Proceedings of the Annual Meeting

OCTOBER 21, 1959
AT THE LIBRARY OF THE SOCIETY, WORCESTER

The one hundred and forty-seventh annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Library of the Society in Worcester, Massachusetts, on October 21, 1959, at ten fifty-five o'clock. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Brigham. The call for the meeting was read by Mr. Lincoln. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. The following members were present: John Adams, Thomas Randolph Adams, Clifton Waller Barrett, George Sumner Barton, Jacob Blanck, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Augustus George Bullock, Chandler Bullock, Lyman Henry Butterfield, Ernest Caulfield, Edward Harold Cole, Samuel Foster Damon, Theron Johnson Damon, Fred Harold Daniels, Bradley Baldwin Gilman, Richard Gimbel, George Talbot Goodspeed, Richard Mott Gummere, Sinclair Hamilton, Thompson Ritner Harlow, William Henry Harrison, Richard Allen Heald, Milton Prince Higgins, Penrose Robinson Hoopes, William Alexander Jackson, Alden Porter Johnson, Edward Chase Kirkland, Bernhard Knollenberg, Waldo Gifford Leland, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, George Leslie McKay, Robert Earle Moody, Ray Nash, Edward Alexander Parsons, Hermann Porter Riccius, Albert White Rice, Carleton Rubira Richmond, Stephen Thomas Riley, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Rollo Gabriel Silver, Rae MacCollum Spencer, Frank Oakman Spinney, Lewis Morgrage

The Report of the Council of the Society was presented by Mr. Brigham, the Report of the Treasurer by Mr. Bullock, and the Report of the Librarian 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, Mr. Riccius reported for the committee consisting of Messrs. Riccius, T. J. Damon, and Spencer, appointed by the Council in April, 1959, the following nominations:

**President**
Carleton Rubira Richmond, of Milton, Mass.

**Vice-presidents**
George Sumner Barton, of Boylston, Mass.
Clifton Waller Barrett, of New York, N. Y.

**Councillors**
Thomas Winthrop Streeter, of Morristown, N. J.
Walter Muir Whitehill, of Boston, Mass.
Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, of Cambridge, Mass.
Fred Harold Daniels, of Worcester, Mass.
Secretary for Foreign Correspondence

Secretary for Domestic Correspondence
Clifford Kenyon Shipton, of Shirley Center, Mass.

Recording Secretary

Treasurer

Committee on Publications
Clifford Kenyon Shipton, of Shirley Center, Mass.
Rae MacCollum Spencer, of Worcester, Mass.

Auditors

It was unanimously voted that the Secretary be requested to cast a ballot for the nominees, which being done and no other ballot being offered, the foregoing nominees were declared elected.

Mr. Brigham, in behalf of the Council, proposed for membership in the Society:

Irving Lowens, of Hyattsville, Maryland.

The President appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Jackson, Swan, and Walsh to distribute, collect, and count the ballots. Mr. Jackson reported that fifty-two votes had been cast for the person nominated and he was declared elected.

Papers were read by Richard Gimbel on “The Resurgence of Thomas Paine,” and by Waldo Gifford Leland on “Personal Recollections of John Franklin Jameson.”
At the request of Mr. Brigham, the incoming President, Mr. Richmond, assumed the chair and announced that the members of the Society were invited to luncheon at the residence of the late Aldus C. Higgins on John Wing Road by Mrs. Aldus C. Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. Milton P. Higgins.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Daniel W. Lincoln,
Recording Secretary