

LUTHER S. LIVINGSTON.

Luther Samuel Livingston died in Cambridge, December 24, 1914. He was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., on July 7, 1864, and very early in life became interested in the book-trade. In 1887 he was engaged by Dodd, Mead & Co., and except for certain intervals spent in botanical research, was connected with that firm until 1910, when Robert H. Dodd joined with him in separate partnership under the firm name of Dodd & Livingston. In 1914 he was appointed Librarian of the Widener collection in the Harvard College Library. His unfortunate death, after an illness extending over two years, came within four weeks after the time of his appointment. In 1898 he married Flora V. Milner, who survived him.

Mr. Livingston was one of the leading bibliographical authorities in the country and was a frequent contributor on literary subjects to "The Nation" and other periodicals. He compiled the series of "American Book Prices Current" from 1895 to 1914, and the four volume "Auction Prices of Books" in 1905. Among his numerous other publications were the "Bibliography of Charles and Mary Lamb," and "Franklin and his Press at Passy," which latter volume appeared only a few days before his death. Mr. Livingston was elected a member of this Society in October, 1914, in recognition of which he presented to the Library a number of valuable works relating to Spanish America. His death was a great loss to this Society as well as to the book-world in general.

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HENRY A. MARSH.

Henry Alexander Marsh was born in Southborough, Mass., September 7, 1836, and died in Worcester, Mass., November 6, 1914. He came to Worcester in 1849 and since then resided here. In 1853 he entered the Central Bank and continued with that institution, holding the offices of cashier and president until 1892, when it was absorbed by the Worcester

Trust Company, of which he became vice-president. He was a prominent figure in the financial circles of the city, noted for his integrity and wisdom, was treasurer of many philanthropic societies and trustee of numerous public and private funds. Mr. Marsh was elected mayor of Worcester in 1892, and served with conspicuous fidelity until 1896. He was elected a member of this Society in 1893, and was constant in his attendance at its meetings and showed his interest by frequent contributions to its collections. He served as auditor from 1907 until his death. On September 7, 1864, he married Emily W. Mason of Worcester who with two daughters survived him.

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EZRA SCOLLAY STEARNS.

Ezra Scollay Stearns died in Fitchburg, Mass., March 9, 1915, having been a member of this Society since 1895. He was born in Rindge, N. H., September 1, 1838, and resided in that State many years. From 1864 to 1867 he served as a member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, and from 1886 to 1890 as a member of the State Senate. In 1891 he was elected Secretary of State, and served for nine years. In this position he was very active in securing the adoption of the Australian ballot and himself devised for the State the system of printing the ballots and checking the votes. After his removal to Fitchburg, he took great interest in the Fitchburg library, being regarded as one of the most valuable members of the board of trustees. In the organization of the Fitchburg Historical Society he was prominent and aided in securing its handsome building, contributing liberally both money and service, and was its president at the time of his death. He was author of histories of Ashburnham, Mass., Plymouth, N. H., and also of Rindge, N. H., his native town, a revised edition of which was being prepared by him when he died. He made many genealogical researches and contributed numerous articles to magazines devoted to that subject. The degree of A. M. was conferred

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