# PROCEEDINGS

# ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY, OCTOBER 20, 1926, AT THE LIBRARY OF THE SOCIETY, WORCESTER

THE Annual Meeting of the American Antiquarian Society was held at the Library of the Society, Worcester, Mass., October 20, 1926, at 10.45 o'clock, a. m. The meeting was called to order by the President. The following members of the Society were present:

John McKinstry Merriam, William Eaton Foster, Francis Henshaw Dewey, William Trowbridge Forbes, George Henry Haynes, Charles Lemuel Nichols, Waldo Lincoln, George Parker Winship, William MacDonald, Clarence Winthrop Bowen, Victor Hugo Paltsits, Clarence Saunders Brigham, Worthington Chauncey Ford, Julius Herbert Tuttle, Charles Grenfill Washburn, Samuel Bayard Woodward, George Hubbard Blakeslee, William Vail Kellen, Wilfred Harold Munro, Henry Winchester Cunningham, Albert Bushnell Hart, Rev. Shepherd Knapp, Homer Gage, Livingston Davis, Rev. Herbert Edwin Lombard, Samuel Eliot Morison, George Arthur Plimpton, Thomas Hovey Gage, Rev. Henry Bradford Washburn, Alexander George McAdie, John Henry Edmonds, Samuel Lyman Munson, James Benjamin Wilbur, Chandler Bullock, Charles Eliot Goodspeed, Rev. George Foot Moore, Francis Russell Hart, Alfred Johnson, Gardner Weld Allen, George Ichabod Rockwood, Lawrence Counselman Wroth, Matt Bushnell Jones, Daniel Waldo Lincoln, Frederic Winthrop, Frank Brewer Bemis, George Sumner Barton, Thomas Bonaventure Lawler, Rev. Charles Alpheus Place.

The call for the meeting was read by the Secretary. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the

records of the last meeting.

The report of the Council to the Society was presented by the President. The Treasurer's report was presented by Dr. Woodward and the Librarian's report was presented by Mr. Brigham. Mr. Winship, in behalf of Mr. Leland, the Society's delegate to the Council of Learned Societies, presented a report of the activities undertaken by said Council.

It was voted to refer the foregoing reports to the Committee of Publication.

The election of officers being in order, the President appointed Messrs. Cunningham, Paltsits and Lombard a committee to distribute and collect ballots for the election of President, which Committee reported that all the votes were for Waldo Lincoln and he was declared elected.

It was voted to authorize the President to appoint a Committee to nominate other officers of the Society. The President appointed to this Committee, Messrs. Winship, W. T. Forbes and Rockwood, who presented the following nominations:

## Vice-Presidents

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

#### Councillors

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 Washington, D. C.

George Hubbard Blakeslee, Ph.D., of Worcester, Mass. Clarence Saunders Brigham, A.M., of Worcester, Mass.

James Benjamin Wilbur, LL.D., of Manchester, Vt. Samuel Lyman Munson, of Albany, N. Y. William Vail Kellen, LL.D., of Boston, Mass.

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Secretary for Foreign Correspondence

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

Secretary for Domestic Correspondence Worthington Chauncey Ford, LL.D., of Boston, Mass.

Recording Secretary Thomas Hovey Gage, LL.B., 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

Homer Gage, M.D., of Worcester, Mass. Daniel Waldo Lincoln, LL.B., of Worcester, Mass.

Upon motion of Judge Forbes, it was voted that the President receive the votes of all those who wished to vote for officers of the Society and the President announced that all the votes received were for the officers presented by the Committee.

The Recording Secretary was sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties by Francis H. Dewey, Justice of the Peace.

On motion of Dr. Woodward, it was voted that the action of Samuel B. Woodward as Treasurer of this corporation in depositing the bonds listed at the end of this vote with The First National Bank of Boston, under the Boston and Maine Reorganization Plan and Agreement, dated September 1, 1925, in exchange for new bonds, pursuant to said Plan and Agreement, be and the same is hereby ratified, approved, adopted and confirmed.

It was further voted that the action of Samuel B. Woodward as Treasurer of this corporation, in endorsing said bonds in the name and on behalf of this corporation, and requesting that the new bonds be issued in coupon form, be and the same is hereby ratified, approved, adopted and confirmed.

It was further voted that the First National Bank of Boston, Depositary under the aforesaid Plan and Agreement be and it hereby is authorized and directed to deliver the new bonds in exchange for the bonds listed below to or upon the order of Samuel B. Woodward as Treasurer of this corporation.

Name of Maker of Bond Date of Maturity Amount of Bond Boston & Maine R.R. Feb. 2, 1925 \$5,000 No. 31 Mr. Brigham then presented the nominations of the Council for membership in the Society:

George Francis Booth, Worcester, Mass. Aldus Chapin Higgins, Worcester, Mass. Paul Beagary Morgan, Worcester, Mass. Russell Sturgis Paine, Worcester, Mass. Herbert Joseph Spinden, Cambridge, Mass. Forrest Waldo Taylor, Worcester, Mass. John Munro Woolsey, New York, N. Y.

The President appointed Messrs. Kellen, D. W. Lincoln and Wroth a Committee to distribute and collect ballots for new members. The Committee reported a unanimous vote for the Council's nominations and they were declared elected.

The following papers were then presented: "Among the Mormons in the Days of Brigham Young," by Wilfred H. Munro, of Providence, R. I.; "A Collection of Revolutionary Letters," by Matt B. Jones, of Boston, Mass.; and "Recent Explorations in Yucatan," by Herbert J. Spinden, of Cambridge, Mass.; the last paper being illustrated by lantern slides.

It was voted to refer the first two papers to the Committee of Publication. The paper by Dr. Spinden was offered informally and was not intended to be printed.

The meeting adjourned at 1.30 p.m. and the members were entertained at luncheon by the President at his home, 49 Elm Street.

> THOMAS HOVEY GAGE, Recording Secretary

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