

## *Proceedings of the Semi-annual Meeting*

APRIL 20, 1949

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 20, 1949, at 10.45 o'clock. The President of the Society, Samuel Eliot Morison, presided at the meeting. The following members were present:

John McKinstry Merriam, George Parker Winship, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Samuel Eliot Morison, Lawrence Waters Jenkins, Robert Kendall Shaw, Charles Eliot Goodspeed, Lawrence Counselman Wroth, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, Russell Sturgis Paine, James Melville Hunnewell, Stephen Willard Phillips, Stewart Mitchell, George Gregeron Wolkins, Howard Corning, Augustus Peabody Loring, Jr., Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Theron Johnson Damon, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, James Blaine Hedges, Frederick Lewis Weis, Hamilton Vaughan Bail, Clarence Henry Haring, Chauncey Cushing Nash, William Greene Roelker, Walter Muir Whitehill, Samuel Foster Damon, William Alexander Jackson, Roger Wolcott, Bradley Baldwin Gilman, Richard Allen Heald, Ernest Caulfield, George Russell Stobbs, Arthur Adams, Richard LeBaron Bowen, George Laban Harding, and Bertram Kimball Little.

The Secretary read the call for the meeting, and it was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the Annual Meeting of October, 1948.

The Director read the report of the Council. It was voted to accept the report and refer it to the Committee on Publications.

The election of new members being in order, the President announced the following recommendations by the Council for membership in the Society:

Philip Howard Cook, Worcester, Mass.

Edmund Sears Morgan, Providence, R. I.

President Morison appointed Messrs. Mitchell, T. J. Damon, and Bail a committee of three to distribute and collect ballots. The committee reported that a majority of the ballots cast were in favor of the nominees and they were declared elected.

Papers were read by James B. Hedges, of Providence, Rhode Island, on "The Spermaceti Trust, 1761-1775," and by Lawrence C. Wroth, of Providence, on "John Frampton, Elizabethan Merchant and Man of Letters." Mr. Wroth's paper will be printed in a future number of the Proceedings, and Mr. Hedge's paper, elsewhere.

Papers on "Additions to Hutchinson's History of Massachusetts Bay," edited by Catherine Barton Mayo, "John Hepburn's 'The American Defence of the Christian Golden Rule,'" by Henry J. Cadbury, and "New Light on 'Publick Occurrences,' America's First Newspaper," by Victor H. Paltsits, were read by title.

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

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*Recording Secretary*

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