



Dear Mr. Whittenow;

I find that the last Anteguanan meeting was held April 22, 1901. It is now time for another, and I am trying to fix on a date that will arrange for the greatest number to be present.

This week is filled with 2 nights Minstrel, Tues. Bible Class, Friday Prayer meeting, and tonight I am engaged, & shall be next Monday night.

The Church Holy week is also held this week. Now, if Mr. Tappan can be fitted to Wednes, or Thursday night of next week, the rest will fall in I think. I will see Mrs. Kempt, Mr. Arnold & Mr. Mont, & John White will probably find those nights as near to their convenience as we shall.

Please let me know if it  
~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~on~~ <sup>on</sup> and which ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~will~~  
night or Thursday

As to the work for the meeting,  
If I interpret signs aright, I  
am convinced that now is the  
time to start an Historical  
Society, and get everyone  
interested. We have the man  
in Mr. Japp ~~to thank &~~  
do things to keep up an interest  
among people, and derive  
much benefit therefrom.  
I want you to keep the Chair,  
and shall resign the Secre-  
taryship to Mr. Japp, & go  
on the Executive if I may -

The Executive might keep <sup>to curios</sup> tally books of contributions you  
know, and just go on in  
the same way. We must keep  
also the personality or the  
individuality of the Antiquarian  
Com, first, as we are appointed  
by the Com. But the historical part  
can be an offshoot of it, &  
we shall get much of the thought of  
"natives" which now lies hidden

So when I send the call for  
the meeting, I shall write  
something like this, "an  
Historical Society is in con-  
templation. So that mem-  
bers will put in some thought  
and be ready for prompt  
action as to organization  
&c.

If this seems feasible  
and right to you let me  
know with suggestions.  
You probably see Mr. Tap-  
pan, & let him say the  
night he will be disengaged  
and if it suits you, Mrs  
Kempton & I will fall in  
Mr. Mark if he is in town  
will do the same.

Sharon,  
Monday,  
very truly yo -  
M. E. Huson  
Secy. Ant. Com.



# Sharon Historical Society.

## Copy of Agreement of Association.

We, whose names are hereto subscribed, do, by this Agreement, associate ourselves with the intention to constitute a corporation according to the provisions of the one hundred and twenty fifth chapter of the Revised Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the Acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

The name by which the Corporation shall be known is the Sharon Historical Society.

The Corporation is constituted for the purpose of prosecuting antiquarian and historical matters.

The place within which the Corporation is established or located is the town of Sharon within said Commonwealth.

The corporation has no capital stock.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this fifteenth day of June in the year nineteen hundred and three.

Solomon Talbot.

George H. Whittemore.

William R. Mann.

Alice M. Drake.

Badwallader Curry.  
 Edmund H. Hewins.  
 Kate M. Hewins.  
 Katharine P. Hewins.  
 Alice M. Tuck.  
 Edgar M. Hipson.  
 John G. Phillips.  
 Mary W. Phillips.  
 Anna G. Phillips.  
 Mary N. Phillips.  
 Elizabeth M. Billings.  
 Abbie C. Billings.  
 Susan G. Moody.  
 Helen E. Gannett.  
 May L. Felt.  
 Bushrod Morse.  
 D. W. Pettee.  
 Myra F. Pettee.  
 Velina F. Myrick.  
 Charles F. Bryant.  
 Charles E. Hall.  
 Timothy F. Linn.  
 Edward J. Fuller.  
 W. O. Arnold.  
 Mary E. Hipson.  
 Loring M. Monk.  
 Edmund F. Merriam.  
 Eugene Tappan.  
 Benjamin Reynolds.  
 Ruth A. Reynolds.  
 Lizzie N. Leonard.  
 Mille Louise West.  
 Eunice L. Gay.  
 Ellen J. Horace.  
 A. Alden Carpenter.  
 M. Imogene Carpenter.  
 Crastus O. Fuller.  
 Amanda M. Eddy.  
 Emma A. Baker.  
 Dora M. Leonard.  
 E. O. Carpenter.  
 S. J. Carpenter.  
 George W. Field.  
 Mary Bell Field.  
 S. Robert Tidd.  
 Julia A. Mann.  
 Sidney A. Weston.  
 S. Frank Poole.  
 Charles T. Derry.  
 Almira W. Derry.  
 George A. Bennett.  
 Albert W. Lyon.

Margaret H. Walton.

Dan<sup>l</sup> E. DeVoe.

Harry M. Hight.

John C. Kimball.

Anelia H. Pollard.

Osmond V. Billings.

Edmund H. Talbot.

Harriet M. Chapin.

Eugene C. Plimpton.

Helen S. Plimpton.

Elizabeth O. Bennett.

Geo. R. Mann.

Ida A. Truck.

Charles S. Curtis.

Adelaide M. Fernald.

Carrie N. Fernald.

N. Newton Glazier.

Arthur Dwight Colburn.

Emma P. Colburn.

Walter A. Griffin.

Muriel Tappan

Abel T. Barnes.

Morace S. Shepard.

Gorham M. Taylor.

Calvin G. Coggins

George B. Lischwood.

Winnibel Bowman.

Laura D. Monk.

Rodney E. Monk.

Arthur P. Fiske.

Albert D. Holmes.

C. A. Noyes.

Theodore W. Hixson.

Frank E. Burbank.

Warren Winthrop Copen.

Charles O. Barnes.

Marcellus H. Allen.

John D. McLaughlin.

Robie G. Frye.

John A. Bowman.

Floyd C. Cown.

Joseph Goddard.

Faith Goddard.

John W. McCanna.

Olivier S. Briggs.

Elnie A. Whittemore.

Sharon, Mass., August 27, 1903.

A meeting of the subscribers to the agreement (of which the foregoing is a copy) was held this day at 8 o'clock p.m. in the lower hall of the town hall building in Sharon, the same being the time and place pursuant to the notice sent to the subscribers, a copy of which notice with the affidavit of service thereon is herein recorded as follows, viz.

To

You are hereby notified that the first meeting of the subscribers to an agreement to associate themselves with the intention to constitute a corporation to be known by the name of the Sharon Historical Society dated June 15, 1903, for the purpose of organizing said corporation by the adoption of by-laws and election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held on Thursday, the twenty seventh day of August A.D. 1903, at 8 o'clock P.M. in the lower hall of the town hall building in Sharon, Massachusetts.

George H. Whittemore, one of the subscribers to said agreement.

Sharon, August 18, 1903.

Norfolk SS. Sharon, August 25, 1903. I certify that I have served the foregoing notice upon each of the subscribers by copy served as follows: deposited in the Post Office, post paid, addressed to each at his place of business or



of residence, seven days at least before the day fixed for the first meeting. George H. Whittemore.

Norfolk S.S. Sharon, August 25, 1903. Subscribed and sworn to, before me, Eugene Tappan, Justice of the Peace.

George H. Whittemore called the meeting to order and read the notice of the meeting and the affidavit of service thereon.

It was voted to proceed to ballot for a temporary clerk, and thereupon, upon ballot taken, Arthur P. Fiske was chosen temporary clerk, and was sworn as appears by the original certificate of oath, as follows.

Norfolk S.S.

Sharon, August 27, 1903.

Then personally appeared Arthur P. Fiske, chosen temporary clerk, and made oath that he would faithfully discharge his duties as such temporary clerk. Before me,

George H. Whittemore

Justice of the Peace.

Voted, that George H. Whittemore be chairman of the meeting.

The matter of adoption of the by-laws was then taken up, and after full discussion and consideration the following were adopted by unanimous vote as the by-laws of the Society.

1. The corporate name shall be the Sharon Historical Society.
2. The corporation is for historical and antiquarian purposes.
3. The officers shall be a president, three vice presidents, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, a treasurer, a custodian and a board of nine directors consisting of the president, recording <sup>corresponding secretary,</sup> secretary, treasurer, custodian and four other members.
4. The first board of officers elected at the organization of the Society shall serve until the annual meeting in April 1904 or until their successors are elected. After said organization, the officers shall be elected by ballot at the April meeting of the Society, and shall serve for one year or until their successors are chosen. All officers shall perform their duties under the direction of the directors.
5. Vacancies in office during the year may be filled by the directors.

6. The president, or in his absence, one of the vice presidents, shall preside at the meetings of the Society. The president shall preside at meetings of the directors.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Society, collect fees and dues, and pay bills approved by the directors. He shall furnish a bond with surety or sureties satisfactory to the directors, and any premium for surety shall be paid by the Society.

8. The recording secretary shall keep the records of meetings of the Society, and meetings of the directors, and give notices of meetings of the Society.

9. The corresponding secretary shall attend to the correspondence of the Society.

10. The custodian shall have charge of the property, other than funds, of the Society.

11. The board of directors, except as

otherwise provided in the by-laws, shall have full power and authority to do all acts and transact all business concerning the Society, as they may deem best.

12. The Society shall hold meetings on the last ~~Thursday~~<sup>Friday</sup> of January, April, July and October in each year. Notice of each meeting shall be given to the members by the recording secretary five days at least before the date of the meeting. Where several members are in one household, one notice shall be sufficient for the household.

13. Meetings of the directors may be called at any time by the president, or by two directors, on at least two days notice to each director.

14. A quorum of the Society shall consist of nine members. A quorum of the board of directors shall consist of five members.

15. Any person of lawful age may become a member of the Society upon being proposed

by the board of directors and accepted at a meeting of the Society.

16. A membership fee of one dollar shall be required of each member upon joining the Society.

Amended  
April 24, 1908  
17. Each member shall pay an annual ~~one of fifty cents~~ <sup>one dollar</sup> at the April meeting of the Society.

18. Failure to pay a ~~one~~ for six months, may, at the option of the Society, be treated as resignation of the member.

19. Reports shall be presented by the officers at the April meeting of the Society.

20. The by-laws, or any of them, may be amended or repealed by a two thirds vote of the members present and voting at a regular meeting of the Society, provided notice of the proposed action is inserted in the notices of the meeting.

Voted, that a committee of five be appointed to retire and make up a list of nominees for the several offices named in the by-laws, and report thereon, as soon as may be, to the meeting. Eugene Tappan, Edmund H. Hewins, John G. Phillips, Mary E. Stixon and Emma A. Baker were appointed as such committee, who at once withdrew and subsequently returned to the meeting and reported the following list of nominees for the offices,

President. - John G. Phillips.

Vice presidents, - Solomon Talbot,

William R. Mann,

D. Webster Pettie,

Recording secretary, - George H. Whittmore.

Corresponding secretary, - Eugene Tappan,

Treasurer, - Arthur D. Colburn,

Constodian, - Loring M. Monk,

Four directors, - Edmund H. Hewins,

Mrs. Abie M. Drake,

Timothy F. Quinn,

Miss Emma A. Baker.

Voted, to accept the report of the committee and to proceed to ballot for officers.

Ballots for the different officers were then

severally taken and the following officers were chosen,

President, - John G. Phillips. ✓

Vice presidents, - Solomon Talbot,  
William R. Mann,  
D. Webster Pettee.

Recording secretary, - George H. Whittmore, ✓

Corresponding secretary, - Eugene Tappan, ✓

Treasurer, - Arthur D. Colburn, ✓

Custodian, - Loring M. Monk, ✓

Four directors, - Edmund H. Hewins, ✓  
Mrs. Abie M. Drake, ✓  
Timothy F. Quinn, ✓  
Miss Emma A. Baker. ✓

George H. Whittmore, the recording secretary, was then sworn as appears by the original certificate of oath, as follows,

Norfolk & S.

Sharon, August 27, 1903.

Then personally appeared George H.

Whittemore, chosen as recording secretary of the Sharon Historical Society, and made oath that he would faithfully discharge his duties as such recording secretary.

Before me.

Eugene Tappan.

Justice of the Peace.

The foregoing is a record of the proceedings until and including the choice and qualification of the recording secretary.

Attest.

Arthur P. Fiske.

Temporary Clerk.

The President-elect was escorted to the chair and made a few remarks and then upon motion the meeting adjourned.

Attest George W. Whittemore  
Recording Secretary.



## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BE IT KNOWN That whereas John G. Phillips, Solomon Talbot, William R. Mann, D. W. Pettee, George H. Whittemore, Eugene Tappan, Arthur Dwight Colburn, Loring M. Monk, Edmund H. Hewins, Timothy F. Quinn, Alice M. Drake, Emma A. Baker and others have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of

The Sharon Historical Society

for the purpose of prosecuting antiquarian and historical matters, and have complied with the provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the

President, Treasurer and Directors

of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and recorded in this office:

NOW, THEREFORE I, William M. Olin, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that said John G. Phillips, Solomon Talbot, William R. Mann, D. W. Pettee, George H. Whittemore, Eugene Tappan, Arthur Dwight Colburn, Loring M. Monk, Edmund H. Hewins, Timothy F. Quinn, Alice M. Drake, Emma A. Baker and others,

their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made, an existing corporation under the name of

The Sharon Historical Society

with the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to the limita-

1870  
The first of the year was a very dry one  
and the crops were much injured  
by the drought.

The second of the year was a very  
wet one and the crops were much  
injured by the water.

The third of the year was a very  
dry one and the crops were much  
injured by the drought.

The fourth of the year was a very  
wet one and the crops were much  
injured by the water.

tions, duties and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the Great Seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed, this eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

(signed) Wm. M. Olin

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Secretary of the Commonwealth.



At a meeting duly called and held on Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup> 1903 at 8 o'clock P.M., a quorum being present the meeting was called to order by President John G. Phillips.

Voted. That the reading of the records be dispensed with.

Voted- To proceed to ballot for nine Directors.

The following persons were unanimously elected directors.

John G. Phillips  
 Eugene Tappan  
 Arthur D. Colburn  
 George W. Whittemore  
 Loring M. Monk  
 Edmund W. Hewins  
 Timothy J. Quinn  
 Alice M. Drake  
 Emma A. Baker

Voted To adjourn

Attest George W. Whittemore  
 Recording Secretary

Sharon October 29 1903  
 The first quarterly meeting of the Society  
 was called to order at 8 o'clock P. M.  
 President John G. Phillips in the Chair.  
 On motion of Timothy F. Lunn it was  
 voted - That the reading of the records be  
 dispensed with.

The following new members were presented  
 by the Directors and they were voted  
 in by a unanimous vote of the Society.

George Rempton  
 Eliza J. Rempton  
 Clara E. Curtis  
 Eliza L. White  
 Lillias C. Davenport  
 James W. Pringle  
 Silas A. Stone  
 Mattie W. Green  
 John H. Mackintosh

The President addressed the Society and  
 afterwards introduced the following speakers.  
 Don Gleason Will Esq of Dedham who  
 spoke on the subject.  
 "Study and use of ancient records."

Charles S. Curtis read an interesting paper on a historical

period of this town, when church and state  
were very closely connected.

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Eugene Tappan Esq gave a fine address  
on "Local history an interesting study."

Thomas E. Grover Esq of Canton  
who spoke on Life in Old times

Visitors were present from Brockton, Canton  
& Stoughton.

At the conclusion of the speaking  
a social half hour was had - and in  
closing all joined in singing  
Old Angel Tune.

Voted. Thanks to our invited guests -

George W. Whittemore  
Rec. Secy

D Sharon, January 28, 1904.

After a social half-hour, the second quarterly meeting of the Society was called to order at 8:25 o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of President John G. Phillips, Vice-president D. Webster Fetter presided.

Recording Secretary George H. Whittmore being absent, it became necessary to fill that office temporarily, and Arthur P. Fiske was elected recording secretary pro tempore.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following named persons were presented by the directors for membership, and by unanimous vote of the Society were elected members.

Ezra Otis Swift,  
 Minnie R. Heming,  
 Walter H. Belabo,  
 Gertrude H. Belano  
 G. Ashley Hazard,  
 H. Frank Leonard,  
 Mary J. Leonard,  
 Fred. L. Holbrook,  
 Mary Estey Holbrook,  
 Elizabeth L. Quinn,



Herbert F. Nelson,  
 Frederick V. Brittain,  
 Louis F. Gates  
 William L. Haskel,  
 Agnes P. Haskel,  
 W. Perry Fiske,  
 William T. Hall.

On motion of Eugene Tappan the following resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of the Society.

Resolved, - That the Sharon Historical Society, having lost one of its directors, Mrs. Alice M. Drake, who died December 14, 1903, hereby expresses its appreciation of a life-long citizen of Sharon, who was allied to several of its old families, fond of its history, and much interested in the formation and work of the Historical Society.

Notice of the meeting of the Stoughton Historical Society on Monday, February 1st next, and invitation to the members of the Sharon Historical Society to attend said meeting, was read.

Dr. Loring W. Puffer, of Brockton, gave an address, comparing the manner of living and the morality of the present generation

with that of the past, and suggesting a remedy for some of the present evils.

After a recess of five minutes, Dr. George W. Field gave an interesting lecture on "Sharon geology", illustrated by charts and photographs.

Engene Tappan, Esq. made a few remarks and suggestions in relation to contributions, by members, to the "Scrap-Book", giving the contribution of President Cardage of the Brooklyn Historical Society as an example; afterwards reading a letter received from President John G. Phillips, which was listened to with great interest.

Voted to adjourn after singing one verse of "Auld Lang Syne"

Attest,

Arthur P. Fiske,

Recording Secretary pro tem.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Norfolk S.S.

Sharon Historical Society  
Corporation

Sharon Mass April 28 1904

In pursuance of a duly called notice,  
a meeting of said Corporation, called  
and held on the above written day  
and date the members thereof were  
called to order by the Vice President,  
acting President Daniel Webster Fettee  
at 8 o'clock P.M. in the Lower Town  
Hall.

The records of the last quarterly  
meeting read and approved.

The Directors presented the following  
names for election as members

Marie Hilda Brittain  
Mary Adelia Fickett  
Edmund D. Hewins  
Ora A. Hewins  
Guild A. Copeland  
Anna W. Shepard  
Benjamin S. Tolles  
Willis Thompson  
Frank P. Long  
Carrie A. Long  
Lydia G. Richards

Otis S. Tolman,	Almon J. Dyer
George P. Lawrence,	Lizzie J. L. Dyer
M. P. W. Kneutzy	Bernard L. Paine
Frank W. Trafton	Elizabeth W. Trafton
Bertha W. Campbell	George B. Fowler
Margaret W. Highby	Bernice W. Fowler
Alfred C. Sampson	Mary J. Safford.

Voted. That the above named persons members of the Society by a unanimous vote.

Voted. To accept the resignations of Oliver L. Briggs and S. Frank Poole.

Voted. To amend the By-Laws as follows—  
19 votes in the affirmative none in the negative.

That Section 12 be amended by striking after the word April; the word July and inserting, the last Thursday in Old Home week in each year.

also Voted by a vote of 23 to 0 to add the office of Auditor to the list as per Section 3.

Voted. That Eugene Tappan be a delegate to represent this Society at a meeting of the Bay State Historical League to be held in Boston April 30<sup>th</sup> inst.

Heard the reports of the various officers and Voted to accept and adopt the same and place said reports on file.

Voted. That the President appoint a Committee of five to bring a list of persons to be officers of the Corporation for the ensuing year.

Arthur Perry Fiske  
 Charles S. Curtis  
 James W. Pringle  
 Julia A. Mann  
 Doris W. Leonard

were appointed and reported a list of officers to be balloted for by the members present.

A Ballot-box was prepared and Mr A.P. Fiske acting as Teller it was voted to proceed to ballot.

At close of the polls. The President and Recording Secretary canvassed the vote and found as follows.

Whole number of Ballots 23.  
 23 votes were cast for each of the following persons to serve the Corporation for the ensuing year.

President  
John G. Phillips

Vice Presidents  
Solomon Talbot. William R. Mann  
D. Webster Petter.

Recording Secretary  
George W. Whittemore

Corresponding Secretary  
Eugene Tappan

Treasurer  
Arthur D. Colburn

Auditor  
John A. Bowman

Custodian  
Loring W. Monk.

Directors  
John G. Phillips George W. Whittemore  
Eugene Tappan Arthur D. Colburn  
Loring W. Monk Edmund H. Hewins  
Timothy F. Linnis Emma A. Baker  
Amanda W. Eddy.

The President declared the election of the foregoing and the Recording Secretary was duly sworn to the faithful performance of the duties of said office by Eugene Tappan Justice of the Peace.

During the social hour the first publication of the Society a volume containing 36 pages was distributed to the members present.

Mr William R. Mann was presented and read his highly instructive and interesting paper, Recollections of Sharon sixty years ago. He was applauded very warmly at the close of his address the same occupying an hour in the reading. A very interesting letter from the President John G. Phillips, read by Jas. W. Pringle. The Recording Secretary read a leaf of Sharon History which was presented to the Society by Mrs Lucy H. Wickes.

The meeting all joined in singing the usual melody at the close of the exercises.

Dissolved at 9.30 P. M.

Attest George K. Whittmore  
R. S.

Sharon Mass Aug 4 1904

The quarterly meeting duly called and held at the Town Hall, was called to order by D. W. Petlee President at 8 o'clock P. M.

Music by Keach's Orchestra.

Records of the last meeting read and declared approved.

The following persons were elected members of the Society

John F. White

Ralph L. Pollard

Percy R. Middleton

Dora Middleton

Arthur A. Bailey

Minnie C. Bailey

Alvin D. Packard

John C. O'Brien

Benjamin Welch

Dora W. Welch

Ella F. Boehm

Amanda Sussiman

Harriet A. Johnson

Charles H. Kittredge

Elizabeth F. Kittredge

Marcus E. Lincoln



The following resolutions were passed  
by a unanimous vote.

Resolved That the Sharon Historical Society  
hereby testifies its regard for two mem-  
bers who have recently died.

Frederick L. Holbrook died June 16 1904  
He served his country in the civil war,  
and was a good citizen at all times

W<sup>m</sup>. Oscar Arnold died July 18 1904  
He was a skilled organist and generous  
in using his talents for the pleasure of others.

Mr Henry Talbot read a description  
of the old homesteads of some of the  
early settlers of Sharon, illustrated  
by a map, as prepared by his father  
the oldest member of the Society.

Miss Elmira S. Winship read a paper  
written by her mother Mrs Adaliza Winship  
describing a ride to Moose Hill 70 years  
ago.

Intermission with music by the  
Orchestra.

Address by Rev. J. Frank Waters  
of Ipswich Mass.

Singing of Old Anne Lyne by the  
audience

Adjourned

Must George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon Oct 27 1904

The Sharon Historical Society held its quarterly meeting at the Town Hall at 8 o'clock P. M.

President John G. Phillips in the Chair.

The meeting opened with singing by the following double quartette  
Cassius C. Stearns, Pianist  
and Director.

Mrs Lizzie J. L. Dyer	Miss Nellie P. Barnes
Mrs C. A. Potter	Miss Edna B. Lockwood
Mr C. S. Curtis	Mr Arthur D. Colburn
Mr A. F. Caswell	Mr William H. Bannister

Records read and approved.

Members admitted by vote of the Society

Mary E. Barnes	Eliza B. Mills
Laura A. Sage	Gertrude W. Cobb
Henry F. Maxwell	Arthur S. Hixson
Florence Dean	William B. Holmes
Fred W. Mansfield	Sarah M. Mansfield
E. Gilmore Richards	Gertrude F. Richards
Rev A. W. Somers	Mabel Somers-

The following report was presented.

The Committee appointed by the Trustees to take note of the 90<sup>th</sup> birth day of Vice President Solomon Talbot, reports that on September 22, 1904 the officers of the Sharon Historical Society and other citizens met at the house of Mr Talbot, where Mr J. F. Quinn made a congratulatory address and presented a Daulton Pitcher to Mr Talbot with his name and date upon it.

Response was made by Mr Talbot who entertained the Company with old time reminiscences, and the ladies of the family served refreshments, All were happy in honoring the oldest man in Sharon.

Eugene Tappan.

Committee

Voted. To adopt the report for record.

The following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Resolved. That the Sharon Historical Society in the death of Mrs Eunice L. Gay September 5. 1904, at the age of 87 years, has lost a valued member, who as a native of Sharon loved the town and was ever interested in its welfare.

An intermission of 15 minutes was had. during which Mr Eugene Tappan addressed the President in a congratulatory manner on his return home from his visit to Europe at the close presenting him with a gavel made from the newel post of the stair case in the homestead of his birth.

Mr Phillips responded in a feeling manner and addressed the Society, testifying to his joy in once more being present with them at home.

After intermission the meeting was called to order and listened to a very interesting address on Old Provincial Days, by Rev. Anson Titus of Somerville.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be extended to the Lecturer of the evening, and to the musical talent who have so kindly rendered their services for our entertainment  
attest George W. Whittier R. S.

Sharon June 26 1905  
 The regular quarterly meeting of the  
 Sharon Historical Society duly called  
 was held at the Lower Town Hall  
 on the date above written.

The Committee had prepared the  
 hall for the social hour and tea  
 was served by the Misses Phillips  
 and Tuck. music being also  
 furnished by Robert Tappan and  
 Everett Stanton

The business meeting then proceeded  
 President Phillips in the Chair.

A list of persons presented by the Directors  
 was read and unanimously approved.

Voted - That Miss Carrie Perkins,  
 Mr James E. Leach, Mrs Coris C. Sampson,  
 Mrs Sarah C. Burbank, Miss Mary A. Hull,  
 Mrs Marion D. Davenport and Mrs Catherine  
 A. Shedd be elected members of the  
 Society.

President Phillips called Vice President  
 Solomon Talbot to the Chair and addressed  
 the Society.

Pole Plain the origin of the name  
 as applied to a part of Sharon 250 years  
 ago. He was listened to with very close  
 attention by the society and frequently

applauded. and at the close of he called for expressions from the members of their opinions why Sharon was on Pole Plain.

Mr Tappan and Mr E. L. Richards responded and made brief remarks also Mr Talbot from the Chair informed the meeting of his examination of a deed of property in the north part of the town, being described as a portion of Pole Plain A letter was read by the President from William R. Mann Esq. bearing upon the subject also.

Mr Frederick Endicott who was to address the Society was detained at home by illness and the inclemency of the weather.

Voted. That the President appoint a Committee of three persons, not officers of the Society, to prepare a list of nominees for all offices of the Society to be filled at the next April meeting; Such Committee to place their report in the hands of the President, ten days before the April Meeting, for examination by any member interested.

The Committee

E. Gilmore Richards John W. Mackintosh  
Miss Lizzie W. Leonard.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be extended to President John G. Phillips for his excellent address and it was unanionously carried.

Voted. That a vote of thanks be extended to those who have contributed to the pleasure of the evening by serving tea, and the musical entertainment, and it was unanionously carried.

A gift of a very rare nature was exhibited to the meeting, explained by the President; it being a section of wall paper taken from the Capew house on Massapoung Str at the time of its repair by Charles E. Hall a member of our Society.

After a short social intermission the meeting closed by music and the singing of Should Ould Acquaintance be forgot.

Attest Geo. W. Whittemore



Sharon Historical Society  
Corporation

Amfokk S.S.

April 27 A. D. 1905

Pursuant to a call issued by the duly constituted authorities the members of the Society met at the Town Hall in said Sharon at 8 o'clock P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

Records of the last meeting read by the Recording Secretary and declared approved. Report of the Treasurer presented and read together with the certification of the Auditor as to its correctness.

Voted. That the report be accepted and placed on file.

April	1904.	Balance in Treasury	\$ 836.00
March 31	1905	Received for Membership	\$ 430.00
" "	"	" " Dues.	<u>3250</u> \$ 159.10
		Paid for various purposes during the year	<u>114.27</u>
		Balance in Treasury.	\$ 44.83

The Corresponding Secretary read his report.

Voted. To accept the report and that it be placed on file.

The Custodian read his report

Voted. That the report, be accepted and placed on file.

The Secretary read two letters which were also placed on file with the proper Secretary.

The President, addressed the Society reviewing the work of the various officers and Committees during the past year, the hopes and encouragement for the future success of the society and its value to the town and to all who have or may become identified with its early history.

The Secretary with the approval of the Directors presented the following names for membership

Mrs Carrie W. Hall. - Mrs Munnie Busbee Thompson  
 Crosby Pappan. Mrs. Lucy Duismore  
 Mr A. J. Smith Mrs. F. Adelaide Talbot  
 Mr C. Augustus Hisson. Mrs Mary L. Hisson  
 Mrs Jennie S. Copeland.

Voted. That the persons named be admitted to membership in the Society.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be and are hereby tendered to the Sharon Improvement and Literary Association for their kind offer of Co-operation with us in the matter of Old Home week celebration on the occasion of our next quarterly meeting and that the Committee appointed confer with our President.

Mrs A. W. Edely one of the Directors offered a motion which was seconded by Mr George Kempton.

In accordance with the suggestion contained in the address of the President.

Voted - That a Committee of three members of the Sharon Historical Society namely; Solomon Talbot, Eugene Tappan and John F. Phillips be chosen to prepare a list of names of all soldiers from Sharon who served in the wars of this Country previous to the outbreak of the Civil War of 1861.

E. Gilmore Richards Chm<sup>r</sup> of the Committee chosen to prepare a list of nominees for the various officers for the ensuing year reported a unanimous nomination of the present board of Officers and Directors.

Report was accepted. The President vacated the Chair and called on Rev A. W. Somers to preside during the election.

Voted. That we proceed to ballot for all on one ballot.

Tellers were appointed and received the ballots from the members who desired to vote and upon canvass of said ballot report to the Chair as follows:

Whole number of ballots 27.  
for the following persons who were declared elected by the President.

President,  
John G. Phillips

Vice Presidents  
Solomon Talbot, William R. Mann  
Daniel Webster Petter,

Recording Secretary  
George W. Whittamore

Corresponding Secretary  
Eugene Tappan

Treasurer  
Arthur D. Colburn

Custodian  
Loring W. Monk

Auditor  
John A. Bowman.

Additional Directors  
Edmund H. Hewins,  
Timothy F. Quinn  
Amanda W. Eddy.  
Emma A. Parker.

Mr Cassius E. Stearns. Composer of the  
Music, presiding at the Piano, with  
S. Thomas Hall. Frank W. Trafton  
Walter A. Griffin Albert F. Gaswell  
then rendered the Concord Hymn to  
the meeting, and on encore repeated  
the same to the great pleasure and quiet  
appreciation of its appropriateness to this  
occasion and the early realization of  
the long looked for memorial to our  
heroic soldiers who also fired a shot still  
heard upon our hills.

Then the social hour, when all present were entertained and this record is made as an evidence of the scribes appreciation of its excellence.

Music. by Messrs Tappan Stanton  
 Refreshments served by Misses  
 Maude Bryant. Grace W. Winsmore  
 Mildred L. Long Grace E. Coggins

Distribution of the Publication No 2.  
 by L. M. Monk. Custodian

Payment by the members of their dues  
 to A. D. Colburn Treas.  
 and real old fashioned sociability prevailed.

Mr Frederick Endicott our-respected  
 fellow worker and Efficient Surveyor,  
 of Canton then was presented and deliver-  
 ed his essay upon the old barrier form  
 on the shores of Massachusetts a map & which  
 together with his manuscript he left with  
 the society for future reference.

Our presidents presentation speech was a gem  
 and Mr Endicotts reply was equally.

The quartette sung another selection and with more instrumental music preceding the final number was reached.

Mrs Julia A. Mann read from the manuscript a very pleasing account of social life in Sharon 60 years ago written by Esquire N. R. Mann the second oldest member of the society and probably the oldest magistrate in this vicinity in point of service.

Mr Eugene Tappan then offered this comprehensive motion which everybody voted for of course

Voted. That the thanks of the Sharon Historical Society be extended to the speakers of the evening, for their instructive addresses, to the singers Messrs Hall, Trafton, Griffin and Caswell and their director Prof Stearns for their patriotic songs, to Misses Bryant, Coggins, Dunsmore and Long for their graceful services at the refreshment table, to Messrs Stanton and Tappan for instrumental music, to the Committee of arrangements and to all who have assisted by their attendance to the pleasure and profit of this meeting.

The President then in a final speech of exhortation to those present to labor for the success and honor of the society asked all to unite once again in singing Auld Lang Syne.

Meeting declared dissolved.

Attest George W. Whittemore  
Recording Secretary.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Norfolk S.S. Sharon, May 4, 1905.

Then personally appeared George W. Whittemore, chosen recording secretary, and made oath that he would faithfully discharge his duties as such recording secretary.

Before me,

Eugene Tappan,  
Justice of the Peace.



Sharon Mass Aug. 3. 1905  
 The quarterly meeting of the Sharon  
 Historical Society was held in the  
 Sharon Town Hall at 8 o'clock P.M.  
 John G. Phillips in the Chair.

Records of the last meeting read and  
 declared approved.

The Directors having approved of  
 the following persons for membership.  
 it was

Voted. That they be admitted  
 to membership in the Society.

Elmer B. Shaw. Maud E. Shaw  
 Jennie P. Snow Julia F. Tidd  
 Thomas W. Bradshaw Arthur C. Kollock  
 Mary J. Giberson Martha W. Hewins  
 Cynthia Bates. Eva C. Woodbridge  
 — Henry F. Talbot. —

The following resolution was offered  
 and unanimously carried.

Resolved - That the Society express its  
 grief at the loss of its member.

Dr. George B. Lickwood who died at  
 Albuquerque New Mexico July 14. 1905

Singing by a quartette composed  
of the following persons  
Charles S. Curtis  
Mrs A. J. Dyer  
Albert F. Caswell  
Mrs C. A. Potter  
Prof C. C. Stearns at the piano-  
Intermission.

Col Edmund W. Hewins took  
the Chair and after a short speech  
introduced the Speaker of the Evening  
His Honor Lieutenant Governor  
Curtis Guild Jr of Boston  
who spoke for an hour to the society,  
at the close of which the people  
were given an opportunity of shaking  
hands with the distinguished speaker  
of the evening.

Meeting dissolved

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon Oct 26 1905  
 The quarterly meeting of the Sharon  
 Historical Society was held in the  
 Lower Town Hall at 8 o'clock P.M.

President John G. Phillips presiding.  
 Records of the last meeting read  
 and declared approved.

Voted - That the following persons,  
 approved by the Board of Directors  
 be admitted to membership.

Fred D. Stanley - Isabelle H. Stanley  
 B. Frank Rhoades - Bessie F. Rhoades  
 Thomas S. Prouty - Lillian C. George  
 Elen A. Hewins - Louisa Hewins

The President introduced the guest of  
 the evening Hon. James H. Flint.  
 who addressed the Society.

Intermission of 15 minutes.  
 Rev. Mr Dyer read a list of the gifts to the  
 Society during the last quarter.

The Secretary Mr Tappan told of the doings  
 for the same period.

Vice President Petter took the Chair  
and President Phillips read a paper  
on the origin of the names of the town.

Mrs C. A. Potter sang "My Heart's in the  
Highlands"

Resolved That a vote of thanks be extended  
to all who have contributed to the  
entertainment of the evening-

Singing closed the exercises, by the whole  
audience "Auld Auld Syne"

Geo. W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon January 25 1906  
 The quarterly meeting of the Sharon  
 Historical Society was held in the Town  
 Hall in Sharon at 8 o'clock P.M.  
 John G. Phillips in the Chair.

The records of the last quarterly meeting  
 read and declared approved.

The following persons whose names  
 had been approved for membership,  
 were read by the Secretary.

Voted. That Nelson L. Martin, Mrs Mary  
 E. Martin, Robert Tappan, Willis A. Shepherd  
 Mrs Alice W. Shepherd and Mrs Louisa Jones  
 be admitted as members.

Voted. That the Sharon Historical Society  
 ask for admission to New State Historical  
 League.

Voted. That a committee of three be  
 appointed to nominate a list of officers  
 for the Society, to be submitted at the  
 meeting in ~~January~~ April for the  
 choice of officers for the year 1906-7  
 William L. Haskel. Charles S. Curtis and  
 Mrs Harriet A. Johnson were appointed.

Col Edmund H. Hewins offered  
the following resolution.

That the Sharon Historical Society  
records its esteem for its valued member,  
the late George Rodney Mann, who died  
at his home on East Street on  
Thanksgiving Day November 30<sup>th</sup> 1905,  
aged 83 years and 5 months.

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Mr George Kempton rising to second the  
above resolution addressed the audience  
in a feeling and eloquent manner, reading  
an appropriate poem (a favorite of our deceased  
member) and testifying to the esteem he personally  
felt for his friend.

The resolution was then passed by  
a unanimous vote the members rising from  
their seats.

President Phillips called the  
Secretary Mr Tappan to the Chair,  
and the printed program was carried out  
greatly to the delight of the large audience

Song. Isabelle H. Stanley

Readings and recitations by John R. Anderson  
Song by the quartette Isabelle H. Stanley

Mrs Mary A. Potter, S. T. Hall and A. F. Caswell

Bernard L. Parie

Pianist.

A fine address by Rev. Edward A. Chase.  
 Song by S Thomas Hull.

The audience sang Francis' address to his  
 Army, and then the Social hour,  
 during which every body seemed happy,  
 and the following was unanimously  
 carried.

Voted. That the thanks of the  
 meeting expressed by a rising vote, be given  
 to our friends named in the programme,  
 for their splendid efforts in this commemorat-  
 ion of Robert Burns, and also to another  
 friend of ours and Burns — present with us —  
 whose name does not appear in the program  
 but to whose invaluable assistance the success  
 of the festival is largely due. — Rufus B. Tobey  
 Esq, the manager of the Boston Floating  
 Hospital.

With more than ordinary emotion  
 Auld Lang Syne was sung once more  
 by all in unison

Adjourned

Attest George V. Whittmore  
 Recording Secretary.

Sharon April 26 1906

The annual meeting of the Sharon Historical Society was held in the Town Hall at 8 o'clock P. M.

The meeting was called to order by President John G. Phillips

Records of the last meeting read and declared approved.

The following persons requesting to withdraw it was voted. To drop their names from the roll of membership.

Charles O. Barnes

Mary E. Barnes

Elizabeth M. Billings

Mary F. Holbrook

Eugene C. Plimpton

Helen L. Plimpton

Amos A. Somers

Mabel Somers

Benjamin S. Tolles

Gorham W. Taylor



The following persons who have been approved by the Directors, it was voted. To admit to membership

Mary A. O'Brien  
 Gertrude G. O'Brien  
 Abner W. Bowman  
 Kate E. Bowman  
 James W. Drake  
 Maria Upham Drake  
 Dorothy Drake  
 William W. Bense  
 Elinor M. Bense  
 C. Elbert Howard  
 Isabella Reynolds.

Heard report of Committee on music as regards the concert to be given Old Home Week by the Old Stoughton Musical Society. also a report from the Committee on the Revolutionary Soldiers

voted. To accept the reports.

voted. To accept the report of the Treasurer and that said report be placed on file.

Voted. To accept the report of  
the Auditor-

Voted. That the Sharon Historical  
Society is pleased to learn that the  
Old Stonington Musical Society has  
consented to give a concert of antique  
music in Sharon on the afternoon of  
one of the early days of Old Home Week  
and the Historical Society will do its part  
in making the occasion a success and  
contributing to the pleasure of the visiting  
members of the Musical Society

Voted. That the thanks of the Sharon  
Historical Society are hereby given to  
Frederick Endicott Esq of Canton  
for the valuable scientific paper on  
Massapoag Pond bank, contributed to  
the Society's Publication No 3. just issued  
and also for the copies of his survey  
of the pond and furnished by him  
for the Society's annual

The United Program was then presented. the principle being an address by Loring W. Puffer Esq. of Brockton.

After an intermission for the social features of the occasion the election of officers took place.

54 votes were cast all for the following -

President  
Edmund W. Hewins

Vice Presidents  
Solomon Talbot. W<sup>m</sup> R. Mann  
D Webster Petter.

Recording Secretary  
George W. Whittemore

Corresponding Secretary  
Eugene Tappan

Treasurer  
Mrs Eliza L. White

Custodian  
Loring W. Monk

Auditor  
John A. Bowman

Additional Directors  
Timothy F. Quinn  
Mrs Amanda M. Eddy  
George Rempton  
Mrs Eliza J. Rempton

The meeting closed with singing  
Auld. Aug. Lyne

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon August 2, 1906  
 The quarterly meeting of the Sharon  
 Historical Society was called to order  
 by the President in the Town Hall,  
 at 8 o'clock P.M.

Records of the last meeting read  
 and declared approved.

The following named persons who have  
 been approved for membership were  
 presented.

Oakes Ames,	N. Easton
Henry P. B. Derry	Sharon
Gertrude W. Derry	"
Kate W. Hall	"
Charles F. Sanborn	"
Louise P. Sanborn	"
Gilbert Thompson	Washington D. C.
Edward A. Warren	Sharon
Evelyn A. Warren	"
William D. Wheeler	"
Alice W. Wheeler	"
Azel Washburn	Worcester
Mary A. Washburn	"

Voted. That the Secretary deposit a ballot  
 for the list as read, and they were declared  
 elected.

No business appearing the printed program was presented to the large audience present.

Hon. John D. Long of Kingham being the orator of the occasion,

At the conclusion of the address it was unanimously voted that the thanks of the Sharon Historical Society be and are hereby tendered to Hon. John D. Long for the fine and able address given on this occasion.

An informal reception to the speaker of the evening was held, after which the meeting closed with singing  
Auld Lang Syne.

George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon October 25 1906  
 The quarterly meeting of the Sharon  
 Historical Society was held in the  
 Town Hall, Thursday Oct 25<sup>th</sup>  
 At 8 o'clock P.M. was called to order  
 by President E. H. Kewins.  
 Music by the Mountverde  
 Orchestra,  
 Singing by the audience  
 of Kellers American Hymn.  
 Mr Geo. A. Dennett, Director.

The records of the last quarterly meet-  
 ing were read and approved.

Noted. That the Recording Secretary  
 cast one ballot for the following persons  
 to become members of the Society:

Oliver S. Chapman,  
 Jay Gould  
 Arthur C. Hariston Worcester  
 Mr & Mrs Alfred W. Johnson  
 Mr & Mrs Henry A. Myrick  
 Rufus B. Tofey Wollaston  
 Mr & Mrs William Barry

Mr. George Kempton calling <sup>on</sup> the  
Corresponding Secretary. Mr. Tappan  
to rise, in a pleasing speech, in behalf  
twenty-five members of the Society  
who have participated in the rambles  
during the past season, presented  
them with four volumes.

The "Autobiography of Andrew D. White  
and "My Life" by Alfred R. Wallace

Mr. Tappan though taken entirely by  
surprise in a neat speech thanked  
the donors.

The Speaker of the occasion.  
Professor William H. P. Faunce of  
Brown University, was then introduced  
and for more than an hour delighted  
the audience with a fine address  
on the island of Sicily.

Professor Geo. W. Field offered a resolution  
of thanks to the speaker, which was  
unanimously carried, the meeting con-  
cluded with the usual social hour  
& singing of Old Auld Syne

George W. Whittemore R.S.



Sharon June 31 1907

The quarterly meeting of the Society  
was held in the Lower Town Hall  
at 8 o'clock P.M.

President Hewins  
in the Chair.

Song by George B. Cutter  
of Somerville. "Sword of Bunker Hill"

Records of the last meeting read and  
approved.

Voted. To admit to membership the  
following persons as approved by the  
Directors:

Mrs O. Augusta Cheney  
Dennis O'Leary  
John Tuck  
Mrs. Jennie S. Kreutz  
Mrs Angie A. Bullard  
John Warren Stearns  
Charlotte Ladd Page Stearns

Mr E. Tappan made a verbal report of  
the meeting at Providence which he  
and other members of the Society attended

Voted. That Arthur D. Colburn, Laura A Sage and George W. Field be a Committee to propose a list of officers to be elected at the April meeting for the ensuing year.

Voted To adopt the list of proposed outings prepared by the Corresponding Secretary and read by the Secretary to the meeting.

Voted. That the President appoint delegates to, and that the Recording Secretary inform Mr John F. Ayers, Secy. that it is the intention of the Sharon Historical Society to be represented at the meeting at Hyde Park April 19 1907 of the Bay State Historical League.

Mr Cutter sang several selections during the evening all of which were well received and heartily applauded.

Mr George Kempton read an account of the first Tea Party on Nantucket

John G Phillips addressed the meeting on the sources of Sharon Town History

President E W Hewins recalled <sup>to</sup> the memory, an organization which was called the Sharon Lyceum, and read several subjects debated by them in the forties.

Mr Tappan spoke of the importance of making abstracts from the wills and administrations of Sharon people from the Probate records to be copied and preserved by the Society for ready reference

The Recording Secretary exhibited several books of record, and the Deborah Sampson Cantern and made a few remarks which was followed by the pouring of the tea under the matronship of Mrs Dora Welch and her young assistants

The meeting closed with singing "Auld Lang Syne" Mr Cutler leading at the Piano.

George W. Whittmore  
R.S.

Sharon April 25 1907.

The quarterly meeting of the Sharon Historical Society was held at the Town Hall at 8 o'clock P.M.

The President called the meeting to order and making a few remarks thanking<sup>ed</sup> the members for the support given him by the Society during the past year.

Singing "Speed the Republic"

Records read and declared approved.

Voted. To admit to membership the following persons duly approved by the Directors.

William Albrecht.	Ruth D. Fiske
Mary Josephine Fuller.	Geo. A. Herath
Edmund W. Noyes	Florence E. Noyes
Geo. Chas. A. Perry	

Heard report of the Treasurer and the Auditor

Voted. To accept their reports.

The following resolution was presented by John G. Phillips seconded by William L. Haskel with appropriate remarks.

Resolved - That the Society records with sorrow the recent deaths of three of its members

Mr Jay Gould of Norwood St. at the age of 50 Years.

Mr Horace S. Shepard of Ames St at the age of 74 years and Mr William F. Hall Sylvan Road at the age of 55 Years.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Voted By a unanimous vote to amend Article 12 of the By Laws. So as to read as follows: The Society shall hold meetings on the last Friday of January, April and October and the Friday in Old Home Week.

The Committee on nominations reported, ~~as follows~~ — and upon ballot the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President  
Edmund Hawes Talbot.

Vice Presidents  
Solomon Talbot  
William Rufus Mann  
Daniel Webster Petter

Recording Secretary  
George Hamilton Whittmore

Corresponding Secretary  
Eugene Tappan

Treasurer  
Eliza L. White

Auditor  
John A. Bowman

Custodian  
Loring W. Monk.

Directors  
Edmund H. Kewins      George Kempton  
Timothy P. Quinn      Eliza J. Kempton  
Amanda W. Eddy.

Singing. Hymns.

George Kempton Precentor

Singing "God Save the Thirteen States."

Prof. Marshall L. Perrin of Somerville  
made the address of the evening

"John Smith and the Jamestown Settlement"

Social hour and refreshments  
under the direction of Mrs M. D. Wright.

Singing of Auld Auld Syne

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
Norfolk S.S.

Then personally appeared before me  
George W. Whittemore, elected  
Recording Secretary of the Sharon  
Historical Society and made oath  
to faithfully perform the duties of  
said office

Eugene Tappan  
Justice of the Peace

Sharon Aug 2. 1907  
 The quarterly meeting of the Sharon  
 Historical Society was held at the  
 Town Hall at 8 o'clock P. M.

President Edmund W. Talbot  
 called the meeting to order and  
 the records of the last meeting  
 were read and declared approved.

The following persons, who had  
 been approved for membership  
 by the Directors were elected  
 members of the Society—

Nathan B. Barton  
 Lillian F. Barton  
 Leonard Lorenzo Billings  
 William W. Partridge  
 Esther Bateman  
 George A. Huntington  
 Charles A. Drew.

The following resolution offered by  
 Eugene Tappan and seconded by  
 the Secretary was unanimously  
 voted



Resolved- That the Sharon Historical Society record with sorrow the death on July 27<sup>th</sup> of the Hon. Robert T. Swan of Boston, Commissioner of Public Records, whose application for membership in this Society had been approved by the Directors and was to have been acted upon at this meeting.

Address of the evening was made by the Hon John W. Weeks member of Congress from this district

Subject John Paul Jones-

The music was by Miss Florence Amy Nickerson and Miss Edw D'Alavie

The following resolution offered by Dr George A. Dennett was voted.

For his interesting and able address, that a vote of thanks be extended to the Hon John W. Weeks and the same to Miss Nickerson and Miss D'Alavie for the pleasant entertainment of the evening-  
 Voted. That this vote be spread upon the records of the Historical Society-

The social hour and reception  
to the distinguished speaker of  
the evening followed.

Attest. Geo. W. Whittmore  
R.S.

Sharon October 25 1907  
 The Quarterly meeting of the  
 Sharon Historical Society was  
 held at the Town Hall, Friday  
 Evening, at 8 o'clock.

In the absence of President  
 Edmund W. Talbot, Edmund W.  
 Kewins was called upon to preside.

Mr William R. Lane, assisted by  
 Miss Marion Lane at the piano  
 conducted the singing being  
 joined by the audience as a chorus.  
 "Angel of Peace"

The Records were read and declared  
 approved.

The following persons approved for  
 membership by the Directors  
 John Henry Corl. Mrs Janet Allison Corl  
 Edgar Everett Fay. Mrs Olivia Tracy Fay  
 Mrs Annie Bristol Maginess  
 Oscar J. Tomlinson Mrs Oscar J. Tomlinson  
 Mrs May E. York.

Voted. That the list as named by the  
 President be admitted to membership.

Mr-Timothy F. Quinn offered the following Resolution, which was seconded by Mr Eugene Tappan who in a brief speech spoke feelingly of the departed, both of whom have passed away in the summer of their lives, also noting their interest manifested in the Society

Resolved: The Historical Society records with sorrow the recent death of two members, Mrs Joanna Johnson, and Mrs Lucy Williams Dismore. In spite of sickness and cares they were interested members, and the Society will miss their presence and cheerfulness

Voted. Unanimously.

Piano Solo.

Miss Marion Lane.

Mr Lane then conducted the Chorus  
"The Old Oaken Bucket."

The usual compliments being offered to both, by the Ushers on duty for the evening, which were graciously received.

Mrs Sara A. Hamlin was then introduced and for more than an hour delighted the audience with her interesting lecture on Oliver Wendell Holmes, the Poet of Boston.

Mr Lane then sang

and upon encore again delighted the meeting by singing the "Lost Chord"

Mr George Rempton offered the following which was seconded by Mr Tappan in a happy vein, complimenting the new organization, the "Sharon Choral Society" expressing the hope that the two societies may mutually encourage each other in the years that are to come.

Voted. That the thanks of the Sharon Historical Society be and are hereby tendered to Mrs Sara A. Hamlin for the very interesting lecture delivered, also to Mr Lane and daughter for the music rendered by them, and to the many members of the Choral Society present and joining with us on this very enjoyable occasion.

The Social hour followed and the pouring of Tea and other refreshments under the direction of Mrs Gork and Mrs Maginess with their young lady assistants

The meeting all joined in singing the Battle Hymn of the Republic. "Glory Hallelujah"

Meeting dissolved

Attest George W. Whittmore  
Recording Secretary.

Sharon January 20 1908  
 Directors' meeting at house of  
 Eugene Tappan, at 8 o'clock P.M.  
 All the Directors were present except  
 the President.

Col. Edmund W. Hewins  
 was chosen President pro. Tem.  
 The Treasurer reported \$20.09 on  
 hand.

Mr Quinn reported that the property  
 of the Society had been insured in the  
 sum of \$500.

John G Phillips, the Editor,  
 by invitation gave a full and inter-  
 esting account of a very accurate copy  
 of Rev Philip Curtis' diary. The cost  
 of making the necessary index and  
 printing 750 copies (6. pages) would  
 be \$200.

After a full discussion it was  
 voted to print the same, to be delivered  
 April 15<sup>th</sup> and bill presented June 1. 1908

Voted. To approve the name of Mrs  
 Mary Elizabeth Watson of Brockton  
 for membership.

The following bills were approved for payment

Mrs F. W. Brown.	Type writing	\$ 36.20
A. W. Burkett Co	Insurance	2.00
A. E. Genealogical & Historical Registers		3.00
Jenny P. Snow.	Flowers	2.00
H. M. Hight	Programs for Jan	<u>10.25</u>
		\$ 53.45

Mr Lunn reported every arrangement had been made for the Lafayette Meeting for Jan 31<sup>st</sup>.

Resolved. That Col E. H. Weirios offer resolutions in memory of departed members to be seconded by George Remington.

Mr Lunn was made a committee to secure a drop light at the speakers desk

Resolved. That the Directors ask the Rev Almon J. Dyer to address the Society at the April meeting on William Cullen Bryant and his native town of Cummington  
Other arrangements having been made by the President.



Resolved. That George Kempton a Committee to suggest the names of candidates for the offices of Treasurer ~~and Custodian~~ to the Committee on nominations which will be appointed at the next meeting of the Society

Resolved. That the scrap book be bound.

Adjourned

George H. Whittmore  
R. S.

Sharon June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1908  
 The Sharon Historical Society met  
 at the Town Hall at 8 o'clock  
 P.M.

Edmund W. Talbot President  
 in the Chair.

The meeting was opened  
 by music.

Mrs Albert Habistroh at the Piano  
 Mr Arthur L. Haberstroh 'cello.

The records were read and declar-  
 ed approved.

Mrs Mary E. Watson of Brockton  
 was unanimously voted a member.

The following resolution was passed  
 unanimously. being seconded by  
 John G. Phillips with remarks on  
 A. G. Kollock and George Rempton  
 on E. O. Fuller and George P. Lawrence

Resolved. That the Sharon Historical  
 Society records with grief the death of  
 three members

Erastus O. Fuller who died  
October 25 1907 Aged 80 years

George Peter Lawrence who died  
December 15 1907 Aged 71 years

Arthur Cornelius Kollock who died Jan 15  
1908 Aged 71 years

By their long and well spent lives they  
have endeared themselves to their  
friends and rendered their loss most  
sensible

Ed E N Hewins offered the following  
which was carried unanimously

Resolved, That the Sharon Historical  
Society, assembled at this quarterly meeting  
and all friends present, heartily join in  
wishing Mr Eugene Tappan a speedy  
recovery to health.

The address was then given by  
Rev William H Morrison of Docketon  
Lafayette, The friend of Washington

A unanimous vote of thanks was  
tendered to the speaker and to  
the musicians for their pleasing  
and instructive services of the evening

Social hour followed with the  
service of coffee and refreshments  
under the direction of Mrs. Albrecht  
of Glendale Road, assisted by several  
young ladies in french costume

George W. Whittemore  
R.P.

Sharon April 24 1908  
 The Annual meeting of the Society  
 was held at 8 o'clock P.M.  
 in the Town Hall.

President Edmund W. Talbot in the  
 Chair.

Music was furnished by the  
 Adelphi Quartette of Boston.

Records of the last meeting read  
 and declared approved.

Voted. To admit the following new  
 members—

Robert L. Richardson	Sharon
Jennie Allen Richardson	"
Charles M. Conant	"
Edith M. Conant	"
Charles W. Leonard	Boston
George F. Leonard	"
William A. Hawes	Canton
Sarah A. Hawes	"
Charles E. Brymer	Sharon
Alice L. Brymer	"
George A. Souther	"
Sarah I. Souther	"

The following resolution was unanimously adopted, remarks being made by Col. E. W. Hewins and President E. W. Talbot.

Resolved- That the Society records with grief the death of two of its members.

Mr John A. Bowman died Feb'y 9<sup>th</sup> 1908 Aged 71 years.

Mr James E. Leach died Feb'y 25 1908 aged 56 years.

Mr Bowman was a man of activities long and favorably known. He held at his death the office of Auditor of the Society.

Mr Leach abounded in generosity and was ever ready to help. He was especially helpful in securing to the Society a distinguished Speaker for one of our meetings.

The following substitute for by-law 17 was moved and by a vote 44 to 4. was adopted.

Each member shall pay an annual due of one dollar at the April meeting of the Society, or upon demand thereafter by the Treasurer. But new members who pay a membership fee at the April meeting will not be required to pay an annual due until the following year.

Voted. To take up the matter of delinquents at an adjourned meeting to be held at Lower Town Hall May 25<sup>th</sup> 1908 at 8. P.M.

Voted. That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr John G Phillips for his faithful and efficient work in preparing the April publication for the Society.

Voted. To extend the thanks of the Society to Miss Martha L. Loomis for the valuable gift the "Flora of Sharon."

The address was then made by the Rev. Dr Archibald M<sup>c</sup> Cullagh of Worcester, which was a very interesting lecture on Our tropical possessions and neighbors -

Mr Charles M. Couant offered a resolution thanking the Speaker and the singers which was unanimously adopted.

Voted. To adjourn to meet in the Lower Town Hall on Monday May 25 1908 at 8 o'clock P.M.

Attest George W. Whittemore  
Recording Secretary.

Officers chosen for the ensuing year

President	Edmund W. Talbot
Vice President	Solomon Talbot
"	William R. Mann.
"	D. Webster Pettee.
Recording Secy	George W. Whittemore
Corresponding "	Eugene Tappan
Treasurer	Thomas S. Prouty
Custodian	George Kempton.
Auditor	W. Winthrop Capen

Directors

Eugene Tappan	
Edmund W. Talbot	Edmund W. Keewis
Timothy F. Quinn	Thomas S. Prouty
George W. Whittemore	George Kempton
Eliza J. Kempton	Amanda W. Eddy -

N.B.

See page 149 - for adjourned meeting.



## Directors' Meetings.

Sharon, Sept. 19, 1903.

Meeting of the Directors duly called and held at the house of the President, John G. Phillips. A quorum present.

The recording secretary being absent on town business, Eugene Tappan was chosen secretary pro tem.

The treasurer reported that he had collected \$27.00, membership fees.

The following bills were approved:—

State House fee for charter,	\$5.00
M. M. Night, postal notices,	2.00
Fairbanks, record book	1.50

Voted, To print 500 letter heads with envelopes.

Voted, To frame the charter.

Eugene Tappan was authorized to receive applications for membership.

Voted, That the President provide for the literary exercise at the regular meetings of the Society.

Voted, That Mr. Tappan provide for social features at the coming October meeting.

Adjourned.

Eugene Tappan,  
Secretary pro tem.

Sharon Oct 15 1903

At a meeting of the Directors duly called and held at the house of the President John G. Phillips a quorum being present the meeting was called to order by the President.

Records of the last meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer made report that 60 members had paid the admission fee and that there was a balance of cash on hand of \$49.50

Voted. To accept the bond of the Treasurer.

Voted. That said bond be placed in the hands of the Custodian.

Voted - That the certification of the Secretary to the Treasurer, of the approval of the Board of Directors of all bills be his authority for the payment thereof.

Voted. That the bill of the Town of Sharon for use of hall be laid on the table.

The following bills were read and approved by the Board—

Harry M. Wight.	Printing	3.75
Eugene Tappan	Stamps	1.00
J. L. Fairbanks & Co.	Blank Book.	.50
Eugene Tappan	Framing Charter	1.50
E. S. Richards Co.	Printing	1.25
Field & Cowles	Bond Premium	3.00
A. D. Colburn	Treasurers Book.	1.25

Heard report of Cor. Secretary in matter of the programme of the first quarterly meeting of the Society to be held Thursday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> inst.

Voted. That when we adjourn it be to meet at the Town Hall on Thursday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.45 o'clock P. M.

Voted. That the Cor. Secy be a committee to solicit brief contributions from members of the Society, of a literary character and that he may employ such assistants as he may deem necessary for the purpose

Adjourned

George W. Whittemore  
Secretary.

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The following names were presented for membership and were duly approved by the Directors.

George Kempton  
 Eliza J. Kempton  
 Clara C. Curtis  
 Eliza L. White  
 Lillias C. Davenport.  
 James A. Pringle

Voted, That the President and Secretaries be a committee to prepare for publication the annual proceedings of the Society and report progress within three months from this date,

George W. Whittmore  
 Secretary.

Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 1903

The adjourned meeting of the Directors was held previous to the meeting of the Society.

Voted. To present the names of Silas A Stone John W. Mackintosh and Mattie W. Grew for membership=

Voted. That it is the sense of the Directors that Vice Pres. D. W. Petter shall act as President of the Society

during the absence of our President abroad.

George W. Wittermore  
Rec. Secy

Sharon January 13 1904  
At a meeting of the Directors duly called and held at the house of the Acting President D. W. Petter a quorum being present the meeting was called to order and the records of the last meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance on hand in the treasury of \$68.75

Voted. To accept the report.  
The following bills were read and approved.

Warry W. Wight Printing	\$1.25
J. L. Fairbanks & Co Stationery	2.00
E. G. Richards Co. Printing notices	1.90
Eugene Tappan Postage	1.00
" " Cash paid for wreath	3.00

Certified to Treasurer for payment

The following list of persons soliciting membership were unanimously approved.

Ezra Otis Swift. Walter H. Delano.  
 Gertrude W. Delano. G. Ashley Hazard  
 W. Frank Leonard. Mary F. Leonard  
 Fred L. Kolbrook. Mary F. Kolbrook  
 Elizabeth L. Quinn. Herbert F. Nelson  
 Frederick V. Brittain. Louis F. Gates  
 William L. Haskell. Agnes P. Kustel  
 W. Perry Fiske

Voted. That Mr and Mrs Quinn, Mrs Tuck,  
 Miss Tuck and Mr Tappan be a  
 Committee to arrange the social hour  
 and decorate the hall for the January  
 meeting of the Society.

Voted. That the Committee on printing  
 be continued.

Voted. To take up the matter of vacancy  
 in the Board, caused by the death of Mrs  
 Alice W. Drake.

Voted. That that the vacancy be filled by  
 nomination  
 Mrs Amanda W. Eddy was nominated  
 and unanimously elected.

Voted. That a Committee of one be chosen to present a resolution to the meeting of the Society on the death of Mrs A. W. Drake, and Mr Eugene Tappan was selected for that duty, he to delegate his authority if need be.

Voted. That the Recording Secretary be instructed to communicate with Mr Solomon Talbot, the desire of the Directors, that he prepare a paper on the old cellars of Sharon, to be read at the July meeting of the Society.

Voted, That William R. Mann be invited to prepare a historical paper for the April meeting, and that the Secretary inform him of the wish of the Directors to that effect.)

Voted. That the October meeting of the Society be called the Old Colonial Meeting, in memory of the journey of Madame Knight to Sharon in October 1704.

Voted. That the Custodian be requested to prepare a catalogue of such articles belonging to the Society as may come into his hands.

Voted. That when we adjourn it be to meet five minutes previous to the opening of the quarterly meeting of the Society on Jan'y 28 1904.

Adjourned  
Geo. H. Whittmore  
Recording Sec'y



Sharon March 23 1904

A meeting of Directors was duly called and held at the house of D. W. Pettee President this evening.

Six directors being present. The records of our last meeting were read and approved.

Voted. That a committee of three be appointed to co-operate with the Committee of the Canton Historical Society to arrange for the Patriots Day walk in Sharon under the auspices of the latter Society.

Loring W. Monk.

Mrs Eliza L. White and Chas S. Curtis were named for said Committee.

Mrs Marie Hilda Brittain

Mrs Mary Adelia Fiske

Edmund D. Hewins

Mrs Ora A. Hewins

Guild A. Copeland

Mrs Anna W. Shepard

Benjamin S. Bolles

Willis Thompson

Frank P. Long

Mrs Carrie A. Long

(Mrs Lydia G. Richards (Stoughton))

Rev Almon J. Dyer  
 Mrs Lizzie J. L. Dyer  
 Otis J. Tolman

Voted that a Committee of five be appointed to prepare for the social hour at the next quarterly meeting April 28<sup>th</sup> 1904

Eugene Pappan      Arthur P. Fiske  
 Mary A. Fiske      Velina J. Myrick  
 Lizzie W. Leonard were chosen

Voted. That the notices to be sent to members for the next quarterly meeting contain the following amendments to the By-Laws to be voted upon at the meeting.

To strike out the first sentence of Article 12 of the By Laws concerning dates of meetings of the Society, and insert the following, viz:  
 Regular meetings of the Society shall be held on the last Thursday of January, the last Thursday of April, the Thursday in Old Home Week and the last Thursday in October in each year.

Also to add the word Auditor to the list of officers to be chosen in Section 3 of said By Laws

Voted. That the President appoint an Auditor to act until the next annual meeting. April 28 1904

Loring W. Monk was appointed.

Voted. To adjourn to meet at the Town Hall at 7.15 o'clock P.M. April 28<sup>th</sup> 1904.

George W. Whittemore  
Recording Secy

An adjourned meeting of the Directors was held in the Lower Town Hall Thursday April 28 at 7.45 o'clock P.M.

Voted. To present the names of the following persons for election as members to the meeting to be held this evening.

George P. Lawrence	W. R. Waldemar Krentz
Bernard L. Paine	Frank W. Trafton
Bertha M. Campbell	George B. Fowler
Bernice W. Fowler	Margaret D. Hight
Alfred C. Sampson	Mary J. Safford

Adjourned to meet at D. W. Petter's house Thursday evening May 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock.

Geo. W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon May 12 A.D. 1904  
 The Board of Directors met as by  
 adjournment at the house of Vice  
 President W. W. Pettee at 7.45 o'clock  
 P.M. Called to order and the records  
 read and approved.

Bills were presented as follows:

H. M. Hight	Printing Vol 1-	45.00
	Potals Notices	4.75
E. G. Richards Co	" "	6.00
Pettee & Colburn	Supplies	2.15
W. A. Shepard	Envelopes	.85
E. Tappan	Cash Expenses	<u>3.25</u>
		62.00

Voted. To approve and pay-

Persons proposed for membership

Percy R. Middleton	Dora Middleton
Arthur A. Bailey	Minnie C. Bailey
John F. White	Ralph L. Pollard.

Voted. To approve the same.

Voted. To appoint sub-committees  
 for Old Home Week meeting of  
 the Society - Thursday July 28. 1904

Outing Committee  
 Charles S. Curtis  
 A. Alden Carpenter  
 Warren Johnson

Afternoon Committee of Decoration  
 of Lower Hall for quarterly meeting.

Robie G. Frye  
 George B. Fowler  
 Bernice W. Fowler  
 Nora M. Leonard  
 Mattie H. Green.

Committee on Public Meeting  
 Town Hall.

Eugene Tappan  
 Timothy F. Quinn  
 H. Webster Patton

Voted. That the Secretary communicate  
 with Rev. Anson Titus of Somerville  
 inviting him to address the Society at  
 its quarterly meeting in October next.

Voted. That President John G. Phillips  
 prepare an address for delivery at the  
 January meeting, and that the Secretary  
 inform him of the wish of the Directors.

Voted. That the following members  
be invited to prepare papers on the  
following subjects to be read to the  
society at future meetings.

Dr. Walter A. Griffin,  
Interesting walks and drives in Sharon.

Miss Dora W. Leonard,  
Stoughton Law Institute.  
Miss Abbie C. Billings,  
The Billings family in Sharon.

Edmund H. Hewins,  
The Hewins family in Sharon.

Mrs Susie L. Moody,  
The descendants of Deborah Sampson,  
Life of Rev. Philip Curtis.

Charles S. Curtis  
Streets and their names, and reasons for  
naming the same,

William R. Mann.  
The Old Bay Road.

Dr Loring W. Puffer.  
Gobbs Tavern.  
Miss Amelia M. Clifton

Edmund Quincy,  
Solomon Talbot

The Flora of Sharon  
Prof. George W. Field

Hunting Game in Sharon

Warren Johnson

Large Trees in Sharon

Eugene Tappan

Names of Hills, Brooks and Localities  
of the Town Sharon

George W. Whittemore

Moved. To adjourn at call of the  
President

Attest George W. Whittemore  
Recording Secretary.

Sharon June 6 1904

At a duly called meeting held at the house of Mr D. W. Petter on the date above written and seven of the Directors present. Called to order by the President. The records of the last meeting read and approved.

The following persons were approved for membership

Alvin D. Packard

John O'Brien

Benjamin Welch

Sora M. Welch

Resolved. That the proposed afternoon and evening meetings in Old Home Week be consolidated and one meeting be held in the evening.

Resolved. That the Committee chosen to procure an Orator also hire a quartette of instrumental musicians for the occasion and that they also arrange a programme for the entire celebration of the day and evening and act as subscription committee for the necessary funds.



At a meeting of the Directors Aug 4 1904  
the following persons were approved  
for membership

Ella F. Boehm	Amanda Lussman
Harriet A. Johnson	Charles H. Kittridge
Elizabeth F. Kittridge	Marcus E. Lincoln

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon Aug 22<sup>d</sup> 1904  
At a duly called meeting of the  
Directors held at the house of  
D W. Petter the meeting was called  
to order by the President and the  
Records were read and approved

The Committee having in charge  
the finances of the last quarterly  
meeting reported the expense to be  
\$25.60 which was fully paid by  
subscriptions.

Voted To accept the report.

Voted. To approve for membership  
Mrs Mary Barnes and Mrs Eliza B. Mills

Voted. To approve for payment the following bills

W. W. Wight	Printing	\$ 7.00
J. L. Fairbanks	Paper ruling	.75
C. F. Bryant	Stamped Envelopes	4.56

Voted. To renew the Treasurers Bond.

Voted. To hold the next quarterly meeting in the Upper Town Hall.

Voted- That C. C. Stearns and C. S. Curtis be a committee to prepare a musical programme for the meeting.

Voted. That the Secretaries have charge of the printing of the programme for our next quarterly meeting.

Voted That the R. S. extend the thanks of the Directors to Mr Fred Endicott for his offer of a paper on Massapoeg Pond and invite him to read the same at the January meeting of the Society.

Voted. That Mr Tappan prepare an address of welcome and deliver the same to our President John G. Phillips who will be with us at our next quarterly meeting.

Voted. That the Secretaries be authorized to arrange for some recognition of the birth day of our oldest member Mr Solomon Talbot. who will <sup>be</sup> 90 years of age. September 22<sup>d</sup> 1904.

Voted. That the Scrap book be bound.

Voted. To adjourn

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon Oct 26 1904

At a duly called meeting of the Directors of the Sharon Historical Society held at the house of the President John G. Phillips at 8 o'clock P.M. a quorum being present the meeting was called to order by the President.

Records read and approved!

Bills as follows were approved for payment.

Oliver Ditson & Co. Music	\$1.89
F. J. Barnard & Co. Binding	2.00
H. A. Shepard & Co. Envelopes	.50
E. F. Bryant. Stamped Envs.	3.36
	<u>\$ 7.75</u>

Persons approved for membership

Mrs Laura G Sage.	Mr H. F. Maxwell
" A. W. Somers	Rev. A. W. Somers
" F. W. Mansfield	Mr F. W. Mansfield
Miss Florence Dear	Mr A. S. Kisson
" Gertrude M. Cobb	Mr H. B. Holmes
" & Selma Richards	Gertrude F. Richards

Mr Loring W. Monk and Eugene Tappan  
were appointed a Committee to take  
into consideration the care of the papers,  
and the purchase of a safe and  
report at a subsequent meeting  
of the Directors

Voted. To subscribe for one year, for  
the Register of the New England  
Historical Society.

George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon November 28 1904  
 A duly called meeting was held  
 this evening at the House of the  
 President. John G. Phillips.

The President opened the meeting  
 at about 8.15 o'clock.

Reading of the records of the last  
 called and intervening meeting.

Records declared approved.

The Treasurer made a verbal  
 report of the condition of the  
 Treasury.

The Committee appointed to take  
 into consideration the safety of  
 the records and papers of the society  
 reported through Mr Pappan.

Voted. To accept and adopt the report,

Voted. That that the Committee be and  
 is authorized to purchase 2 large cases  
 and four metal filing cases for the  
 safe deposit of such valuable books and  
 documents that are the property of the Soc.

Voted. That Col. Edmund H. Harris be a committee to procure such volumes of statistical matter, that by law are distributed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to Historical Societies.

Voted. That the next quarterly meeting be called the Pole plain meeting.

Mrs Amanda M. Eddy was appointed a Committee on decoration of the hall.

Voted. That Mr. E. Tappan be a Committee on refreshments with full powers.

Voted. That the President and Secretaries provide for the compilation and publication of Volume No 2 Publications of the Sharon Historical Soc.

Voted. The Secretary communicate to Mr A. W. Somers the desire of the directors that he prepare his description of the locality and historical associations of the Robbers Cave. and other traditions of Sharon.

Miss Carrie Perkins was approved  
for membership—

The following bills were approved  
and ordered paid by the Treasurer.

J. L. Airbanks & Co.	
Ruled Paper	\$ 3.35
A. E. W. L. Society.	
Subscription for 1 Year. Register	3.00
H. W. Wright	
Printing circulars for quarterly meeting	6.00
Eugene Tappan	
Paid Anson Titus for lectures and personal expense	6.70
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	\$ 19.05

Meeting was dissolved to assemble  
at call of the President.

Attest George H. Whittemore  
Secretary.



Sharon July 26 1905  
The Directors being at the Lower  
Town Hall previous to the calling  
to order of the regular quarterly  
Meeting the following persons were  
approved for membership -

Miss Carrie Perkins  
James C. Leach  
Mrs Carrie G. Sampson  
" Sarah G. Burbank  
Miss Mary A. Hall  
" Marion A. Davenport  
Mrs Catherine A. Shedd.

Geo. W. Wuttemore  
R.S.

Sharon Feb 13 1905  
 A meeting of the Directors was held at the Town Clerks Office at 8 o'clock P.M. a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by the President.

Records read and approved.  
 The name of Mrs Currie M. Hall was proposed and on vote Mrs Hall was approved for membership in the Society.

Voted. That the thanks of the Directors be extended to Mr Charles E Hall for the gift of wall paper from the Capen House.

Bills read and approved

Chas F Bryant. \$ 3.61

H. W. Hight 4.75

Arthur W. Hubbard \$ 8.80

Voted That a Committee of five be appointed to serve as an Cutting Committee for the ensuing year.

Edmund K. Hewins Ch<sup>m</sup>

A. Alden Carpenter

Charles S Curtis

Benjamin Reynolds

Henry Talbot.

were appointed

Voted - That a Committee be appointed  
 by the President to make arrangements  
 for the April meeting - and  
 Mr Eugene Tappan  
 Miss Emma A. Baker  
 Mrs Ida A. Tuck  
 were appointed.

Voted. That the President be a  
 Committee to arrange for the Old  
 Home week meeting.

Voted. That the thanks of the Directors  
 be extended to the President for  
 the gift of Old Lottery tickets

Voted to adjourn

Attest Geo. W. Whittemore  
 R. S.

Sharon April 17 1905  
 The Directors met at the house of  
 John G Phillips. a quorum being present  
 the meeting was called to order by  
 the President.

The records of the last meeting  
 were read and approved.

Persons approved for membership

F. Adelaide Talbot

A. J. Smith

Lucy W. Dinsmore

Minnie Bushee Thompson

Crosby Tappan

C. Augustus Hixson

Mary L. Hixson.

Jean S. Copeland.

Bills approved as follows-

Eugene Tappan.	\$ 12.00
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James S. Conant Co.	1.00
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C. F. Bryant	4.48
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Heard the report of the Committee on  
 Entertainment for the annual meeting.

Mr Lonig W. Monk was appointed to  
 distribute the publication to the members at  
 the annual meeting.

Voted. That the Treasurer appoint a Collector after the annual meeting, at a commission of 10 percent to collect all dues unpaid at said annual meeting.

George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon May 4<sup>th</sup> 1905

The President having called a meeting of the Directors, seven men and one woman appeared at the house of Mr John Phillips and at about 8 o'clock were called to order and the records were read and approved.

The first business was the presentation of new members for approval.

Emer B. Shaw. Maud E. Shaw and Jennie P. Snow were unanimously voted approved for membership in the Society.

Voted. That we accept and adopt the proposition of W. A. Dutterfield Bookseller 59 Bromfield St Boston.

The agreement is that he be the sole agent for the sale of the Deborah Sampson re-print

issued by the Sharon Historical Society  
April 1905. Price 75 cents per volume

Mr Butterfield to receive 25% on his sales and to account monthly to the Treasurer for all sales made.

Heard a report supplementary by Mr Tappan as to the disposal of the volume No 2 to the members and also of the reception up to date of the re-print volume on sale by the Society.

Treasurer reported the financial showing to date.

The President made a report of progress on the Old Home Week meeting and asked to be relieved from the Chairmanship of the Committee.

Voted. That he appoint a Committee of three to continue in his stead and said Committee when appointed have power to appoint sub-Committees for the several features of the next quarterly meeting

It was suggested that we have two preliminary rambles before the Committee on Outings make arrangements for the general duty under their charge.

Voted. That Eugene Tappan take charge on May 13<sup>th</sup> Saturday Afternoon.

Ramble down N. Main St. Starting at the Central Square at 3.30 o'clock P.M. and returning on Electric Car which reaches Central Sq at about 5.20 P.M.

Voted. That George W. Whittemore take charge on May 27<sup>th</sup> Saturday Afternoon. Ramble down Depot St to Alden Carpenters house and return 3.30 to 5.30 o'clock P.M.

Approved bills and filed the same with the Treasurer.

Harry W. Wight  
F. J. Barnard & Co.

Voted To adjourn on call of the President

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon, May 29, 1905.

Meeting of the Directors, under call of the President, at his house, at 8 o'clock p.m. Present, Messrs Phillips, Colburn, Hewins, Monk and Tappan and Miss Baker.

The following persons were approved for membership, - Henry F. Talbot of Waterville, Kansas, Arthur C. Kollock of the New England National Bank, Boston, and Thomas W. Bradshaw of Sharon.

The gift was received from Mrs. Martha Hewins of clippings from old newspapers of Thanksgiving proclamations, one by Gov. Hancock in 1783 at the end of the war of the revolution, and the other by Gov. Andrew at the end of the civil war; also clipping concerning Rev. Philip Curtis.

Voted that the communications now on hand to the Scrap Book be bound as volume 2.

The Treasurer made an informal report. The amount on hand is somewhat over \$21.00

Bill of A. Presby Colburn \$4.40, being his 10% commission for collections, was approved.

Col. Hewins reported progress on preparation for the meeting of the Society in Old Howe week, and also on the outings conducted by the Society.

Voted to have rambles on the 2<sup>d</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of June in the afternoon. The first on June 10 to be by electric car to Cobb's Corner, and thence by a walk along Bay St. and Belcher St to Devil's bridge & home by Glendale Road.



The second ramble on June 24, electric car to  
 Maskewicent st.; then a walk along that street,  
 Richards st & Canton st. to the saw mill on North  
 Main st. & home by electric car.

Adjourned.

Eugene Tappan.

Secretary pro tem.

Sharon July 24 1905

Meeting of the Directors under call of the  
 President held at the house of Miss Baker

Present The Pres. Secretaries. Mrs Eddy  
 and Miss Baker, Person approved for  
 membership Julia F. Tidd,  
 Mary F. Giberson Martha W. Hewins  
 Eva C. Woodbridge Cynthia Bates

Voted. That the Directors may approve of  
 persons for membership prior to the regular  
 meeting of August 3<sup>d</sup> to be voted for at  
 said meeting. Bills to the amount of 9.95  
 approved for payment. Made suggestions  
 as to the conduct of the meeting to be held  
 August 3<sup>d</sup>.

Adjourned

Geo. W. Whittemore  
 R. S.

Aug 17 1905 Meeting at Miss Baker's  
 Seven Directors present.  
 President in the Chair.

John G. Phillips chosen Tem. Sec'y

Voted. To recommend for membership  
 Thomas S. Prouty.

Voted. To pay premium on Bond of  
 Treasurer (\$3) for another year.

Voted. To subscribe and pay \$3. for the  
 N. E. His. Gen. Register for one year.

Voted. To enclose Dec<sup>t</sup> of Independence  
 in glass frame.

Voted. To request Miss May Felt to prepare  
 an article on the above paper. limited to  
 15 minutes.

Voted. To adopt schedule of rambles  
 as prepared by the Cor. Sec'y & print  
 300 copies for distribution

Voted. That Mr Phillips article on the naming of  
 Sharon be read entire at the October meeting

Voted. That the President appoint a Com of three to arrange for the October meeting and a Com of three to arrange for the Jan'y meeting

Voted. To approve the following bills

H. W. Flight		\$7.00
Eugene Tappan	.70 + .30 =	1.00

Meeting adjourned  
John G. Phillips  
Treas. Sec.

Atm copy Attest Geo. W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon, October 25, 1905.

Meeting of the Directors. A quorum present.  
Eugene Tappan was chosen temporary secretary.

The following persons were approved for membership, —  
Eben N. Hewins, Louisa Hewins, both of Boston, Lillian C. George,  
Fred D. Stanley, Isabelle H. Stanley, B. Frank Rhodes & Bessie F. Rhodes.

Approved the following bills, Eugene Tappan \$3.50  
(paid J. B. Cabot & Bro for framing Declaration) and \$2.85 (paid for stamped envelopes).

Voted to bind volume 3 of the Scrap Book.  
Considered matter of collecting over-due fees.

Meeting adjourned. Eugene Tappan,  
Treas. Sec.

Sharon Jan 8 1906

The Directors met at the house of Mrs A. W. Eddy at 8 o'clock P.M. Eight directors present.

Records of last meeting read and approved.

Voted. To approve for payment the following bills

F. J. Barnard & Co	2.00
F. H. Gilson Company	<u>2.50</u>
paid by Eugene Tappan	\$ 4.50
Harry W. Hight	<u>6.75</u>
Total.	\$ 11.25

Voted. To recommend for membership in the society the following persons  
 Nelson L. Martin - Mary E. Martin  
 Robert Tappan - Willis A. Shepherd  
 Alice W. Shepherd      Lousia Jones.

Voted - That the Directors prepare a series of historical outings for 1906, and request all persons interested to give them in writing their suggestions and wishes in the matter, especially as to granting privilege to ramble over private grounds or otherwise as to furnishing entertainment

Voted. That the Secretary and Treasurer be a Committee to revise the list of membership and report their doings at the next meeting of the Directors

Voted. That Col. Edmund K. Hewins and George Kempton be a committee on resolutions to be offered at the quarterly meeting in memory of the late George R. Mann.

Voted. That the Custodian is hereby directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to provide a suitable cupboard for storage of the cups and saucers which have been donated to the Society.

Several suggestions as to the conduct of the affairs of the society were talked over

Voted. To adjourn  
Geo. H. Whittemore  
P.S.

Sharon Mass March 21, 1906  
 Board of Directors met at the house  
 of Mrs A. W. Eddy at 8 o'clock  
 P.M. President H. G. Phillips in the Chair  
 Seven directors in attendance  
 Records of the last stated meeting  
 read and declared approved.

Bills read as follows

W. W. Knight	Notices	5.25
C. F. Bryant	Envelopes	2.80
Eugene Tappan	Cash Expenses	6.06
New Eng. His. & Gen. Soc.	Subscription	3.00
		\$17.11

Voted That the bills be approved for  
 payment and the Recording Sec'y  
 be instructed to approve for payment  
 the fee for admission to the Bay  
 State Historical League when bill is  
 presented.

The Committee chosen at the  
 last meeting to revise the list of member-  
 ship reported.

Voted. To remove the names of George B.  
 Lockwood and George R. Mann  
 the same being deceased

Voted. To remove the names of the following persons who have signified their withdrawal from membership

Charles O. Barnes	Mary E. Barnes
Elizabeth W. Billings	Mary F. Holbrook
Eugene C. Plimpton	Helen L. Plimpton
Annos A. Somers	Mabel Somers.

Voted. That the list of persons as amended by the Treasurer, be given another opportunity to pay, and that the Recording Secretary be instructed to write to each and request payment of the amount due from them, before the publication of the revised list of memberships.

Voted. That the Secretary be requested to add to the list of those removed from membership, any person who may request him to do so.

The following list of persons were presented for recommendation by the Directors

Mrs Mary A. O'Brien	East Foxboro St.
Miss Gertrude G. O'Brien	
Abner H. Bowman	Station St.
Mrs Kate E. Bowman	" "

Mr J. M'E Drake  
 Mrs Maria Upham Drake  
 Miss Dorothy Drake } Upland Rd.

Voted That the persons named  
 be approved for membership.

The Corresponding Secretary read a  
 letter from Mr James M'E. Drake  
 and also presented a list of outings  
 for the season of 1906. (On file)

Voted. That the list be accepted and  
 adopted.

A report on April meeting was  
 presented and discussed by the directors

Voted. That a committee of three be  
 appointed to take charge of the April  
 meeting exercises -

Dr George A. Dennett

Mrs Margaret D. Hight

Miss Winnebel Bowman

were nominated and elected

Voted. That the Upper Town Hall be  
 used, and that the desks for the officers  
 be placed on the floor of the hall



Voted. That the corresponding Secretary be a committee on the printing of the program and also the proper envelopes to enclose in the regular mailing envelopes notifying members of the annual meeting.

Volume III of the publications was outlined by Mr Tappan and report was accepted as of progress.

Voted. That a committee be appointed to co-operate with the Old Stoughton Society, to prepare for the entertainment of the latter on the occasion of their concert in Town Hall during the celebration of Old Home Week.

Voted. That Eugene Tappan be Chairman of said Committee with full powers and the following persons were added to the list

- Miss Harriet C. Billings
- Mr Charles S. Curtis
- Miss Elizabeth Crafton
- Mrs Elizabeth Quinn
- Dr George A. Dennett

Adjourned

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon, May 14, 1906.

Directors' meeting at 8 p. m. in the house of the President, Col. Edmund H. Hewins.  
Present, - Edmund H. Hewins, Eugene Tappan, George Kempton, Eliza J. Kempton, Amanda M. Eddy and Eliza L. White.

In the absence of the recording secretary, Mr. Tappan was chosen secretary pro tem. The records of the last meeting of the directors were read and approved.

The committee to co-operate with the Old Stoughton Musical Society reported progress.

Hervey J. B. Derry and Mrs. Gertrude M. Derry of Billings street were approved for membership.

The following bills were approved, -

Harry M. Hight, Printing 600 Publications No 3,	<sup>44.25</sup>	
600 circulars of annual meeting,	<sup>5.25</sup>	
envelopes for treasurer & 200 ballots -	<sup>1.75</sup>	<sup>1.50</sup>
		\$ 52.75
Charles F. Bryant, postmaster, 300 one-cent envelopes and 250 two-cent stamps	<sup>3.36</sup>	<sup>5.00</sup>
		8.36
Hub Engraving Co, plate of frontispiece in Publications No. 3 and of plan in same	<sup>4.50</sup>	<sup>1.00</sup>
		5.50
Oliver Ditson Co. 20 copies of Keller's American Hymn		1.50
F. H. Gilson Co. plate of music "St. Anne" in circular		1.30
Eugene Tappan, payment to Mr. Downey, Mrs. Downey	<sup>50</sup>	<sup>50</sup>
10 lbs. grandpa's cookies & 100 napkins for "Social half hour"	<sup>1.00</sup>	<sup>1.25</sup>
		2.25

The treasurer was asked to attend to procuring the bond required by the by-laws.

Voted, that the President be the chairman of a committee of three to make preparations for the meeting occurring in Old Howe Week, and that he select the other two members of the committee.

The Treasurer reported that over \$90.00 were in the treasury.

Voted, that Mr. John G. Phillips be appointed to ascertain the date of the annual meeting of the American Historical Association to be held next December in Providence and to secure a representation of the Sharon Society at the meeting.

Voted, that Mr. John G. Phillips be requested to answer the request made by Charles A. Flagg, head cataloguer of American History in the Congressional Library at Washington, for list of manuscripts &c. relating to Sharon local history, to be used in his forthcoming "Guide to Massachusetts Local History".

Voted, that a director's meeting be held on Monday evening, June 11, at Col. Hewins's house.

A proposition was presented of celebrating, on next February 22, the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of George Washington.

Adjourned.

Eugene Tappan,  
Secretary pro tem.

Sharon June 11 1906

Board of Directors met at the  
house of President E H Hewins  
at 8 o'clock P.M.

Present. President Hewins.  
Eugene Tappan, George Kempton  
Timothy F Quinn Amanda W Eddy  
and George W. Whittemore

Records read and approved

President made report of progress  
on Old Home Week celebration

Mr Quinn reported for the Committee  
on Old Slough-ton Musical concert  
that Mr C. S. Curtis, Harriet C Bellings  
and Phoebe A Perry have been appointed  
a sub-committee on the part of the  
musical society to co-operate with the  
Committee of this society

Persons approved for membership

William D. Wheeler Sharon  
Mrs Alice M. Wheeler  
Gilbert Thompson of Washington D.C.

Bills read and approved  
 E Tappan 1,65  
 J L Fairbanks & Co. 1,90  
8 3,55-

Voted. That the President confer with the Officers of the Sharon Club, Center School Association and Sharon Literary and Improvement Society in relation to a joint circular and poster for the Old Home Week celebration.

Voted. That John G. Phillips represent the Society at the celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Old Bridgewater  
 Wednesday June 13 1906.

Voted. That the President communicate with Hon John S. Wise in relation to his <sup>delivering</sup> ~~making~~ an oration in honor of the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of George Washington Feb 22 1907

Voted. To meet ~~Thursday~~ <sup>Friday</sup> July 6 1906  
 at the house of George Kempton at 8 o'clock  
 P.M.

George W. Whittmore  
 R.S.

Sharon July 6 1906  
 Directors meeting held at the  
 house of Mr Kempton.

The President called the meeting to  
 order. Six directors in attendance

The records were read and approved.

The Treasurer made a report on the  
 matter of payment of dues, and it  
 was Voted. That the Treasurer  
 send to each delinquent a bill at  
 once and report results at a future  
 meeting of the directors.

On hand in the Treasury \$30.85

The President reported on various  
 matters especially that of the joint  
 circular, a sample being before  
 the directors.

Several gifts to the Society  
 were exhibited also.

Voted. That the Directors request the Selectmen to have the interior of the Town Hall suitably decorated during Old Home Week, and that the R.S. present this request to the Board at their next meeting.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be extended to Mr Herbert Randall of Hartford Ct. for the valuable gift of a portrait of Roger Sherman.

Voted. That Mr Tappan be a Committee to have the portrait framed.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be extended to Mrs D. A. Cheney of Natick for the gift of <sup>pieces</sup> platters once in the Morse family of this town.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be extended to Mrs Geo Kempton for the gift of Sharon Sketches, drawn by the late Alvin R. Alden.

Voted. That Mr G. Kempton and  
Mr A. A. Carpenter be a Committee  
to make arrangements for transportation  
on the occasion of the outing of  
Friday August 3<sup>d</sup>

Voted. That when we adjourn it be  
to meet at the house of the Treasurer  
Mrs E. L. White at 8 o'clock P.M.,  
Friday July 13. inst.

Adjourned.

Geo. W. Whittemore  
R.S.



Snarow July 13 1906  
 A meeting of the Directors was held at the house of the Treasurer Mrs E. L. White this evening at 8 o'clock.

Six Directors were present.  
 Records read, amended and approved.

Voted. That the President be authorized to have a sufficient number of programs printed at a cost not to exceed fifty dollars.

Voted. That Mr Tappan be added to the Committee in charge of the outing of Friday August 3<sup>d</sup> 1906

Voted. To approve for membership Mrs Charles F. Santorn & Mrs Louise P. Santorn.

Voted. To adjourn to meet Monday July 23<sup>d</sup> at 8 o'clock P.M. at the house of Mrs E. L. White

George W. Whittmore  
 R.S.

Sharon July 23 1906  
 The Board of Directors met as by  
 adjournment at the house of Mrs  
 E. L. White at 8 o'clock P. M.  
 Five directors present.

Records of the last  
 meeting read and approved.

Reports on several matters were heard.

Treasurers bond was presented, approved  
 and ordered to be placed in the hands  
 of the Custodian.

Mrs Kate M. Hall was approved for  
 membership.

Approved the following bills and ordered  
 payment of same.

Field & Cowles	Bond	3.00
Eugene Tappan	Framing picture	4.25
		\$6.25

Adjourned

George W. Whittemore  
 R. S.

Sharon Oct 3 1906

The Directors met at the house of  
Mr J. F. Quinn at 8 o'clock P. M.  
Seven present.

Heard report of the  
President in relation to the meeting  
to be held Feb'y 22<sup>d</sup>. He reporting  
that <sup>copy</sup> Mr John S. Wise had promised  
to be here on that occasion.

Approved for payment the bill for  
Entrance and dues to the Bay  
State Historical League. \$4.00

The O'Brien sisters made offer to  
furnish music for the next meeting  
for the sum of Ten dollars.

Voted That their offer be accepted.

Committees for next meeting were  
appointed as follows.

Our program	Eugene Tappan
" Reception of speaker	J. A. Leach
" refreshments	Mrs E. L. Quinn
" ushering	W. W. Capen

Adjourned. Geo. W. Whittmore R.S.

Sharon November 12 1906  
 The Directors of the Sharon Historical  
 Society met at the house of Mr  
 T. F. Quinn. Eight members present.

Records read, amended and approved.

Voted. To approve for membership -  
 Mrs O. Augusta Cheney.

The Treasurer reported cash on hand  
 \$54.56, also as to members in arrears

Voted. That the Treasurer be authorized  
 to employ a collector, at a compensation  
 of 10 percent on collections.

Approved bills as follows

C. F. Bryant.	\$4.98
Gertrude J. O'Brien	10.00
Harry M. Weight	6.25

Voted. That Mr & Mrs George Rempton  
 and John G. Phillips be the Committee for  
 the January meeting and that Mr.  
 Phillips be invited to make the address  
 Subject. The sources of Sharon history

Voted That the President be Ch<sup>m</sup>  
of the Committee on the February 22<sup>d</sup>  
Meeting, and that Eugene Tappan  
and Mrs Ida A Tuck be the  
other members of the Committee

Adjourned  
George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon, January 25, 1907.

Directors' meeting at the house  
of Mr. George Kempton at 8 p.m. Present,  
Mr. and Mrs. Kempton, Mr. Hewins, Mr. Quinn  
and Mr. Tappan.

Mr. Tappan was chosen recording  
secretary pro tem. The records of the last  
meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Kempton reported that Harry Capen  
had been appointed collector. The Treasurer sent  
word that the collector had collected \$9.00.

The committee on the Washington  
Celebration reported progress.

Mr. Kempton reported that arrangements  
were fully made for the next quarterly meeting.

Approved for membership Dennis O'Leary  
and John Tuck.

The president and two secretaries were appointed a committee to prepare and issue Publications No. 4 of the Society.

The following bills were approved —

Pettee & Colburn, stationery and stamps	\$ 3.38
G. F. Bryant 550 one-ct stamps (brought by E. Jappan)	5.50
G. F. Bryant, envelopes &c. subject & certificate	.96
G. F. Bryant, 100 one-ct stamps subject & certificate	1.00

Considered the proposed plan of outings for the coming season.

Adjourned.

Eugene Jappan.

Secretary pro tem.

Sharon March 12 1907  
 At a duly called meeting of the  
 Directors held at the house of  
 Eugene Tappan on Tuesday  
 March 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock P.M.

President Hewins in the Chair.  
 Present Mrs. Eddy Mrs. White  
 and the two Secretaries the  
 records were read and declared  
 approved

The name of Mrs Josephine Fuller  
 was proposed for membership  
 and approved by unanimous vote.

The Treasurer made a verbal report.

Resolved To have a programme for  
 Old Home Week and Elmer B. Shaw  
 Eugene Tappan and Timothy F. Linnis  
 to a Committee to solicit advertisements  
 and prepare said programme for the  
 Society.

The President made report of the  
 receipts and disbursements on account  
 of the Washington celebration.

The following bills were presented  
and they were approved for payment

Mary M. Vought	Printing	\$ 21.25
Dalton Sisters	music	5.00
Robert Rouch	Circulating	1.00
Cut of Washington	E. Tappan	.88
Express paid by	" "	.40
Jerre O'Leary	Moving Piano	<u>3.00</u>

Moved That Eugene Tappan, Geo A Dennett  
and Mrs Mary E Huxson be Committee  
to prepare for the April meeting.

Moved. That Eugene Tappan be author-  
ized to engage Prof. Marshall L. Perine  
of Wellesley Hills at an expense of  
\$10. and expenses, to address the Society  
on Capt John Smith and the Jamestown  
Settlement.

Moved That the Recording Secretary  
be a Committee to attend to the matter  
of securing a delegation to attend the  
meeting of the 1 Day State Historical  
League at Toyde Park April 19<sup>th</sup>.



Voted. To insert the following proposed change in the By Laws in the notice for the next meeting of the Society.

" The first sentence of Article 12 of the By-Laws relating to time of holding meetings, as heretofore amended, is further amended so as to read as follows:

The Society shall hold meetings on the last Friday of January, April and October and the Friday in Old Home week in each year.

Voted. To authorize the binding of Scrap Book No 4.

Voted - That John G. Phillips Mrs Dora Welch and Miss Faith Goddard be Committee in charge of the outings to be held in April May and June of the present year.

Adjourned

George K. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon, May 24, 1907.

Meeting of the Directors of the Sharon Historical Society at the house of Timothy F. Quinn at 8 o'clock, P.M.  
Present - Edmund H. Falbot, George Kempton, Timothy F. Quinn, Eugene Tappan, Amanda M. Eddy and Eliza L. White.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. Falbot; and in the absence of the recording secretary, Mr. Tappan was chosen secretary pro tem.

The following persons were approved for membership - Nathan Bowen Barton, Mrs. Lillian Fisher Barton, Robert J. Swan (Boston), Leonard Lorenzo Billings (Milton), William Henry Partridge (Newton), and Esther Bateman (East Walpole).

Timothy F. Quinn was appointed membership committee.

The treasurer, Mrs. White, was authorized to employ a collector of fees and dues, with compensation of ten per cent on the sums collected.

The recording secretary, Mr. Whittemore, and the treasurer, Mrs. White, were appointed a committee on the revision of the membership list.

The following bill was approved -  
Harry M. Night, May 16, 1907, printing circulars (6.25), envelopes (1.75) and 750 pamphlets (65.50) - total \$73.50.

The president, Mr. Falbot, was requested to recommend a suitable person as Editor of the Society's Publications.

The committee on old home week program reported progress. There was a discussion of plans for the celebration of old home week.

The president, Mr. Talbot, and the recording secretary, Mr. Tappan, were appointed a committee for old home week.

Mrs. Ida A. Fuch and Mrs. William C. Maginnes were appointed a committee for the outing of July 13, in Plimpton Pines.

Adjourned.

Eugene Tappan,  
Recording secretary pro tem.

Sharon July 5 1907

The Directors met at the house of Mr T. F. Quinn at 8 o'clock P.M.

Present. E. W. Talbot. T. F. Quinn  
E. W. Newins, G. W. Whittmore  
Mrs A. W. Eddy and Mrs E. L. White

President Talbot called the meeting to order, Secretary Whittmore <sup>read</sup> the records of last meeting and they were declared approved

The Treasurer made report of the condition of the Treasury -

That \$25. was on hand and that some fifty members were in arrears.

The Programme Committee reported that the work was well in hand and about completed -

Bills approved for payment.

N. E. Historic Genealogical Soc. Subscription	\$	3.00
J. L. Farbank & Co. Envelopes 4.75 Paper 3.25		8.00
F. J. Barnard & Co. Scrap Book		2.00
Walt Engraving Co. Plute Portrait		3.60
C. F. Bryant Stamped Envelopes		4.48
Eugene Tappan Jewels		7.76
	\$	28.84

Charles A. Drew and Geo. A. Huntington were approved for membership-

Old Home WEEK Committee reported that Hon. John W. Weeks had been engaged for Orator and that his subject will be John Paul Jones-

Mrs. Ida A. Tuck was appointed to be Matron at the afternoon tea to be held at the Town Hall

Voted. That the selection of Chief Usher for the evening meeting be left with the Committee

Voted. That Col. Edmund H. Hewins be a Committee to wait upon the Selectmen in the matter of the decoration of the Town Hall Building

Voted. That Mr. J. F. Quinn be a Committee to interview the officers of the S. I. & L. Association in matter of a subscription for a band concert for illumination night during Old Home WEEK.

Voted - That in behalf of the Sharon Historical Society, that the thanks of the Directors be and are hereby extended to Messrs Burbank, Quinn, Tappan, Thompson and Trapton of the Sharon Club for the gift of forms to be used in the illustrated program being prepared for our Old Home Week meeting

Adjourned

George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

A duly called meeting of the Directors was held at the house of Mr T. J. Quinn. In the absence of the President and on account of the rain storm a quorum could not be secured. and on motion of Director Stearns the Recording Secretary adjourned the meeting to September 30<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock P.M. at Mr Quinn's house.

Attest George W. Whittemore  
R. S.

Sharon, September 30, 1907.

A meeting of the directors of the Sharon Historical Society was held at the house of Mr. Timothy F. Quinn at 8 o'clock p.m. Present, — Timothy F. Quinn, Edmund H. Hewins, Eugene Jappan, George Kempton, Mrs. Eliza J. Kempton, Mrs. Amanda M. Eddy and Mrs. Eliza L. White.

In the absence of the president and recording secretary, Mr. Hewins was chosen chairman and Mr. Jappan was chosen recording secretary pro tem.

The records of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Quinn reported the results of the old home week program committee, — Net amount received from advertisements \$76.97. Mrs. White reported that there were \$11. + in the treasury; and that about 40 members were delinquent in paying their dues.

The following bills were approved —

Miss Florence Amy Nickerson & Miss Eda D'Haive for services afternoon and evening, Aug. 2,	\$25.00	
Their fares and expenses,	<u>3.70</u>	\$28.70
Decorating town hall (10 cents rep'd by Fire Club)		5.00
J. Randolph Brown, portrait of John Paul Jones		5.00
Mrs. J. P. Snow, 2 bouquets for musicians Aug 2.		2.00
Sharon Club for use of 10 small tables, & chairs,		1.00
Michael Downey, extra services in old home week,		<u>1.00</u>
	Total	42.70

These bills having been paid out of the above named net amount of advertisements (\$76.97), the balance of \$34.27 was now given to the treasurer,

Mr. Edgar Everett Fay and his wife Mrs. Olivia Tracy Fay of Moore Hill street were approved for membership.

Voted, that Mr. Quinn procure \$500. insurance on the property of the Society.

Voted, that Mr. John G. Phillips be the editor of the next printed annual, Publications No. 5.

Received an invitation from the First Church in Boston to attend the exercises at the formal transfer to their society of the recumbent memorial statue of Rev. John Cotton, on October 10, and the reception afterwards in the chapel. The invitation was accepted, and Messrs. Phillips, Hewins, Quinn and Tappan were chosen as Delegation to attend. The secretary was notified to send acceptance of the invitation to Mr. Walter Hunnewell, chairman of the Boston committee.

There followed a discussion of the program of exercises for the quarterly meeting on October 25. Rev. W. H. Morrison was named as speaker on Lafayette if he could be secured. Mr. Tappan was designated to attend to this and to the procurement of music. Mr. Quinn was designated to obtain some one to act as warden at the service of tea.

Adjourned.

Eugene Tappan,

Recording secretary pro tem.



Sharon March 9 1908

A meeting of the Board of Directors  
was held at the house of Eugene  
Tappan at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present. Mr Quinn Mr Tappan  
Mr Kempton Mrs White and the Secretary

Mr Kempton was appointed President  
pro-tem

The records were read and  
amended as follows=

In relation to  
vote passed inviting Mr Dyer to address  
the Society in April. The President  
had already made arrangements for  
a speaker for said meeting.  
Therefore the invitation to Mr Dyer is  
deferred to a later date.

Bill approved. J. Newman & Son 5.00

A word from Miss Winibel Bowman  
was received thanking the Directors  
for their remembrance of her father  
in presenting a floral tribute at his  
funeral.

Resolved To appoint Mr. Winthrop Capers Auditor To fill vacancy caused by the death of John A. Bowman.

Resolved. To present the following substitute for By Law 17. to the next meeting of the Society and that the same shall be printed on the next notices to members—

Each member shall pay an annual due of one dollar at the April meeting of the Society or upon demand of the Treasurer. This by-law shall not apply to those who pay a membership fee at said April meeting.

Mr Tappan was empowered to make application to persons whom he may designate to become members of the Society by mailing circulars to same.

Mr Tappan submitted a list of outings for the season of 1908.

Resolved. To approve of same.

Mr J. G. Phillips reported by letter  
on progress on the April publication.

The names of Robert L. Richardson and  
Jennie Allen Richardson were approved  
for membership.

Adjourned

Geo. W. Whittemore

R.S.

Shawmut May 13 1908

The Directors held a special meeting  
at the house of Eugene Tappan  
at 7.45 o'clock P.M.

Present Mr Tappan, Mr Quinn  
Mr Kempton Mr Hewins Mrs Eddy  
and the Secretary.

Mr Quinn was appointed Chairman  
the President being absent.

The resignation of Mr J. S. Prouty as  
Treasurer was received.

Voted. To accept the same.

The resignation of Mr W. W. Capen  
as Auditor was received

Voted. To accept the same

Mr W. W. Capen was elected Treasurer.

Mr C. W. Conant was elected Auditor

The Minutes of Quarterly Meeting  
April 24. 1908 see page 77 et seq.

Voted. The Sharon Historical Society extends its thanks to Mr Thomas A Prouty, the retiring Treasurer, for his faithfulness in office and regrets the necessity of his resignation on account of his absence from Sharon

Adjourned  
Geo. W. Whittmore  
R.S.

Sharon July 27 1908

Duly called Directors meeting held at house of Mr J. F. Lunn. The President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Mr Lunn and Mrs Eddy present. Records of last meeting read and approved.

Mr Lunn chosen to present resolutions on the death of Mr Tappan and it was unanimously voted. That John G. Phillips be the speaker for the Society after their reading.

Mrs Emma L Devoe, Mr Raymond Barillett, and Mary Deming Earle. approved for membership.

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to make payment to Mr J. F. Lunn of the amount loaned by him May 25, 1908.

Adjourned  
George W. Whittmore  
R.S.

# Meeting of the Society

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Sharon May 25 1908

The adjourned meeting of the Society was held at the Lower Town Hall at 8 o'clock P. M. In the absence of the President John G. Phillips presided. The reading of the records was dispensed with.

The report of the retiring Treasurer was received.

Voted. To accept the report and place the same on file.

The following members resigned their membership -

Arthur S. Hinson	Edmund D. Hewins
Florence D. Hinson	Mrs Edmund D. Hewins
Marie W. Brittain	Katherine P. Hewins
William W. Bense	Kamiet A. Johnson
Mrs William W. Bense	H. Frank Leonard
Agnes G. Bury	Mary F. Leonard
Sanford I. Carpenter	A. W. Lyon
Eminie O. Carpenter	Percy R. Middleton
Daniel E. Devor	Isabel Raynolds
Joseph Goddard	Frances A. Talbot
Faith Goddard	John F. White
Charles E. Hall	Charles A. Drew
Lydia G. Richards	L. Robert Tidd
Leonard L. Billings	Julia F. Tidd
Fred D. Stanley	Isabella Stanley

Voted. That the names reported as resigned together with others that may be before the August meeting be reported to the Secretary by the Treasurer as delinquent, shall be dropped from membership in the Society.

Voted. That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to receive a temporary loan of one hundred dollars with agreement to repay the same from the first receipts

Voted To approve of bills as follows:  
 Record Job Print \$ 2.00  
 J. G. Phillips Editor Publication Nov 5 191.15

Voted That after the next quarterly meeting in Old Home Week, that an admission fee be charged to non-members attending all future meetings of the Society.

Voted. To adjourn

Geo H. Whittmore  
 P.S.

Sharon July 31 1908

The meeting called to order at  
8 o'clock P.M.

President E. W. Talbot  
in the Chair

Piano solo by Master  
Deming a pupil of the Perkins  
Institute for the blind; very finely  
rendered and well received  
The records were read and approved

The following names were presented  
for membership.

Raymond Bartlett Earle  
Mary Deming Earle  
Emma L. Devoe

and they were duly elected to member-  
ship.

The following resolution was  
presented by Mr Timothy F. Quinn  
prefaced by remarks by the President  
and followed by remarks by Mr  
Quinn E. W. Hewins. J. G. Phillips  
Geo Kempter. John O'Brien and  
Dr Lonny Puffer of Brockton.

The resolutions were unanimously  
adopted by a rising vote.

Whereas-

Divine Providence has seen fit in his wisdom to remove from our midst our beloved friend, and co-worker, Eugene Tappan Esq.; therefore be it resolved, that

Eugene Tappan was no common man, noble in his impulses, careful in his management, broad in his charity, unceasing in his influence, modest and unassuming he was equal to any occasion that called for his service.

May the Great Father of us all comfort and sustain us in our loss.

Voted. That the thanks of the Society be extended to Mr Timothy F Quinn for his earnest and untiring labor in perfecting and carrying out the exercises of Old Home Week.

Vocal selection by Miss Muriel Millard, accompanied by Mrs Webster Stroh, very enthusiastically received.

The President then introduced the orator of the evening-



Hon Charles D. Tivell of Natick  
with very interesting remarks—

Mr. Tivell delivered a very instructive  
and interesting oration.

Subject. The Old Colonial Town

Mr Tivell was well received and  
held the close attention of the  
audience to the close

Piano solo by Miss Ruth Dyer  
very well received and pleasing  
to the audience

Mr Rempton moved a vote of  
thanks to the speaker of the evening.  
for his very interesting address.

The exercises were closed by singing  
an original poem written by the late  
Eugene Tappan. Entitled "Lake Massapoag"  
and followed by the social half hour.

Charles S. Curtis

Secy Pro Tem

Attest George H. Whittemore

R. Secretary,

Sharon Sept 11 1908  
Meeting of the Directors held at the house  
of Mr J. F. Quinn.

Present,

President E. W. Talbot, Timothy F. Quinn,  
W. W. Capen George Rempton, Mrs  
Eliza J. Rempton and Mrs Amanda W  
Eddy. The meeting was called to  
order by the President. Records read  
by the Recording Secretary and declared  
approved.

Heard Report of the Treasurer  
who reported cash on hand \$24.54  
Bills approved as follows.

W. W. Capen \$24.93

H. M. Wight 18.50

The Custodian reported that he had  
on hand for sale of publications \$3.10.

The following letter was read by the  
Secretary.

Secretary of the Sharon Historical  
Society

Dear Sir. May I through you  
express my thanks to the Sharon Historical  
Society for the beautiful wreath sent to honor  
my fathers memory. I feel sure it was  
sent, not as a matter of form but because of  
the love and respect the society as a whole

felt for my father, who spared not his strength, time and funds to make the Society a success.

Sincerely Yours  
Mabel Tappan.

Voted to adjourn  
George W. Whittemore  
R.S.

Sharon Oct 23 1908

The quarterly meeting of the Society was held in the Town Hall at 8 o'clock P. M. President Edmunde W. Talbot in the Chair.

Piano Solo.

Miss Marion Lane -

Singing by Double Quartette from the Sharon Choral Society - under the direction of Mr Charles S Curtis.

Mrs Edward Aspinwall	S. Thomas Hall
Miss Muriel Willard	Charles S Curtis
Mrs Charles D. Potter	Albert F. Caswell
Miss Carrie Curtis	Ralph L. Pollard.

Selection. "The Parting Kiss -  
and upon encore "The Old Oaken Bucket."

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Per Mr Dyer in a few well chosen remarks presented the following resolution which was unanimously adopted.

Whereas the Society has lost in the death of Mrs. Eliza Burnham Mills, on Sept 12 1908, one of its most appreciative members be it

Resolved, That we record our high estimate of Mrs Mills whose unusual natural abilities, enhanced by home training of the highest order, by large opportunities for foreign travel, and by constant and loving familiarity with the best literature made her a woman of rare culture and of the most fascinating social and conversational powers.

The Custodian exhibited a pen and ink sketch of the Tolman Homestead in Dorchester the gift to the Society of Charles T. Corey of Mansfield.

It was voted. That the Thanks of the Society be extended to Mr Corey for the gift.

It was voted. To accept from the Sharon Ethical Society the amount remaining in its Treasury, said amount being \$1.98.

The President in a few well chosen remarks then introduced the Speaker of the evening.

Francis Wurtubis Jr.

Subject. John Hancock. The first Constitutional Governor of Massachusetts.

The address was well received and at its close the Speaker was introduced to the members present.

Singing by the Quartette.

On motion of Col Edmund W. Hewins it was voted. That the thanks of the Sharon Historical Society be extended to the Speaker of the evening, to the representatives of the Sharon Choral Soc. and to Miss Marion Lane the Pianist for their very pleasing entertainment this evening.

Singing. Home Home Sweet Home closed the exercises of the evening-

Geo. W. Whittmore

Recording Sec'y

Eugene Tappan,

The Recording Secretary has  
about closed this volume 1. of  
the Records of the Sharon  
Historical Society—

pardon him if he uses these pages  
to inscribe a few thoughts suggested  
by the life of the man whose  
name appears so many times  
in the foregoing pages.

For many years Sharon has been  
and is to day a very independent  
community.

Funds both civil and  
religious have all the years of our  
existence as a precinct, district and  
town unhappily divided us—  
Neither great wealth or extreme poverty  
has been ours— We have <sup>been</sup> prosperous.  
The subject of this came to Sharon  
in 1897. The writer had never seen  
him but in an impulsive moment  
he used his pen to introduce himself  
and these are the circumstances.

Mr Tappan in a letter to the local press  
gave his impressions of the schools

as he found the same. The matter interested me and as I said I replied to him by a personal letter.

Upon acquaintance formed by this incident we, being neighbors continued our intimacy till his death.

He was the grand old man of our town during this last decade for he did more to heal our differences, bring our town into notice, and through this influence as corresponding Secretary of this Society, it may be said -

"He gathered us together in harmony"

His life has had its lesson ~~to us~~ <sup>for us during</sup> these ten years -

May it not have been in vain,

George H. Wittermore













