

him in Worcester. In carrying the completed manuscript of his second volume from the Library to his hotel, in some way the volume became lost or was stolen, and although he advertised for it for several days, the lost manuscript was never found and he had to write the entire volume over again from the beginning. He once remarked that he was so downcast by this loss that he almost resolved not to finish his series. After the completion of his third volume, he mostly relied upon correspondence for answers to his queries, especially since the newspapers of the first half of the nineteenth century became more available in local libraries. In October 1910 he joined with Dr. J. Franklin Jameson and the late Edward Channing in delivering before the Society a symposium on "The Present State of Historical Writing in America." Although he did not come to a subsequent meeting, even in his later years he maintained a friendly interest in the Society and was ready to favor it in any way in his power.

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FREDERIC WINTHROP

Frederic Winthrop died at his home in Boston, May 6, 1932. He was born in New York on November 15, 1868, the son of Robert and Kate Wilson (Taylor) Winthrop. He was a direct descendant of Governor John Winthrop and owned the original miniature portrait of Governor Winthrop which belonged to Wait Still Winthrop in 1691. He attended the private school of Duane L. Everson in New York City and then entered Harvard where he was graduated in 1891 with the degree of A.B. Although christened Frederic Bayard Winthrop, after leaving college he omitted for convenience his middle name. He entered the banking firm of Robert Winthrop & Company in 1894 with whom he remained until 1900, in which year he

removed to Massachusetts, where he owned a country estate at Hamilton and also a town residence in Boston. For ten years after graduating from college, he was much occupied in travel, visiting Europe, the Orient, Canada and the Pacific Coast. On January 20, 1903 he married Dorothy Amory, the daughter of Charles W. and Elizabeth (Gardner) Amory, who died July 23, 1907; and secondly, on July 12, 1911, Sarah Thayer, daughter of Nathaniel Thayer.

Mr. Winthrop was much interested in historical research and highly valued his membership in historical organizations. He was a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society and on its Council at the time of his death; and also a member of the several historical societies in Boston. To this Society he was elected in 1924 and was a frequent attendant at its meetings. In 1930 he gave the luncheon for the members of the Society at his home in Boston. In addition to his wife and five children, he was survived by two brothers, Grenville L. Winthrop of New York City and Beekman Winthrop of Westbury, N. Y.

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