

The first in April, 1918, was entitled, "Friendship as a Factor in the Settlement of Massachusetts." The second, delivered in April of 1929, was an illustrated lecture on "The Development of the Clipper Ship."

Dr. Park was born in Mahabaleshwar, India, on March 14, 1873, the son of Charles W. and Anna (Ballentine) Park. He received his baccalaureate degree from Yale in 1896 and attended the University of Chicago Divinity School. Honorary degrees were conferred upon him by Meadville Theological School in 1916, and by Harvard University in 1932. He was the distinguished pastor of the Unitarian Church in Hingham, Massachusetts, 1900-1906, and of the First Church in Boston, 1906-1946, from which he retired as Minister *Emeritus*. Park was long active in The Colonial Society of Massachusetts and The Massachusetts Historical Society. His books were on Christianity, although historical articles of his authorship appeared from time to time in various journals.

In 1903, he married Mary Eliot Turner, who did not survive him. She bore him three children, Marion (Mrs. Elliott P. Cogswell), Richard and Edwards Park.

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### RALPH LESLIE RUSK

A leading historian of American literature, Professor Rusk was elected to the Society in October, 1930. At the time he was engaged in preparing for publication *The Letters of Ralph Waldo Emerson*. Five years earlier he had published his *Literature of the Middle Western Frontier*, which was a significant contribution to our literary history. His *Life of Emerson*, published in 1949, was a medalist in the 1950 National Book Award.

Ralph Leslie Rusk was born at Rantoul, Illinois, July 11, 1888, the son of William Humphrey and Anna (Renner)

Rusk. He received his academic degrees at the University of Illinois, 1909, and Columbia University, 1912 and 1925. His teaching career began in 1912 at the University of the Philippines and in 1915 he removed to the University of Indiana, where he remained ten years, before going to Columbia University. He retired in 1954.

His associations with this Society were, although not frequent, cordial, and his correspondence with Mr. Brigham shows lively interest in it.

Dr. Rusk died June 30, 1962, in New York City. On December 25, 1915, he married Clara E. Gibbs, who survives him, as does their daughter Margaret Ann (Mrs. Walter T. White).

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### HENRY BRADFORD WASHBURN

Dean Washburn of the Episcopal Theological Seminary in Cambridge was born in Worcester on December 2, 1869, a son of Charles Francis and Mary Elizabeth (Whiston) Washburn. From the Worcester High School he went to Harvard College, where he was graduated in 1891. With several of his classmates he entered the Episcopal Theological Seminary, where he received his B.D. in 1894. The next two years he spent in Europe studying church history at Berlin and Oxford, and greatly enjoying the tennis, the walking trips, and the climbing of minor mountains which were to be his chief recreation through his long life.

In 1896 Washburn returned to America and became assistant minister at St. John's Church in Providence, whence he was called two years later to become rector of St. Mark's in Worcester. Because of his study in Europe, he was in 1901 asked to give a course in church history at the Episcopal Theological Seminary, and when the professorship became vacant in 1908, he accepted it, and moved to Cambridge. His predecessor, a famous scholar, had taught ecclesiastical

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