

Proceedings of the Semi-annual Meeting

APRIL 17, 1946

AT THE CLUB OF ODD VOLUMES, BOSTON

THE semi-annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Club of Odd Volumes, 77 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, April 17, 1946, at 10.45 o'clock. The President of the Society, Captain Samuel Eliot Morison, U.S.N.R., presided at the meeting. The following members were present:

John McKinstry Merriam, George Parker Winship, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Albert Carlos Bates, Samuel Eliot Morison, Lawrence Waters Jenkins, Robert Kendall Shaw, Chandler Bullock, Charles Eliot Goodspeed, William Sumner Appleton, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, George Sumner Barton, Mark Antony DeWolfe Howe, Russell Sturgis Paine, Herbert Joseph Spinden, James Melville Hunnewell, Stephen Willard Phillips, William Irving Clark, George Gregerson Wolkins, Howard Corning, Allyn Bailey Forbes, Hermann Frederick Clarke, Augustus Peabody Loring, Jr., Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Theron Johnson Damon, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, Albert White Rice, Fred Tarbell Field, Frederick Lewis Weis, Donald McKay Frost, Arthur Meier Schlesinger, Chauncey Cushing Nash, Frederick Haven Pratt, Samuel Foster Damon, William Alexander Jackson, Roger Wolcott, Bradley Baldwin Gilman, Richard Allen Heald, Carl Bridenbaugh, Ernest Caulfield, and George Russell Stobbs.

In the absence of Mr. Blakeslee, Daniel W. Lincoln was chosen Secretary pro tem and read the call for the meeting. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the Annual Meeting of October, 1945.

The Director, Clarence S. Brigham, read the report of the Council. It was voted to accept the report and refer it to the Committee on Publications.

The Treasurer, Mr. Bullock, referred to the finances of the Society, to the deficit experienced during the preceding six months, and to the need of gifts from members.

The election of new members being in order, the President announced the following recommendations by the Council for membership in the Society:

Arthur Adams, Hartford, Conn.

Richard LeBaron Bowen, Rehoboth, Mass.

LeRoy Archer Campbell, Worcester, Mass.

Harold Lancour, New York, N. Y.

Frederick Merk, Belmont, Mass.

Charles Henry Sawyer, Worcester, Mass.

Thomas Jefferson Wertenbaker, Princeton, N. J.

President Morison appointed Messrs. Hunnewell, Jackson, and Gilman a committee of three to distribute and collect ballots. The committee reported that all of the ballots cast were in favor of the nominees, and they were declared elected.

A paper was read by Carl Bridenbaugh on "The New England Town: A Way of Life." Following the paper, remarks were made by Messrs. S. W. Phillips, Winship, Shipton, Goodspeed, and the President. President Morison stated that Dr. Fuess who was scheduled to speak on "Lessons from Louisbourg" was unfortunately absent because of illness, and that he himself had been impressed into

service to fill the place on the program. He then spoke informally on the naval history of the recent war in the Pacific. Mr. Weis communicated, by title, his catalogue of the portraits in the collection of the Society.

The members of the Society were then invited to luncheon by Mr. Donald McKay Frost at the Club of Odd Volumes.

DANIEL W. LINCOLN, *Secretary pro tem.*

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