

Judge Forbes held many positions of trust in Worcester, in banks, business corporations, charitable institutions and social organizations. He was elected to the American Antiquarian Society in 1896 and always showed an especial interest in its activities. In 1901 he read a paper on "Manteo and Jack Straw," which was published in the Proceedings. He made gifts both to the Building Fund in 1923 and to the General Fund in 1927. His ability in the solving of intricate legal problems made the officers of the Society frequently turn to him for technical advice. He was almost always present at the meetings for a period of thirty-six years. Judge Forbes was a man of varied interests. He had a wide knowledge of law, history, politics, education, economics, literature, art, horticulture and many other subjects, brought about both by study and by practical experience. He had much charm of manner and possessed a great fund of reminiscence. His familiar figure will be missed at our meetings.

C. S. B.

JOHN HOLLADAY LATANÉ

John Holladay Latané of Baltimore, died January 1, 1932 of a sudden heart attack when visiting in New Orleans. He was born April 1, 1869, in a house across the street from Woodrow Wilson's birthplace, and was the son of Bishop James Allen and Mary Minor (Holladay) Latané. He was graduated from Baltimore City College in 1889, obtaining later the degree of A.B. from Johns Hopkins University in 1892, and of Ph.D. in 1895. He married, October 17, 1905, Mrs. Elinor J. J. Cox of Lexington, Va.

Almost immediately upon leaving college, he began his career in the teaching of history. He was acting professor of history and economics at Baltimore City

College in 1895-1896; master of history at the military academy at San Rafael, Calif., 1896-1897; lecturer in American diplomatic history at Johns Hopkins in 1898; professor of history and economics at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, 1898-1902; and professor of history at Washington and Lee University, 1902-1913. In the latter year he was called to Johns Hopkins University, where he henceforth remained, serving as professor of American history, head of the history department, dean of the faculty and on the research staff of the Walter Hines Page School of International Relations.

Dr. Latané's printed works chiefly concerned America's international relations, and among his books were "America as a World Power," 1907; "From Isolation to Leadership," 1918; "The United States and Latin America," 1920; and "History of American Foreign Policy," 1927. He was also editor of the *American Political Science Review* from 1906 to 1912. He was an ardent champion of the League of Nations, for which France made him chevalier of the Legion of Honor. He received the honorary degrees of LL.D. from the University of Alabama in 1913, and also from Washington and Lee University in 1928. He was elected to the American Antiquarian Society in 1911.

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EDWARD PERCIVAL MERRITT

Edward Percival Merritt of Boston died, after two years of failing health, at Monte Carlo, April 16, 1932. He was born at Boston, the son of George Washington and Almira (Curtis) Merritt on March 28, 1860. After preparation for college at the Noble School, he went to Harvard, where he was graduated with the degree of A.B. in 1882. He then went into the banking business, being connected with Blake Bros. from 1882

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