## **PROCEEDINGS**

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY, APRIL 19, 1939, AT THE CLUB OF ODD VOLUMES, BOSTON

THE semi-annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Club of Odd Volumes, 77 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, April 19, 1939, at 10.45 o'clock.

The President of the Society, Samuel Eliot Morison, presided. The following members of the Society were present:

John McKinstry Merriam, George Parker Winship, Daniel Berkeley Updike, Clarence Saunders Brigham, George Hubbard Blakeslee, William Vail Kellen, Shepherd Knapp, Albert Carlos Bates, Charles Henry Taylor, Samuel Eliot Morison, Lawrence Waters Jenkins, Henry Bradford Washburn, John Woodbury, Robert Kendall Shaw, Charles Eliot Goodspeed, Matt Bushnell Jones, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, George Sumner Barton, Paul Beagary Morgan, Russell Sturgis Paine, Thomas James Holmes, James Melville Hunnewell. Abraham S. Wolf Rosenbach, Lemuel Aiken Welles, William Davis Miller, Stephen Willard Phillips, Edward Tuckerman Esty, Stewart Mitchell, Robert William Glenroie Vail, Glenn Tilley Morse, Charles Taylor Tatman, Samuel Flagg Bemis, Claude Moore Fuess, George Gregerson Wolkins, Allyn Bailey Forbes, Hermann Frederick Clarke, Lathrop Colgate Harper, Augustus Peabody Loring, Jr., James Duncan Phillips, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Alexander Hamilton Bullock, Theron Johnson Damon, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, Albert White Rice, Fred Tarbell Field. Frederick Lewis Weis.

The President called the meeting to order and the Secretary read the call for the meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded it was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last meeting.

The Director then presented the report of the Council to the Society and it was voted to accept the same and refer it to the Committee on Publications.

The election of new members being in order, the Director announced the following recommendations for membership in the Society to fill vacancies:

Hamilton Vaughan Bail, North Hartland, Vt. Donald McKay Frost, Boston, Mass. Arthur Meier Schlesinger, Cambridge, Mass. Harry Andrew Wright, Springfield, Mass.

The President appointed Messrs. Miller, Fuess, and Shipton a committee to distribute and collect ballots. The committee reported that there were thirty-eight ballots cast, all for the nominees, and they were declared elected.

Papers were then presented by Samuel Flagg Bemis of New Haven, Conn., on "Early Diplomatic Missions from Buenos Aires to the United States, 1811–1825," and by Glenn Tilley Morse, of Newburyport, Mass., on "The Ark and the Dove." A paper on "A Century and a Half of Journalism in Hayti" was submitted by title. It was voted to refer the papers to the Committee on Publications.

At the close of the papers Mr. Brigham called attention to the gift to the Society, by Mr. Charles Henry Taylor, of the rare Fleetwood engraving of the Great Storm in Providence in 1815.

The Society was then invited to luncheon by Mr. James M. Hunnewell at the Club of Odd Volumes.

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