary orderly books therein mentioned—which are numbered one to four inclusive—were for years in the custody of librarians Baldwin, Lincoln and Haven. During Dr. Haven's administration they were claimed by Miss Henshaw as borrowed property and returned to her with the understanding that the Society should possess them at a future day. Number one, which covers the period from April 20, 1775, to September 26, 1775, inclusive, was printed in the October, 1876, Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society; reprinted in 1877, and contains a memoir by Hon. Emory Washburn and notes by Mr. Charles C. Smith. It was again reprinted in 1881 from the same stereotype plates, with additions by Miss Harriet E. Henshaw. The seventy-eight pages of Miss Henshaw's reminiscences, and facsimiles of commissions and other papers, follow the orderly book, *etc.* Numbers two, three and four were in the possession of the Society April 27, 1881, when Mr. Nathaniel Paine read liberal extracts therefrom in his report prepared for the Council. While the executor rules that typewritten copies will cover the purpose of the testator, it may be well to consider the expediency of printing at least number two, when the publishing fund will allow. We do not forget that the editor of number one is a member of our Committee of Publication. An obituary notice of Miss Henshaw may be found in the *Worcester Daily Spy* of March 6, 1896.

Mrs. Penelope Lincoln Canfield's gift includes twenty-two recent publications selected with special reference to their fitness for our shelves. Mrs. Daniel Merriman has sent nearly one hundred volumes from the library of her father, the late Hon. Erastus B. Bigelow. They relate chiefly to the tariff, to inventions, and to the arts of weaving and dyeing, subjects in which Mr. Bigelow had such a deep and practical interest. Mr. George W. Cram, an authority in *Ex Libris* matters, has presented some early book-plates which our Treasurer has mounted for portfolio or binding. The rare book-plates attached to many of our books give an associated interest which it would seem wise not to lose by separation. Mr. Ellery B. Crane has placed in the alcove of Genealogy the first volume of his Crane Genealogy, and John E. Sinclair, Ph.D., Morrison's Family of Sinclair; both as thank-offerings. Mr. Fred J. Root, of New York, who presented through Rev. Dr. Hale, the reproduction of a so-called De Soto medal found near Ash-Grove, Missouri, writes to the librarian June 22, 1896: "I am very sorry that I am unable to find the letter I received from the owner, Mr. G. W. Turner, as he gave a long account of it. I hope to run across it yet, when I will send it to you."

The portraits of John Bush and his third wife, Abigail (Adams) Bush, painted by McKay in August, 1791, were acknowledged at some length in my report of last April. Since then Mrs. Maria Pratt Chaffin, sister of Mr. John Bush Pratt therein mentioned, has presented an earlier portrait of her grandfather, John Bush, with one of his first wife,¹ Charity (Platt) Bush. They were probably painted by Peacock and are especially interesting as companion pieces to McKay's costumed figures of a later period. The four portraits hang in the south-east lobby above stairs. Mrs. Chaffin writes: "This portrait of my grandfather was taken at the age of thirty-one. He died

¹ [?] Temperance.

in Worcester at the age of sixty-one and was buried on the Common. The portrait of my grandmother was taken when she was twenty-four. She was celebrated for her beauty, and died in the City of New York, aged twenty-five. Her maiden name was Temperance Platt. Plattsburg, New York, was named for her uncle, Judge Jonas Platt." Hon. Maturin L. Fisher, a former librarian of this Society, married her daughter.

The Parkman Club of Milwaukee—surely a well-chosen name—has added its first six publications to our learned society collection. Accompanying a gift of early text-books from the Providence Public Library is the following from its librarian: "I send another package of antiquated works of science for your library. I think I mentioned to you some time ago, the reason for these successive instalments. Namely the use to which they may be put at Clark University, in connection with the study of text-book literature of all periods. If they would be more useful at the university itself, than in your collection, do not hesitate to turn them over to the former."

We acknowledge to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, representative works in two important lines. I refer to Volume VIII. of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts Bay, being Appendix Volume III. The first volume of the Appendix—*i. e.*, Volume VI. of the entire work—has not yet appeared. We have been happy to supply material not elsewhere found, a privilege we hope to exercise until the great undertaking is completed. The second reference is to Volume I., A-Ber of the "Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War," for which an appropriation was made in 1891, further action having been taken in 1893 and 1894. In this case, as in that of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts Bay, it would seem wise to make haste slowly. Although this Society's contribution of fifty-eight hundred and ninety-six names to the Revolutionary Roll now for the first time to be printed, is not

mentioned in the preface to the first volume, it dates back forty-six years as shown by the following, in the handwriting of my predecessor: "Memorandum, 1840, Tuesday, May 12th. Sent by stage to the Secretary of State [Hon. John P. Bigelow] a box of manuscripts relating to the military service of the Revolution, in compliance with a vote of the Council of the American Antiquarian Society, April 1st. S. F. H." At the Council meeting referred to, Dr. John Park was in the chair, with William Lincoln, Secretary *pro tempore*. It was "voted: That the librarian be authorized to deliver to the Secretary of the Commonwealth such manuscripts relating to the War of the Revolution as are now in the possession of the Society, upon the condition that the Secretary will cause the same to be arranged in good order, bound into volumes, and safely kept while the same shall remain in his custody, and return the same whenever thereto requested, to the library, free of expense to the Society." For further light upon this important loan, see Massachusetts House Document, No. 10, January, 1841, and our Proceedings of April 27, 1881. It is probable that a careful examination of the orderly books and kindred material gathered since the deposit of 1840, would add very considerably to the present roll.

It is a hopeful sign in the library world that libraries which have been gathered by eminent specialists, are now sought for purchase in their entirety. The recent death of our associate, Dr. Ernst Curtius of Berlin, places another unbroken library of note upon the market. I second the words of *The Nation*: "The value of such a possession to some of our younger American universities is obvious, and it is to be hoped that our educational benefactors will not neglect this rare opportunity."¹

The practical interest shown by members of the Society in the purchase of the Rufus Putnam house in Rutland,

¹Since the above was written the library has been presented to Yale University by Mr. J. Montgomery Sears of the class of '77.

Mass., suggests the preservation of the following contemporary tribute communicated to the *Massachusetts Spy* on May 26, 1824:—

Died at his seat in Marietta, Ohio, on the 4th instant, the venerable and highly distinguished Gen. RUFUS PUTNAM, formerly of Rutland in this county, aged 86. This distinguished champion of the War of the Revolution, and the fast friend of WASHINGTON, gathered a small band of tried souls, and at the close of the War, in 1783, made arrangements and settled on the west bank of the Ohio in 1787, at Marietta, then a savage wilderness. He has lived to see the State of Ohio the fourth in the Union, in point of population—having fourteen Representatives in Congress, while Massachusetts, his native State, has but thirteen. Gen. RUFUS PUTNAM is acknowledged the father of the western country, and lived to the day when Ohio can number 800,000 souls. This is worthy of note. His soul was pure and unsullied, a Christian that carried the mantle of charity—liberal, generous, hospitable—with a large store of philanthropy. He died an honor to human nature.

The celebration of the centennial of the birth of Horace Mann has called special attention to the educational efforts of early times in America and thus to our collection of text-books. While our founder is known as a publisher and collector of such material, he is not so well known as a writer or compiler of school-books. A line title of one of his rarest follows: New | AMERICAN SPELLING BOOK, | The CHILD'S Easy Introduction | To | SPELLING and READING | The ENGLISH TONGUE. To which is added, | An Entire New, Plain and | Comprehensive *English* GRAMMAR. Also | The Shorter Catechism, | By the Assembly of Divines. | The whole adapted to the Capacities of YOUNG CHILDREN rendering the use of a PRIMER | *Unnecessary*. | Printed at Worcester, Massachusetts, BY ISAIAH THOMAS: | Sold at his BOOK STORE and by E. BATTELLE in BOSTON. | MDCCLXXXV. Our

copy belonged to Mr. Thomas and contains a few of his manuscript notes. For instance, he takes exception to his own title-page by placing an asterisk after "The whole adapted to the Capacities of Young Children." The footnote to which it calls attention quaintly observes, "The Catechism excepted." Again, upon the fly-leaf appears the following undated testimony: "This book was rather hastily compiled. I had designed to have written another spelling book on a new plan, and provided some materials for that purpose but had not leisure to execute the work whilst I continued in the printing business. I. Thomas. Soon after publishing this, I printed and introduced Perry's spelling book, which after it was new modeled had what booksellers call 'a very good run.'" The book described is a 12mo of 144 pages, bound in linen and backed with written label "I Thomas's Book." His preface follows:—

As many Spelling Books are now extant by different authors, an apology for this may appear necessary. So far from finding fault (according to the usual custom of each successive author or compiler) with those Gentlemen who have written upon the subject, I think each has made some valuable improvements. In this I have endeavored to collect these improvements. My principal object has been to adapt it to the capacity of young children, and facilitate their access to an easy attainment of Spelling and Reading, endeavoring equally to avoid prolixity and intricacy. The utility of a work of this kind being sufficiently obvious, will, I flatter myself, plead an apology for my attempt. The Spellings are divided agreeably to the Pronunciation and according to the method pursued by the best and most approved authors. I have likewise added a compendium introduction to English Grammar upon an entire new plan, which I hope will be found useful. The following sheets are with respect submitted to the candour of the publick, by their Most Obedient, Humble servant, The EDITOR.

Your librarian has placed with the town documents of Worcester the report of his attendance and conduct for the month ending September 28, 1842, made by Abigail Pratt,

Instructor of the Centre Infant School. It records the fact that one hundred and two infants are upon the roll and that the studies are "The New Testament, Franklin Primer, *Gallaudet's Book on the Soul*, Gallaudet's Picture and Defining Book, and North American Arithmetic." The italics are the writer's. The pupil's fourth birthday occurred only the day before the report was sent to his parents.

Respectfully submitted.

EDMUND M. BARTON,
Librarian.

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