

Proceedings of the Annual Meeting

OCTOBER 17, 1945

AT THE LIBRARY OF THE SOCIETY, WORCESTER

THE one hundred and thirty-third annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Library of the Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, October 17, 1945, at 10.45 a.m. The meeting was called to order by President Samuel Eliot Morison.

The following members of the Society were present: John McKinstry Merriam, George Henry Haynes, George Parker Winship, Victor Hugo Paltsits, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Samuel Eliot Morison, Robert Kendall Shaw, Chandler Bullock, Charles Eliot Goodspeed, George Ichabod Rockwood, Lawrence Counselman Wroth, Wallace Walter Atwood, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, George Sumner Barton, George Francis Booth, Aldus Chapin Higgins, Paul Beagary Morgan, Russell Sturgis Paine, James Melville Hunnewell, Harry Galpin Stoddard, George Crompton, Maxwell Savage, Stephen Willard Phillips, Charles Taylor Tatman, Thomas Winthrop Streeter, William Irving Clark, John Woodman Higgins, Henry Wilder Foote, Allyn Bailey Forbes, Lathrop Colgate Harper, Augustus Peabody Loring, Jr., James Duncan Phillips, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Alexander Hamilton Bullock, Theron Johnson Damon, Albert White Rice, James Blaine Hedges, Frederick Lewis Weis, Hamilton Vaughan Bail, Wat Tyler Cluverius, William Greene Roelker, Henry Rouse Viets, Thomas Franklin Currier, Allen French, Frederick Haven Pratt, Samuel Foster Da-

mon, William Alexander Jackson, Bradley Baldwin Gilman, and Richard Allen Heald.

Mr. Lincoln was appointed Secretary pro tem in the absence of Mr. Blakeslee and read the call for the meeting. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last meeting.

The report of the Council of the Society was presented by Mr. Brigham, the Treasurer's report by Mr. Bullock, and the Librarian's report by Mr. Shipton. It was voted to accept these reports and refer them to the Committee on Publications.

The election of officers being in order, the President appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Allyn B. Forbes, Jackson, and Heald to nominate officers for the coming year, and to distribute, collect, and count the ballots. Mr. Forbes announced that all of the ballots cast were in favor of the list of officers suggested by his committee, as follows:

For President

Samuel Eliot Morison, of Boston, Mass.

For Vice-presidents

Paul Beagary Morgan, of Worcester, Mass.

George Sumner Barton, of Worcester, Mass.

For Councillors

George Parker Winship, of Charles River, Mass.

Aldus Chapin Higgins, of Worcester, Mass.

James Melville Hunnewell, of Boston, Mass.

Daniel Waldo Lincoln, of Worcester, Mass.

Russell Sturgis Paine, of Worcester, Mass.

Albert White Rice, of Worcester, Mass.

Donald McKay Frost, of Dover, Mass.

Augustus Peabody Loring, Jr., of Boston, Mass.

Thomas Winthrop Streeter, of Morristown, N. J.
Stephen Willard Phillips, of Salem, Mass.

For Secretary for Foreign and Domestic Correspondence

Clarence Saunders Brigham, of Worcester, Mass.

For Recording Secretary

George Hubbard Blakeslee, of Worcester, Mass.

For Treasurer

Chandler Bullock, of Worcester, Mass.

For Committee on Publications

Clarence Saunders Brigham, of Worcester, Mass.

Robert Kendall Shaw, of Worcester, Mass.

Clifford Kenyon Shipton, of Shirley, Mass.

For Auditors

Daniel Waldo Lincoln, of Worcester, Mass.

Reginald Washburn, of Worcester, Mass.

The President, in behalf of the Council, proposed for membership in the Society:

Carl Bridenbaugh, Williamsburg, Va.

Ernest Caulfield, Hartford, Conn.

Bernard A. De Voto, Cambridge, Mass.

Luther H. Evans, Washington, D. C.

James W. Foster, Baltimore, Md.

Dudley W. Knox, Washington, D. C.

Sydney P. Noe, New York, N. Y.

William Sawitzky, Stamford, Conn.

George R. Stobbs, Worcester, Mass.

President Morison appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Shipton, Bail, and Gilman to distribute, collect, and count ballots. Mr. Shipton reported that the necessary

number of votes had been cast for the persons nominated and they were declared elected.

A paper was read by Samuel Foster Damon on "Varnum's Ministerial Oppression—a Revolutionary Drama." President Morison spoke informally on the events of the war in the Pacific during the last year. Mr. Brigham spoke briefly on the size and scope of the Library and announced that a tour of the Library would be made, with the members divided into two groups, to be led by Mr. Shipton and himself. In the upper gallery was shown a special exhibit of American printing in color. Upon the return of the members to the hall, the President announced that the members would be entertained at luncheon by Mr. Aldus C. Higgins, 1 John Wing Road.

The meeting then adjourned.

DANIEL W. LINCOLN,
Secretary pro tem.

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