

the Connecticut River," in April, 1903. He presented copies of his various historical writings to the Society, and made many gifts of scarce and early pamphlets to the Library.

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#### CHARLES CARD SMITH.

Charles Card Smith was born in Boston, March 27, 1827, and died in that city, March 20, 1918. He was educated in private and public schools at Gloucester. He was secretary of the Boston Gas Light Company from 1853 to 1889, and treasurer of the American Unitarian Association from 1862 to 1871. Most of his long life was spent in historical writing and research. He wrote many biographical and historical articles for the *North American Review*, and from 1874 to 1884 was an editorial writer for the *Boston Advertiser*, devoting himself largely to historical subjects, especially in the centennial year. From 1877 to 1907 he was treasurer of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and for eighteen years was editor of its publications. He maintained that painstaking accuracy which is in accordance with the high standard of the Society's publications. He was a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and was elected a member of this Society in 1876. At the time of his death he was second in seniority of membership. He presented the following to the Proceedings of the Society: "Mistakes in Celebrating Bi-Centennial Anniversaries owing to change from Old Style and New," in October, 1876; "Review of Peters' General History of Connecticut," in October, 1877; "Financial Embarrassments of the New England Ministers in the Last Century," October, 1890; "Obituary of Robert C. Winthrop," April, 1895; "Obituary of William C. Endicott," October, 1900. He presented to the Society many volumes and at his death bequeathed a portion of his library. The honorary degree of A.M. was con-

ferred upon him in 1877 by Harvard University. On August 22, 1853, he married Georgiana Whittemore of Gloucester, who survived him only five days. Their only child died in 1882. s. v.

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