

OBITUARIES.

ALBERT HARRISON HOYT.

Albert Harrison Hoyt died June 10, 1915. He was born in Sandwich, N. H., December 6, 1826, was graduated from Wesleyan University in 1850, was commissioner of public schools for Rockingham County, N. H., 1852-1853, was clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court of New Hampshire, 1853-1856, and was admitted to the New Hampshire bar in 1855. He practiced in Portsmouth where he was City Solicitor, 1857-1859. He served with distinction through the Civil War retiring with the brevet title of lieutenant-colonel. Since 1887 he has held an important position in the United States sub-treasury in Boston and resided in that city. On June 28, 1860, he married Sarah F. Green of Elizabeth, N. J., who died in 1893. In 1878 Dartmouth conferred upon him the honorary degree of A. M.

He was a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, and edited its Register from 1868 to 1875. He was elected to this Society in 1875 and at his death he was the fifth in seniority of membership and the oldest of our members in years. He made these contributions to the Proceedings: "Historical and Bibliographical notes on the Laws of New Hampshire" in April, 1876; and a memorial sketch of Lucius Robinson Paige, in October, 1896.

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GEORGE EMERY LITTLEFIELD.

George Emery Littlefield, a resident of Cambridge, Mass., died at Hamilton, Mass., September 4, 1915.

He was born in Boston, August 29, 1844, was graduated from Harvard with the degree of A. B. in 1866 and took a post-graduate course for two years in the Lawrence Scientific School. He then entered into a partnership which opened the book-store in which he remained until just before death. This partnership continued two years, when he took sole charge of the business, making a specialty of historical and genealogical books. He soon became an authority upon Americana and his advice was sought by private collectors and libraries throughout the country. In July 1915 he was forced by the expiration of a lease to abandon the old book-store which he had occupied for nearly half a century and he disposed of all his stock and became associated with C. E. Goodspeed & Co. His wife, whom he had married as Emily Frances Willis in 1870, died August 7, 1915.

Mr. Littlefield was elected to this Society in 1912, but had long been interested in its work and in securing additions to its collections. At the April meeting in 1914 he read a paper entitled "Notes on the Calendar and the Almanac" which was published in the Proceedings for that year. He was also a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, of the Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Western Reserve Historical Societies, of the Society of Colonial Wars of Massachusetts, of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, of the Club of Odd Volumes and of the Prince Society. He was the author of "Early Boston Booksellers" published in 1900, which has become very scarce and valuable, "Early Schools and School Books of New England" published in 1904, "Early Massachusetts Press" published in 1907, and "Descriptive Catalogue of the Massachusetts Exhibit of Colonial Books at the Jamestown Exposition."

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