

HENRY HORNBLOWER

Henry Hornblower was a son of Edward Thomas and Martha Boyd (Whiting) Hornblower of Lawrence, where he was born on June 8, 1863. He graduated from the Cotting High School of Arlington in 1878, and in the following year entered his father's financial business, the house of Hornblower and Page. In 1888 Henry Hornblower and John W. Weeks formed a partnership which in time became a financial power in this part of the country. Mr. Hornblower was a member of the governing committee of the Boston Stock Exchange and its president in 1911-1912. Among the corporations of which he was a director were the First National Corporation, the First National Bank of Boston, the Hoosac Mills, the New England Power Association, the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, and the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank. He remained active in some of these after his retirement from the firm of Hornblower and Weeks in 1936.

On May 12, 1886, Mr. Hornblower married Hattie Frances Wood of Arlington, where they lived for thirty-six years. In 1922 they moved to 89 Mt. Vernon Street, Boston. Mr. Hornblower was a member of the Algonquin, Exchange, Union, and Boston City Clubs, of the Boston Art Club, and of the Brookline Country Club. Amateur athletics attracted him and led him to serve as treasurer of the New England Olympic Club in 1912. Unostentatiously he supported good causes such as the North American Civic League for Immigrants, of which he was a trustee.

Although Mr. Hornblower was not elected into the membership of this Society until 1938, he found time to show interest in its activities, most obviously by the pleasant luncheon with which he entertained us after the meeting of April, 1940. He died of a heart attack at Pinehurst on April 11, 1941, and was buried from the Old South Church in Copley Square. He left three children, Mrs. Chester N.

Greenough of Belmont, Mrs. Alfred R. Meyer of Greenwich, Connecticut, and Mr. Ralph Hornblower of Boston.

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CHARLES ALPHEUS PLACE

Charles Alpheus Place, authority on American church architecture and forms of worship, died at Sterling, Massachusetts, November 17, 1940. He was born in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, April 7, 1866, the son of Alpheus Lyman and Amy Greene Place. After attending the schools in his native town, he served for a short while as station agent of East Greenwich, and then planned to enter Brown University. But ill health forced him to give up his college work, and he entered the employ of the American Electrical Works of Providence, where he remained for six years. In 1896 he decided to enter the ministry, became a student at the Harvard Divinity School and was ordained at Chelsea in 1897. Then followed pastorates with the First Unitarian Society at Chelsea, 1897-1898, the First Unitarian Society at Gardner, 1899-1902, the First Parish at Waltham, 1902-1910, the First Congregational Society at Sterling, 1910-1916, and finally the First Church of Christ at Lancaster, 1917-1928. In 1928 he retired from the ministry to devote the remainder of his life to the study of the architecture, forms of worship and music of American churches.

He was married at Providence to Martha Snow Kendall, daughter of Oliver Kendall, on September 17, 1895. She died September 3, 1936. On July 27, 1937 he married at Sterling, Massachusetts, Miss Florence Stratton, by whom he was survived.

Mr. Place's researches in church history brought him a high degree of prestige and caused him to be considered one

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