## PROCEEDINGS.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL 10, 1912, IN ELLIS HALL AT THE MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUILDING, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

The meeting was called to order at 10.30 A. M. by the President, Mr. Waldo Lincoln.

The following members were present:

Nathaniel Paine, Charles C. Smith, Edmund M. Barton, Franklin B. Dexter, Samuel S. Green, Andrew McF. Davis, Frederic W. Putnam, Henry H. Edes, A. George Bullock, William E. Foster, Charles P. Bowditch. Charles P. Greenough, Francis H. Dewey, William T. Forbes, George H. Haynes, Arthur Lord, Charles L. Nichols, Waldo Lincoln, Edward S. Morse, George P. Winship, Austin S. Garver, Samuel Utley, James W. Brooks, Henry F. Jenks, George L. Kittredge, Albert Matthews, William MacDonald, Clarence S. Brigham. Lincoln N. Kinnicutt, Franklin P. Rice, Worthington C. Ford, Henry E. Woods, Julius H. Tuttle, Charles G. Washburn, William C. Farabee, William V. Kellen. Wilfred H. Munro, Justin H. Smith, Hiram Bingham, Henry W. Cunningham, Roland B. Dixon, Frank F. Dresser, Barrett Wendell, George Francis Dow, Henry A. Parker, John S. Bassett.

After the Secretary had read the call for the meeting, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting, which had been distributed to the members in print.

The report of the Council was read by Mr. George Parker Winship, and was referred to the committee of publication.

The Secretary stated that the Council proposed for election to the Society the names of the following gentlemen:—

## Resident members:

Clarence Walworth Alvord, Urbana, Ill. Livingston Davis, Boston, Mass. Archer Butler Hulbert, Marietta, Ohio. George Emery Littlefield, Boston, Mass. Charles Henry Taylor, Jr., Boston, Mass.

Foreign member:

Frank Cundall, Kingston, Jamaica.

A ballot having been taken, they were declared elected.

The President announced that there were two vacancies in the Council, and it was moved that a committee be appointed by the President to fill the vacancies. The committee appointed, Messrs. A. McF. Davis, Greenough and Brooks, recommended that Mr. Francis H. Dewey of Worcester and Mr. Henry W. Cunningham of Boston be elected members of the Council, and a ballot having been cast, they were duly elected.

The President spoke briefly of the achievement of the discovery of the South Pole by Roald Amundsen, a member of the Society, referred to the progress of the Centennial Fund, and outlined the arrangements for the approaching Centennial Meeting. He remarked that there would be an important omission from the program of the day on account of the death of Abbott Lawrence Rotch, who had intended to prepare a paper upon "Early Ballooning in America."

Papers were then read by Dr. Charles L. Nichols of Worcester upon "Massachusetts Almanacs," and by Hiram Bingham of Yale University upon "Vitcos, the Last Inca Capital." By vote of the Society, the papers were referred to the committee of publication.

## GEORGE PARKER WINSHIP,

Secretary.

After the meeting, the members of the Society were entertained at luncheon at the Algonquin Club by the members residing in Boston and vicinity.

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