thirty years of earnest, active service. In recognition of his historical and antiquarian work Amherst College conferred upon him the degree of A. M. He was a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society, the New England Historic Genealogical Society, the American Historical Association and of this Society to which he was elected in 1908. Ill health only prevented his taking an active part in its proceedings. On December 26, 1876, he married Carrie L. Luce, who with six children survives him.

## REUBEN GOLD THWAITES.

Reuben Gold Thwaites was born in Dorchester, Mass., May 15, 1853, and died in Madison, Wis., October 22, 1913, having been a member of this Society since 1892. He was educated in the public schools after which he took a course of self instruction and then entered Yale for post-graduate studies which he pursued in 1874-5. As correspondent and editor he was engaged in newspaper work for several years. Since 1886 he has been Secretary of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin. During his term the library and museum of the Society had an enormous growth until today they are among the best in the country, and the facilities for study and research work have met with praise from all scholars. Dr. Thwaites was a keen observer, had travelled extensively in this country and in Europe, and as author and editor published many books relating to his State and the early West and was regarded as one of the best informed historians in that section of the country. was lecturer on American History at the University of Wisconsin, which in 1904 conferred upon him the degree of LL. D. In 1882 he married Jessie I. Turville, who with one son survives him.

As a member of this Society he cordially responded to all calls for advice, made many gifts of books and pamphlets and contributed these papers to its Proceedings: "Story of Chequamegon Bay," April, 1895, and "Ohio Valley Press before the War of 1812-1815," April, 1909.

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