

## PROCEEDINGS

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY, OCTOBER 20, 1920,  
AT THE HALL OF THE SOCIETY, WORCESTER

**T**HE annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at Antiquarian Hall, on Wednesday, October 20, 1920, the meeting being called to order at 10.45 a. m. by President Lincoln.

There were present the following members:

Reuben Colton, Henry Herbert Edes, William Eaton Foster, Francis Henshaw Dewey, William Trowbridge Forbes, George Henry Haynes, Arthur Lord, Charles Lemuel Nichols, Waldo Lincoln, George Parker Winship, Samuel Utley, Benjamin Thomas Hill, Clarence Winthrop Bowen, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Lincoln Newton Kinnicutt, Worthington Chauncey Ford, Julius Herbert Tuttle, Charles Grenfill Washburn, Samuel Bayard Woodward, George Hubbard Blakeslee, Wilfred Harold Munro, Henry Winchester Cunningham, Frank Farnum Dresser, George Francis Dow, Homer Gage, Herbert Edwin Lombard, Howard Millar Chapin, Samuel Eliot Morison, Grenville Howland Norcross, Thomas Hovey Gage, Otis Grant Hammond, John Whittemore Farwell, Rev. Henry Bradford Washburn, Leonard Wheeler, Alexander George McAdie, Nathaniel Thayer Kidder, George Anthony Gaskill, John Woodbury, Alfred Lawrence Aiken, John Henry Edmonds, Leonard Leopold Mackall, Samuel Lyman Munson, William Roscoe Thayer, Merrick Lincoln, George Leander Shepley, James Benjamin Wilbur.

The call for the meeting having been read by the Secretary, the reading of the records of the last meeting was dispensed with by vote of the Society and the records were approved.

The President then read the report of the Council; Dr. S. B. Woodward presented the printed report of the Treasurer; and Mr. Brigham read the report of the Librarian. It was moved by Mr. Thayer, and so voted, that these three reports be accepted as the report of the Council and referred to the Committee of Publication.

Election of officers and new members being next in order, the President appointed Messrs. Edes, Wilbur and Chapin to collect, sort and count the ballots for President. They reported that all ballots cast were for Waldo Lincoln. The committee on other officers, appointed by the President, were Messrs. Cunningham, Morison and Edmonds, and they reported the following names to be acted upon by the Society:

*Vice-Presidents.*

Arthur Prentice Rugg, LL.D., of Worcester, Mass.  
Clarence Winthrop Bowen, LL.D., of New York,  
N. Y.

*Councillors.*

Granville Stanley Hall, LL.D., of Worcester, Mass.  
Samuel Utley, LL.B., of Worcester, Mass.  
Charles Grenfill Washburn, A.B., of Worcester,  
Mass.  
Francis Henshaw Dewey, A.M., of Worcester, Mass.  
Henry Winchester Cunningham, A.B., of Milton,  
Mass.  
George Parker Winship, Litt. D., of Dover, Mass.  
William Howard Taft, LL.D., of New Haven, Conn.  
George Hubbard Blakeslee, Ph.D., of Worcester,  
Mass.  
Henry Herbert Edes, A.M., of Cambridge, Mass.  
Clarence Saunders Brigham, A.M., of Worcester,  
Mass.

*Secretary for Foreign Correspondence.*

James Phinney Baxter, Litt. D., of Portland, Me.

*Secretary for Domestic Correspondence.*

Worthington Chauncey Ford, Litt. D., of Cambridge, Mass.

*Recording Secretary.*

Charles Lemuel Nichols, M.D., Litt. D., of Worcester, Mass.

*Treasurer.*

Samuel Bayard Woodward, M.D., of Worcester, Mass.

*Committee of Publication.*

George Henry Haynes, Ph.D., of Worcester, Mass.

Julius Herbert Tuttle, of Dedham, Mass.

John Henry Edmonds, of Boston, Mass.

Clarence Saunders Brigham, A.M., of Worcester, Mass.

*Auditors.*

Benjamin Thomas Hill, A.B., of Worcester, Mass.

Homer Gage, M.D., of Worcester, Mass.

The Secretary was authorized by vote to cast a ye ballot for the members so named and the President declared them elected. The oath of office was administered to the Secretary by Mr. Gaskill.

The President appointed Messrs. Norcross, McAdie and Gaskill a committee to collect the ballots for new members and this committee announced the unanimous election of the following:

*Resident Members.*

John Adams Aiken, of Greenfield, Mass.

William Gwinn Mather, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Fred Norris Robinson, of Cambridge, Mass.

Nathaniel Wright Stephenson, of Charleston, S. C.

*Foreign Member.*

Jorge M. Corbacho, of Lima, Peru.

Professor Blakeslee reported on the work accomplished by the graduate students at Clark University, selected to fill the American Antiquarian Society fellowship. He spoke strongly of the benefits to this Society which would follow the dissemination of a knowledge of our resources by these scholars, whose work had been done largely in the library of the Society.

There being no further business, the following papers were presented:

In the absence of Chief Justice Rugg, Mr. Dresser read his paper entitled, "The Case between Richard Sherman and Capt. Robert Keayne, 1642."

Dr. Nichols read a paper on "The Portraits of Isaiah Thomas." In connection with the paper he presented a pastel portrait of Mr. Thomas, in his name and that of Mr. Leonard C. Couch of Taunton, to whom the picture descended from Isaiah Thomas himself, through his grand-daughter Hannah, who was the grandmother of Mr. Couch.

Mr. Arthur Lord read a paper on "The Mayflower Compact." Mr. Munro, in congratulating the Society on this important paper, said that it should be widely read because of the large amount of misinformation on the subject of the Pilgrims which is being disseminated at this time by inaccurate articles.

Mr. T. Hovey Gage read a paper on "An Artist Index to Stauffer's American Engravers."

It was voted on motion of Mr. Edes, that these papers be referred to the Committee of Publication.

The President invited the members to lunch with him at his residence, 49 Elm Street, at the close of the meeting. There being no further business the meeting was dissolved.

CHARLES LEMUEL NICHOLS,  
*Recording Secretary.*

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