

PROCEEDINGS

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY, OCTOBER 18, 1922,
AT THE HALL OF THE SOCIETY, WORCESTER

THE Annual Meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held pursuant to notice in the hall of the Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, October 18, 1922. The meeting was called to order at 10.45 a. m. by President Lincoln.

The following members were present at the meeting:

Reuben Colton, Augustus George Bullock, Francis Henshaw Dewey, William Trowbridge Forbes, George Henry Haynes, Charles Lemuel Nichols, Waldo Lincoln, George Parker Winship, Samuel Utley, Clarence Winthrop Bowen, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Worthington Chauncey Ford, Edward Luther Stevenson, Julius Herbert Tuttle, Charles Grenfill Washburn, Samuel Bayard Woodward, Wilfred Harold Munro, Henry Winchester Cunningham, Rev. Shepherd Knapp, Homer Gage, William Milligan Sloane, John Spencer Bassett, Rev. Herbert Edwin Lombard, Bernard Christian Steiner, Howard Millar Chapin, Grenville Howland Norcross, Thomas Hovey Gage, Otis Grant Hammond, John Whittemore Farwell, Leonard Wheeler, Alexander George McAdie, Nathaniel Thayer Kidder, Lawrence Park, George Anthony Gaskill, John Woodbury, Charles Knowles Bolton, John Henry Edmonds, Samuel Lyman Munson, Robert Kendall Shaw, Merrick Lincoln, James Benjamin Wilbur, Charles Eliot Goodspeed.

The call for the meeting was read by the Secretary. It was voted to dispense with the records of the April meeting.

The report of the Council to the Society was read by Dr. Charles L. Nichols; the report of the Treasurer was presented by Dr. Samuel B. Woodward; and the report of the Librarian was presented by Clarence S. Brigham.

As a part of the report of the Council Mr. Cunningham presented the following minute upon the death of Mr. Edes, which the Council had unanimously adopted:

The members of the Council learn with sorrow of the death of their associate Henry Herbert Edes at his home in Cambridge on the thirteenth instant. Having been made a member of the Society in 1885 at the early age of thirty-six, only three men have been longer upon its rolls of membership, and through all these years he was constant and devoted in his attendance at its meetings, and served upon many of its committees. In 1919 he was chosen a member of the Council, and wrote its Report for the meeting of April 13, 1921.

Since his youth he had been a student of New England history and had written many papers and articles chiefly upon his native city of Charlestown and its families, and upon Harvard College. His work was recognized by membership in many learned societies and by the honorary degree of A. M. from Harvard. Through his early love of the ancient times he had surrounded himself in his home with a wonderful collection of ancestral silver and portraits and a comprehensive library on New England. A courteous gentleman, and helpful associate, an inspiring leader in our field of work, we shall miss his presence at our meetings.

We wish to spread this tribute to his memory upon our records, and send to Mrs. Edes our deepest sympathy in her bereavement and our grief at losing his fellowship.

It was voted that these reports be accepted and referred to the Committee of Publication.

The President appointed Messrs. Cunningham, Chapin and Park a committee to receive and count the ballots for President, and they reported that Waldo Lincoln had received all the votes cast and he was declared elected.

The President appointed Messrs. Wilbur, McAdie and Hammond to nominate other officers of the Society, who reported as follows:

Vice-Presidents

Arthur Prentice Rugg, LL.D., of Worcester, Mass.
Clarence Winthrop Bowen, LL.D., of New York,
N. Y.

Councillors

Samuel Utley, LL.B., of Worcester, Mass.
Charles Grenfill Washburn, A.B., of Worcester,
Mass.
Francis Henshaw Dewey, A.M., of Worcester,
Mass.
Henry Winchester Cunningham, A.B., of Milton,
Mass.
George Parker Winship, Litt.D., of Dover, Mass.
William Howard Taft, LL.D., of New Haven, Conn.
George Hubbard Blakeslee, Ph.D., of Worcester,
Mass.
Clarence Saunders Brigham, A.M., of Worcester,
Mass.
James Benjamin Wilbur, of Manchester, Vt.
Samuel Lyman Munson, of Albany, N. Y.

Secretary for Foreign Correspondence

Charles Lemuel Nichols, M.D., Litt.D., of Worcester
Mass.

Secretary for Domestic Correspondence

Worthington Chauncey Ford, LL.D., of Cam-
bridge, Mass.

Recording Secretary

Thomas Hovey Gage, A.M., of Worcester, Mass.

Treasurer

Samuel Bayard Woodward, M.D., of Worcester,
Mass.

It was voted that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot, which being done those persons nominated were declared elected.

The Recording Secretary was duly sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties by Samuel Utley, Justice of the Peace.

The Secretary reported for the Council the following nominations for membership:

Resident Members

Henry Wyckoff Belknap, of Salem, Mass.
Alfred Johnson, of Brookline, Mass.
William Smith Mason, of Evansville, Ill.
Calude Halstead Van Tyne, of Ann Arbor, Mich.

Foreign Members

Luis Gonzalez Obregon, of Mexico City
Carlos de la Torre, of Havana, Cuba

The President appointed Messrs. Norcross, Goodspeed and Knapp a committee to receive and count ballots for new members, who reported that the persons nominated by the Council were elected.

The President reported that over \$40,000 had been subscribed to the building fund and that the Council had voted to proceed with the erection of an addition to the present stack.

It was voted that the Building Committee appointed by the Council be and is hereby authorized to borrow money on the credit of the Society therefor and in behalf of the Society to enter into contracts for the construction and equipment of an addition to the present stack to cost not more than \$75,000.

There being no further business, the following papers were presented:

"Eighteenth Century American Magazines," by William Beer, of New Orleans, La., read by title.

"Some Facts regarding Joseph Blackburn, Portrait Painter," by Lawrence Park, of Groton, Mass.

"Franklin, the Sage of the Eighteenth Century," by William M. Sloane, of New York, N. Y.

In addition to these papers Mr. Winship presented a paper upon the early French newspapers of Boston, which he said would be printed in the Papers of the Bibliographical Society.

It was voted to refer the foregoing papers to the Committee of Publication. Professor Sloane's paper was read for the entertainment of the members, without the intention of its being printed in the Proceedings.

Mr. Bolton called the attention of the Society to the importance of listing the owners of colonial books, which Dr. Nichols, for the Society, stated was already under consideration.

The President invited the members of the Society to luncheon at his house at 49 Elm Street, at the close of the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was dissolved.

THOMAS HOVEY GAGE,
Recording Secretary.

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