

Seniority and Longevity among Members of the American Antiquarian Society

We failed to include in the recently published *Members and Officers of the American Antiquarian Society, 1812-1987* (Worcester, 1987), compiled by Bradford F. Dunbar, lists of two categories of membership that may be of interest to the members, or at least to older members. Parenthetically, it has been said that election to AAS assures one a long life.

In the *List of Officers and Members of the American Antiquarian Society, 1812-1947* (Worcester, 1947), compiled by Frederick L. Weis, we enumerated both the senior members of the Society as well as other members who had served AAS for fifty or more years. To remedy these lacunae in the 1987 edition, Mr. Dunbar has prepared the following for the elucidation of the curious.

SENIOR MEMBERS

<i>Elected</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Died</i>	<i>Years as a member</i>
1812	Isaiah Thomas	1831	19 years
1812	Harrison Gray Otis	1848	36 years
1812	Elisha Hammond	1851	39 years
1812	Josiah Quincy	1864	52 years
1812	Levi Lincoln, Jr.	1868	56 years
1813	James Hugh McCulloh	1869?	56? years
1813	Frederick William Paine	1869	56 years
1815	Samuel Finley Breese Morse	1872	57 years
1820	Andrew Bigelow	1877	57 years
1838	George Bancroft	1891	53 years
1838	Robert Charles Winthrop	1894	56 years

1846	John McCaul	1897	51 years
1847	Edward Everett Hale	1909	62 years
1860	Nathaniel Paine	1917	57 years
1865	Samuel Abbott Green	1918	53 years
1879	Franklin Bowditch Dexter	1920	41 years
1881	Henry Cabot Lodge	1924	43 years
1884	John Bach McMaster	1932	48 years
1884	William Harden	1936	52 years
1885	Reuben Colton	1936	51 years
1888	John McKinstry Merriam	1959	71 years
1905	Clarence Saunders Brigham	1963	58 years
1914	Samuel Eliot Morison	1976	62 years
1930	John Howland Gibbs Pell	1987	57 years
1939	Hamilton Vaughn Bail	—	

MEMBERS WHO SERVED FOR FIFTY OR MORE YEARS,
NOT LISTED ABOVE

1813	John Green	1865	52 years
1813	William Jenks	1866	53 years
1813	Benjamin Silliman	1864	51 years
1813	Lewis Strong	1863	50 years
1813	Abraham Rand Thompson	1866	53 years
1814	William Allen	1868	54 years
1814	William Baylis	1865	51 years
1815	Wilkins Updike	1867	52 years
1815	Rejoice Newton	1868	53 years
1816	David Brewster	1868	52 years
1818	Henry Marie Brackenridge	1871	53 years
1851	John Chandler Bancroft Davis	1907	56 years
1853	George Frisbie Hoar	1904	51 years
1854	James Davie Butler	1905	51 years
1862	Horace Davis	1916	54 years
1893	Albert Shaw	1947	54 years
1896	George Henry Haynes	1947	51 years

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1899	George Parker Winship	1952	53 years
1908	Alfred Louis Kroeber	1960	52 years
1924	Kenneth Ballard Murdock	1975	51 years
1934	Dumas Malone	1986	52 years

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