Proceedings of the Semi-annual Meeting

APRIL 15, 1953

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 15, 1953, at eleven o'clock. Thomas W. Streeter, President of the Society, presided at the meeting. The following members were present:

John McKinstry Merriam, Clarence Saunders Brigham, George Hubbard Blakeslee, Samuel Eliot Morison, Fred Norris Robinson, Chandler Bullock, Mark Antony DeWolfe Howe, Russell Sturgis Paine, James Melville Hunnewell, Stephen Willard Phillips, Stewart Mitchell, Edward Larocque Tinker, Claude Moore Fuess, Thomas Winthrop Streeter, William Irving Clark, Foster Stearns, James Duncan Phillips, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Theron Johnson Damon, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, Albert White Rice. Frederick Lewis Weis, Hamilton Vaughan Bail, Clarence Henry Haring, Chauncey Cushing Nash, William Greene Roelker, Walter Muir Whitehill, Samuel Foster Damon, William Alexander Jackson, Roger Wolcott, Ernest Caulfield, George Russell Stobbs, James Tinkham Babb, Edward Harold Cole, Richard Harrison Shryock, Raymond Sanger Wilkins, Bertram Kimball Little, Carleton Rubira Richmond, Philip Howard Cook, John Adams, I. Bernard Cohen, Elmer Tindall Hutchinson, Arthur Harrison Cole, George Talbot Goodspeed, Stephen Thomas Riley, Rollo Gabriel Silver. and Lee Max Friedman.

In the absence of Daniel W. Lincoln, Mr. Shipton 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, 1952.

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

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

Clifton Waller Barrett, New York City Richard Gimbel, New Haven, Conn. Howard Bonar Jefferson, Worcester, Mass. Robert Earle Moody, Boston, Mass. Irving Sands Olds, New York City

President Streeter appointed Messrs. Hamilton V. Bail, Arthur H. Cole, and Rollo G. Silver a committee of three to distribute and collect the ballots. Mr. Bail reported that a majority of the ballots cast were in favor of the nominees and they were declared elected.

Papers were read by Richard H. Shryock on "Cotton Mather: First Significant Figure in American Medicine," and by James T. Babb on "Collecting Western Americana."

At the close of the meeting, the Society was invited to luncheon at the Club of Odd Volumes by John M. Merriam, senior member of the Society.

> CLIFFORD K. SHIPTON, Secretary pro tem.

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