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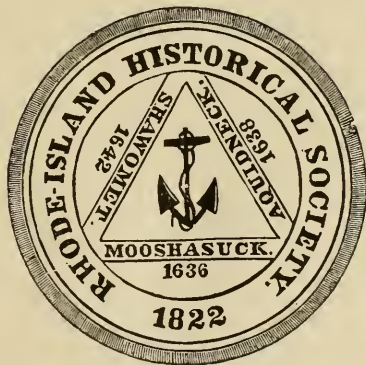
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OF THE
RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
ELECTED JANUARY 14, 1909.

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PROCEEDINGS

APRIL, 1908, TO JANUARY, 1909.

QUARTERLY MEETING, APRIL 7, 1908.

The president in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The librarian's report was read and ordered placed on file.

Upon the recommendation of the executive committee, it was voted that the librarian be given leave of absence this summer to do work in England in connection with the publication of the Royal Proclamations concerning the American Colonies, to be issued by the American Antiquarian Society.

Mr. Alfred Stone then read a paper on John Howland.

Upon motion of Mr. Charles Sisson, seconded by Mr. Joshua M. Addeman, the thanks of the Society were given to Mr. Stone for his interesting historical paper.

The Society then adjourned.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JULY 7, 1908.

The president in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The acting librarian's report was read, received, and ordered placed on file.

Upon report of the nominating committee, William French Wilbur of New York, Mrs. Emma Buzzell Shaw and Gertrude Lucretia Thayer of Providence, were elected active members of the Society.

The portrait of Judge Horatio Rogers, former president of the Society, was presented to the Society by Mrs. Rogers, his widow, through his son, the Rev. Lucian Rogers. In presenting the portrait, Mr. Rogers dwelt briefly upon the Judge's character and its influences upon those who will come after him. He was seconded with remarks by ex-Chief Justice Stiness.

Upon motion of Judge Stiness, it was voted that the thanks of the Society be given to Mrs. Rogers for this portrait, and it was also voted that it be hung upon the wall of the portrait gallery of the cabinet.

The Society then adjourned.

QUARTERLY MEETING, OCTOBER 6, 1908.

The president in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian was read and ordered placed on file.

The nominating committee recommended the following persons for membership in the Society: Louise Prosser Bates, of Oaklawn; Elisha Coggeshall Stillman of Ashaway; and Frank Wells Emerson, Sarah Elizabeth Dyer, Rev. Wilford Lawrence Hoopes, Susan Cotton Tufts, and Albert Lee Anthony, of Providence. Upon motion, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for their election, and upon so doing they were declared to be elected.

The president announced the death since the last meeting of William D. Ely, Edwin Barrows and Alfred Stone, with some remarks upon their services to the Society and its loss through their death.

The president announced the resignation of Clarence S. Brigham as librarian and cabinet keeper and the recommendation of the executive committee that it be accepted with regret, to take effect on or before the first of next January. The executive committee further recommended that Howard M. Rice be elected to serve in these positions from the date of Mr. Brigham's retirement until the next annual meeting of the Society, the compensation to be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and upon motion it was so voted.

The secretary then read a letter from Miss Carr concerning the conveyance of the restored old windmill on Conanicut Island to this Society, if some provision could be made for its care and preservation. The matter was referred to the executive committee.

The Society then adjourned.

ANNUAL MEETING, JANUARY 12, 1909.

The eighty-seventh annual meeting was held Tuesday evening, January 12, 1909, in the cabinet, the president, Wilfred H. Munro, in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian was received and placed on file.

The secretary read a letter from Isaac C. Greene, submitting his resignation as a member of the Society, and it was accepted.

The secretary read a letter from the Rhode Island Citizens' Historical Association, enclosing a copy of the minute passed by that Association upon the resignation of Clarence S. Brigham as our librarian and cabinet keeper, expressing the regrets of that Association and its recognition of the services of Mr. Brigham to the historical interests of this state.

The secretary announced that through a communication to him Mrs. Isabel J. Bulkeley of Brooklyn, New York, the compiler of the Chad Brown Memorial, now presents to this Society such further information concerning the descendants of Chad Brown as she has been able to gather since the publication of that volume, for preservation by this Society, and for the use of those interested in the genealogy of the descendants of Chad Brown.

The report of the nominating committee was read, recommending for election as members of this Society the following named persons: Edward Stimson Clark, Mark Newton Bennett, Miner Hamlin Paddock, of Providence; Harry Lee

Barnes of Wallum Lake; and William Arthur Wing of New Bedford.

Upon motion, unanimously passed, the secretary cast a ballot for their admission to membership, and they were declared to be elected.

The president read his annual address.

The annual report of the treasurer was read and ordered placed on file.

The annual report of the library committee was read by Mr. Hoyt and was ordered placed on file.

The annual report of the lecture committee was presented verbally by Mr. Brigham.

The annual report of the committee on grounds and buildings was read by Mr. Isham and was ordered placed on file.

The committee on publication made a verbal report through Mr. Winship.

The report of the committee on necrology will be submitted later in print.

The report of the finance committee was made verbally through Mr. Brown.

The committee appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year presented the list of nominees (to be found on page five of this number of the Proceedings).

On motion, the secretary putting the motion, Wilfred H. Munro was elected president for the year ensuing.

Upon motion unanimously passed, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for the other officers, and upon his doing so they were declared to be elected.

On behalf of the committee on grounds and buildings, Mr. Isham delivered an appreciative address upon the life and services of the late Alfred Stone (printed as part of the report of the committee on necrology in this number of the Proceedings).

Remarks were made by Professor MacDonald upon the urgent necessity of increasing the publication fund of the Society. Upon motion of Robert P. Brown, the subject was referred to the executive committee.

On motion of Rev. Samuel H. Webb it was

Resolved, That for the current year the president, the two vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, librarian and the chairmen of the several standing committees, shall constitute an executive committee, at whose meetings the president shall preside. This committee shall exercise a general supervision on behalf of the Society in all matters not directly referred to the president or to a standing or special committee. Any four members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally, and a notice for a meeting of the Society shall be deemed a notice for a meeting of this committee.

Mr. Brigham suggested the advisability of a stenographic report of the meetings of this Society.

Mr. Winship spoke of the desirability of active discussion of various topics at our meetings.

The Society then adjourned.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I do not propose to read to you to-night an historical dissertation. Let me, after a few words concerning the work performed during the year by our committee on marking historical sites, devote the rest of my time to a consideration of the crisis which the Society is facing.

The committee on marking historical sites has placed four tablets during the year.

May 30, 1908, a tablet bearing the following inscription was placed upon Drum Rock, in the village of Apponaug, in the town of Warwick:

DRUM ROCK
A
TRYSTING-SIGNAL AND
MEETING PLACE OF THE
COWESET INDIANS
AND THEIR
KINDRED NARRAGANSETTS

An historical address was delivered by Mr. William B. Weeden of Providence.

July 6, 1908, dedicatory exercises were held at Spring Green, Warwick, in connection with the erection of a tablet to mark "Camp Ames." The historical address was delivered by Wilfred H. Munro, president of the Rhode Island Historical Society. The tablet bears this inscription:

THIS FIELD KNOWN AS
 CAMP AMES ON SPRING
 GREEN FARM WAS THE
 CAMP GROUND OF THE
 THIRD RHODE ISLAND
 VOLUNTEERS
 SUBSEQUENTLY THE
 THIRD RHODE ISLAND
 HEAVY ARTILLERY
 PREVIOUS TO THEIR DE-
 PARTURE FOR THE SEAT
 OF WAR SEPTEMBER 7

1861

September 10, 1908, a tablet was placed upon the house in Portsmouth in which General Prescott was captured by Lieutenant Colonel Barton during the Revolutionary War. The dedicatory exercises consisted of an introductory address by the president of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and an oration by William Paine Sheffield of Newport.

The inscription reads as follows :

IN THIS HOUSE
 HIS HEADQUARTERS
 THE BRITISH GENERAL PRESCOTT
 WAS TAKEN PRISONER
 ON THE NIGHT OF JULY 9, 1777
 BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL BARTON
 OF THE RHODE ISLAND LINE

October 17, 1908, a tablet was placed in Johnston to mark the location of the Indian soapstone quarry. The quarry is situated on the "Hartford Pike" near the Ochee spring.

The exercises consisted of an introduction by the president of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and an address by Mr. David Webster Hoyt of Providence.

The tablet bears this inscription :

AN INDIAN QUARRY
ONE OF THE FEW IN NEW ENGLAND
FROM THIS SOAPSTONE LEDGE
NOW ONLY PARTLY UNCOVERED
THE INDIANS
FASHIONED UTENSILS
FOR FAMILY USE AND FOR TRADE

Other tablets are already cast, one of them the bronze which is to mark the dwelling place of perhaps the most able man born and developed in the colony of Rhode Island in the ante-revolutionary days — Stephen Hopkins.

The Rhode Island Historical Society is now passing through one of the critical periods of its history. Looked at from the point of view of an outsider, the past year has been one of unusual prosperity and of more than ordinary usefulness. The productive funds of the Society have been considerably increased. The cabinet has received within its walls large numbers of curious visitors and of earnest workers. Many books have been added to the library, many accessions made to our collection of historical relics.

But our death roll contains the names of men who for years have been most efficient workers and influential members. Three of them, William Ely, Edwin Barrows and Edward I. Nickerson, were chairmen of committees. Two, Rev. Dr. James G. Vose and Alfred Stone, were not only among the most constant attendants at our meetings, but also among our most acceptable lecturers. All were persons of mark in the community, whose places it will be most difficult to fill.

And now we have to face at the same time the loss of the man who has been for eight years our most efficient librarian, and of the young woman who has been the cataloguer of the library since 1897, and has also, as assistant librarian, been in charge of the cabinet during the absence of Mr. Brigham. Your president hardly feels it necessary to add any words of his own to the appreciative notices of the services of Mr. Brigham and Miss Boone which appear upon the *News Sheet* for this meeting. He adds his cordial assent to the commendations therein expressed and his very deep regret that the Society is to lose at the same time two such efficient workers. As his old instructor, he rejoices that Clarence S. Brigham has so well fulfilled the promise of his student days and that he is to pass on to the field of larger usefulness which the librarianship of the American Antiquarian Society affords. Having noted with critical eyes the young librarian's development here, he predicts that a larger growth will result from his labors in his new field and that promotion to the highest work in his profession will eventually be his.

Of Miss Boone, your president has only this to say — that having noted for years her very careful and efficient work, he was prepared to recommend her for the librarian's position, but was met by her refusal to allow her name to be brought forward for the office.

When Mr. Brigham's resignation was presented, the executive committee considered themselves fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Howard M. Rice as librarian, believing that his ripe scholarship, his large knowledge of men gained through long experience as a teacher, his affability and courtesy would be of the highest value to the Society. At that time the committee had no knowledge of Miss Boone's plans, and did not know that they were to lose her as well as the librarian. When her resignation was handed in, Mr. Rice felt that the carrying on of the work which the librarian and his first assistant had performed would be too much for his unaccustomed shoulders, and therefore was forced to decline the post to which he had been named.

To-night I am happy to announce that we have made arrangements by which we shall secure for a portion of each week the services of a man eminently qualified by taste and experience for the librarianship of an historical association. As librarian of the Old Dartmouth Historical Society he has been eminently successful in building up that institution. We trust that at no distant time we may secure the full services of Mr. William Arthur Wing of New Bedford for this Society.

I said at the beginning of my address that the Society is now passing through one of the critical periods in its history. When from Amos Perry's shoulders fell the burden which he, almost alone, had sustained for so many years, a new order of things began. Expansion was the order of the day. Duplicates were exchanged or sent to the auction room. Large additions were made to the number of town histories, special attention was given to the collection of genealogies. Much useless material was disposed of to make room for the large accessions. The public were encouraged and exhorted to make use of the treasures of our library, and as a consequence the cabinet welcomed more visitors than it had ever known before. Individuals sought the library that they might prosecute their researches in its alcoves and the general public turned through the papers to its librarian for information upon all matters connected with Rhode Island history. Our "plant" is now in constant use for the illumination of the past. Illustrations made from our plates fill the pages of the newspapers. Not a day passes without requests from persons both near at hand and far away for information which only our books and our manuscripts can afford.

When the additions to this cabinet were completed a score of years ago, it was fondly hoped that provision had been made for the growth of at least fifty years, if not for a century. Look about you this evening! We have outgrown our accommodations. We are crowded in every department of our work. A glance will demonstrate the fact to the most careless observer. A few weeks ago we removed the genealogical books from their over-filled quarters and placed them in the space

which had been occupied by less-sought-for volumes, the cases not so frequently consulted being placed in the back part of the room. But the new quarters are insufficiently lighted except in days of brightest sunshine; the darkness that shrouds our ancestors is impenetrable unless the gas is turned on, and the volumes upon the transplanted shelves cannot be found even at high noon without the aid of a candle. Four gas burners have been placed over the work tables in the genealogical room, but they are a constant menace. We can only hope that the varnished pine ceiling may not flare up for the destruction of the building, and all that it contains. Think how irreparable the loss would be! Only by the introduction of electricity can we secure sufficient light, and electricity is both expensive and dangerous.

One solution of the problem would be the concentration of all work, except that connected with the bulky newspapers, around the tables in the large hall. This would necessitate another transfer of our genealogies, the closing of the shelves to the public, and the constant attention of an assistant whose special function it would be to furnish the books desired. I have no doubt that before many years our rooms will be as much frequented by genealogical students as are now those of the New England Society in Boston; for, thanks to the energy of Mr. Brigham, we have now one of the best collections of genealogical volumes in the country as well as one of the best collections of New England town histories. It must be our aim to possess the *best* collection of works on Rhode Island history. It will be almost a sin if we do not. We have our own special province and we must develop it to the utmost. Happily that field is limited. We cannot hope to equal, for the present at least, the magnificent endowment of the collection of Americana across the campus, but fortunately we do not as a rule have to pay so much for our volumes. It searches the book marts of the world for the records of a far distant past. We will content ourselves by seizing upon history as it is making. But we must have room for our books, alcoves to hold them, cases in which to display them. Exhi-

bitions like those so often provided by Mr. Winship from the treasures of the John Carter Brown Library should be frequently made under this dome.

Our relics must inevitably go to the wall. The same fate that befell the collection in the Jenks Museum in Rhode Island Hall of Brown University will attend them. They must in time find a more fitting lodging place elsewhere. A year ago I spoke in my address of the need of an historical museum in this city, of a building in some central location where relics of the past might be enshrined. May I repeat my words of last year :

“The state of Rhode Island should have in this city a permanent historical exhibition. Some of the unoccupied land between the railway station and the state capitol might well be set apart for the erection of a building which should house objects illustrating our past history. The collection should embrace not only the Indian relics scattered throughout the towns, but everything which would throw light upon the history of our commercial and industrial development. No state in the union has a more wonderful past than Rhode Island. No state dreams of a more wonderful future. An exhibition showing by what we have done the grounds for our belief in what we can do would be of incalculable value. And to such an exhibition this Society might well contribute many of its treasures.”

Last year the time did not seem opportune for the inception of such a project. Perhaps with returning prosperity it may be safe now to push forward the scheme.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1908.

The past year has witnessed a steady growth in the library, although my absence abroad during the summer months has lessened the usual amount of activity in securing accessions. The number of bound volumes added during the year is 663, pamphlets 999, and miscellaneous items 100, a total of 1762. Of this number 1013 came by gift, 448 by purchase and 301 by exchange.

The important gifts of the year have been noted in the recent issues of the News Sheet, and hence are familiar to the members. I have thought it fitting in this my last report to refer briefly to some of the activities of the Society and to sketch the history and growth of the various departments of the library—all with especial reference to the last decade. Could Reverend Mr. Stone, the librarian from 1851 to 1880, have performed this task, how valuable such a record would be to us to-day! If Mr. Perry, who succeeded him until his own death in 1899, had foreseen his sudden end, he might have planned to give to the Society a most instructive paper on its memories and traditions, drawn from an acquaintance that extended over forty years. I assume that I am still too young a man to indulge in reminiscence. But I have become so thoroughly imbued with the spirit of this Society, so possessed by a love for its work, so permeated with its history and traditions, that I may be pardoned if I make mention of facts which, since they seem interesting to me, make me believe that they must be of interest to others.

Of an institution so venerable as this, which will be eighty-seven years old this coming June, historical accounts must of necessity have appeared in print. In May, 1839, Hon. William R. Staples, the first secretary of the Society, in whose office a few public-spirited gentlemen first gathered on April

19, 1822, to lay plans for its formation, contributed an article upon the Society to the *American Quarterly Register*. Verily it was a day of small things. A small membership and a sparse income were compensated for by an acquisitive spirit on the part of a few workers and by the fact that at that period collections of documents were accessible on every hand and not difficult to procure. The small library of volumes, manuscripts and newspapers, housed successively in the rooms of the Providence Library Company in the old State House, in the Brown & Ives counting-house, and in the Arcade, was finally lodged in the new building erected in 1844.

At the time of the semi-centennial of the Society in 1872, the librarian, Mr. Stone, reviewed its history in a sketch which was published in the *Proceedings* for 1872-73, giving many extracts from the early records. Mr. Perry wrote two articles upon the Society, one in the *Proceedings* for 1889-90 and the other in the *Proceedings* for 1891-92. Other historical sketches of a comprehensive nature are to be found in the *Providence Journal* for June 17, 1900, and in the *New England Magazine* for January, 1901.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

The original incorporators of the Society numbered 13, who during the first year elected 30 new members. A few names were added each year, until by 1839 the membership had reached a total of 94. This number gradually increased until, after an exceptionally active period from 1855 to 1858, the list had swelled to over 130 members. The Civil War followed and a resulting period of inactivity brought the membership in 1872 down to 81, only 61 of whom, however, paid their annual tax. This number was doubled in the next four years, the year 1874 alone showing an increase of 36 names. In 1880 the membership was 241, and during Mr. Perry's incumbency it steadily increased until in 1899 it amounted to 367. In 1901 an active effort was made to enroll new members, with the result that 50 were elected, the largest number ever enrolled in any one

year. By 1903 there were 378 members, up to that year the Society's largest membership. A careful revision of the lists in the following year caused the dropping of many names, and since that date the Society has kept upon an even way. No special effort has been made to enlist new members and some care has been shown in the admission of new names. To-day there are 348 members in good standing, of whom 28 are life members. The advantages of an increased membership are at once apparent, and there is no doubt but that the membership could be increased by 100 within a year with special effort. There are many persons in the community who would identify themselves with the Society if the suggestion were made to them.

FUNDS AND BEQUESTS.

A study of the reports of the treasurer since 1822 furnishes an interesting commentary upon the growth of the Society. During the early period there were no paid officers, for the building was not regularly open; there was no purchase of books; there was no printing of reports. Whenever any improvement was suggested or any work to be done, funds had to be solicited especially for the purpose. The regular income allowed for little more than paying the expenses of meetings and the slight necessary repairs. In 1872, for instance, there was an income of only \$218, of which \$183 came from annual taxes, \$20 from initiation fees and \$15 from the sale of books. In 1879 the General Assembly passed an act appropriating \$500 a year for the use of the Society under certain conditions. But, with the exception of the life membership fund, instituted in 1872, the Society had no permanent funds. Such slight bequests and gifts as had come to it had generally been given and been used for specific purposes. In 1889 a permanent publication fund was begun through bequests of \$1000 each from William Gammell and Ira B. Peck. In 1890 came the Society's first large bequests, \$12,000 from Samuel M. Noyes and \$10,000 from Henry J. Steere. In the same year

\$1000 was added to the publication fund from the estate of Albert J. Jones. At this time was laid the foundation of the Society's prosperity, for not only in 1891 was the new building completed, at a cost of \$20,000, but the state grant in 1892 was increased to \$1500 annually.

The funds of the Society continued to grow. In 1892, \$1000 was derived from the estate of John Wilson Smith. In 1894 Julia Bullock gave \$500 and Charles H. Smith \$100 towards the publication fund. In 1895 a fund for the care of the grounds and building was created through a bequest of \$4000 from Dr. Charles W. Parsons. In 1896 William G. Weld added by his will \$1000 to the general fund. In 1897 a fund of \$210 was contributed by a few members as a memorial to George M. Carpenter. This fund, in 1907, was appropriated by the Society for the handsome memorial desk which now adorns the auditorium. In 1901 came \$5000 from the will of Charles H. Smith; in 1902, \$2000 from the will of Esek A. Jillson; in 1904, \$1000 from the will of Charles C. Hoskins; in 1906, \$1000 from the will of Charles H. Atwood; and in 1908, \$1000 from the will of William D. Ely and \$3000 from the will of William H. Potter. The only new fund is the initiation fees fund, created in 1902, and now amounting to \$700.

The Society to-day can be said to be in a fairly prosperous condition. Its invested funds amount to nearly \$50,000 and its annual income from all sources is \$6000. Its greatest needs are a larger publication fund and a genealogical fund.

THE BUILDING.

Edwin M. Stone frequently asserted that the Rhode Island Historical Society was the first in the country to build a home of its own. Whether this statement can be questioned I do not know, but I am quite sure that the structure which was completed in 1844 at a cost of nearly \$5000 must have seemed commodious indeed to its builders. And yet before three decades had passed the Society found itself cramped for room. When the semi-centennial exercises were held on July 19,

1872, it was found necessary to use the armory of the Marine Artillery to accommodate the gathering. Occasional changes in the building somewhat relieved the situation. The old cumbersome staircase was removed in 1874, and the stairway to the gallery, which many of us remember in the south-east corner of the central room, was erected. At the quarterly meeting of July, 1883, a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of enlarging the cabinet. The culmination of their labors was the present building, begun in August, 1889, and finished in November, 1891, at a cost of \$20,000. The old portion, furthermore, was altered to correspond with the new. The old small-paned windows were replaced by large plate glass; a north gallery was constructed joining the two side galleries, which previously ran only to the north wall; the old staircase, as well as the cellar stairway beneath it with its trap-door, was removed; the shingled roof was replaced by a tin roof, and the exterior was replastered. The changes of the last decade have consisted only of necessary repairs, the erection of much additional shelving, and the construction of the fire-proof manuscript room in 1903. The present auditorium was fitted up as a lecture-room in 1900, giving the Society a better lighted, more attractive and more commodious room for its meetings.

In the early days of the Society, the building was not opened except for the meetings of the Society. The members had keys and used the library as they saw fit. In 1880, however, an active library committee, consisting of Sidney S. Rider, Charles W. Parsons, and Horatio Rogers, took charge of affairs, rearranged the collections, inaugurated modern methods, and kept the library open regularly each week day for five and a half hours. With the enlargement of the building in 1891, and the addition to the funds, the Society extended the opening hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., keeping the library closed only on Saturday afternoons and in the month of August. In 1900 these restrictions were removed, the only exception being that the library is now open in August only from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M.

GROUNDS.

The changes that have taken place in the appearance of the grounds surrounding the building, although of no particular historic interest, are perhaps worthy of record. The lot upon which the building stands was obtained partly by the gift of Nathan Waterman's heirs, and partly by purchase from the Waterman estate. The committee on grounds and buildings was created in 1849, when the old system of governing the Society by trustees was abandoned. The appearance of the building in this early day is shown in many pictures preserved in the library, and more especially in the series of class photograph albums in the Brown University Library. The present iron fence, with its stone foundation, was erected at a cost of \$500 in 1877. At the quarterly meeting of that year the record reads, "President Allen, on behalf of the Society, presented Reverend Mr. Stone, the librarian, with a cane made from a portion of the old wooden fence, as a memento of his long service, with a humorous speech to which Mr. Stone responded in the same spirit and others took part and made a merry time over the presentation."

In the same year a high board fence was built in the rear of the lot. The iron hitching-post, put up in 1886, the ivy planted in 1903, the flag-pole erected in 1904 as a gift from the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and the iron handrail placed on the front steps during the past year, have been the recent improvements in the appearance of the grounds.

NUMBER OF VOLUMES.

Not much information as to the number of volumes in the the library in the early days is obtainable. In 1839 Mr. Staples's account stated that the library contained "more than 400 volumes," which presumably did not include the newspapers, manuscripts, or pamphlets. In 1872 the library was listed as containing 6000 bound volumes, 30,000 pamphlets and over 7000 manuscripts. Two years later it was stated that the

Rhode Island newspapers numbered 300 bound and 100 unbound volumes. In 1876 the manuscripts were carefully examined, arranged, and bound in 72 folio volumes comprising nearly 20,000 separate papers. In 1893 the first accurate count of the volumes in the library was made and published in the April number of the *Publications*. It showed a total of 14,437 volumes, classified as follows :

Rhode Island books and U. S. history,	2,935
New England States	1,775
Western room	1,550
Miscellaneous room	3,415
Genealogies	190
Government documents	2,860
Newspapers	1,712
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	14,437

During the last few days the library has been carefully counted, showing a total of 26,613 volumes divided as follows :

Rhode Island books	3,318
U. S. history and biography	1,996
Local history	5,520
Genealogy	1,228
American periodicals	1,639
Government documents	3,806
Jillson dramatic collection	713
Directories	1,001
Newspapers	2,380
Almanacs	328
Miscellaneous	4,684
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	26,613

The pamphlets have not been counted, but it is estimated that they number about 40,000.

The number of annual accessions to the library has varied considerably. Special gifts or bequests of collections have frequently swelled the annual increase to large proportions.

During the earlier days the additions as listed were scarcely an accurate guide to the growth of the library. A year's output of a monthly magazine was listed as 12 pamphlets, instead of one volume as it eventually turned out to be; a consignment of 30 copies of a book would be listed as 30 instead of one; and the gift of a large collection would be accessioned *en bloc*, without removing the duplicate volumes. The largest number of accessions noted in any one year was in 1878, when 5858 items were recorded, but since this included a collection of 1350 war envelopes, it should more properly read 4509. In 1905, 4726 accessions are noted, comprising 1339 bound volumes, 2981 pamphlets, and 406 portraits, views and relics.

TOWN HISTORIES.

In no one department has the growth of the library been more apparent than in that part devoted to New England town history. The collection surely has been doubled in the last ten years. Much research has been expended in ferreting out the scarcer and less important town histories of New England, until to-day our collection is one of the most complete in the country. Exclusive of Rhode Island books, it comprises 3137 volumes, of which 273 are devoted to Maine, 286 to New Hampshire, 346 to Vermont, 1866 to Massachusetts, and 366 to Connecticut. Nearly all of this material has been purchased at low prices at auction or received through exchange. The duty of the future will be to keep up with the currently issued local histories and to be on the watch for the few titles which are lacking.

GENEALOGIES.

The growth of the genealogical collection has not been so marked as in the case of town histories. A list of the genealogies in the library, printed in the *Publications* for April,

1893, noted 262 separate genealogies. The present number is 956, to which should be added 272 titles of general works, magazines, and books on heraldry, surnames, etc. This increase has come almost entirely through the mediums of exchange and gift. If the same amount of labor in the next ten years could be put into enlarging this collection as in the last decade has been put into increasing the number of local town histories, we should be able to supply nearly any genealogy asked for. The need of a separate and permanent fund for this department is important and is to be referred to, I believe, in the report of the library committee.

Two valuable adjuncts to genealogical study are derived from the J. P. Root Papers, obtained for the Society in 1889, and the George T. Paine collection of 17,000 cards, indexing the vital records of Providence County to the year 1850, presented in 1892. Although these latter records have been largely displaced by Arnold's "Vital Records of Rhode Island," they still serve as a convenient place to search for a name of a person whose residence in Providence County is not definitely known.

The rise of patriotic societies has resulted in an increased use of the genealogical room. The prevalence of hunting for one's ancestors makes this library the objective point for much personal research and the recipient of an increasing number of queries by mail. We receive many requests for genealogies which we cannot supply. The collection surely needs up-building, though not necessarily because of the facts just outlined. Commendable as may be the queries of those who seek membership in some patriotic society, the greatest value of a genealogical collection lies in its aid to the study of biography. The Massachusetts State Library possesses one of the best collections of genealogies in the country, gathered solely because it forms the best working collection in existence of Massachusetts biography. "Every genealogy," says Mr. Tillinghast, the librarian who has formed this collection, "must make mention of Massachusetts men," and the same statement may be made as well to Rhode Island.

NEWSPAPERS.

Next to the collection of books of Rhode Island history and to the genealogical collection, probably the most used room in the building is that devoted to Rhode Island newspapers. It was one of the first aims of the founders of the Society to secure as complete sets as possible of the early newspapers, and the account of the Society written in 1839 speaks proudly of the almost perfect file of the Providence Gazette which had been gathered. William G. Goddard, Dr. Solomon Drowne, William R. Staples and Albert G. Greene were among the early donors of newspapers, and their efforts had a far-reaching effect. In 1857 the state first passed a law designating the Historical Society as a place of deposit for newspapers publishing state laws. This law was strengthened by another act of February 26, 1874, and thereafter the Society received nearly all of the newspapers published in the state. An enumeration of the newspapers in 1874 showed 300 bound and 100 unbound volumes. In 1893 there were 1712 volumes. To-day there are 2380 volumes of newspapers, of which nearly all are Rhode Island papers. No state, I believe, in the country possesses so complete a file of its own newspapers as does Rhode Island. This is due to the diligence of the early officers of the Society and to the long period in which the state law has been operative, as well as to the fact that we can preserve everything relating to our own small community where a larger state would have to exercise discrimination.

With such material to work with, the value of a bibliography of Rhode Island newspapers would be considerable, and would fill a long-felt want. Staples, in his "Annals of Providence," presents an historical account of Providence newspapers as far as the year 1842. The Providence Journal, in its anniversary number for June, 1886, carried this list down to that year. The chapter in Field's "Rhode Island" entitled "The Printer and the Press" contains the best account of Rhode Island newspapers published, but a recent careful examination of Rhode Island directories, which list newspaper enterprises,

shows that it is far from complete. Two articles by Mr. Perry on the Providence Gazette in the *Publications*, vol. 5, p. 196, and on the United States Chronicle in vol. 6, p. 87, should not be overlooked.

There is much yet to be done in completing our Rhode Island newspapers. Our file of the Newport Mercury is very deficient before 1793. We have no copies whatever of the excessively rare Rhode Island Gazette of 1732, nor any of the equally scarce Newport Gazette, printed by the British in 1778. And there are many ephemeral newspapers that are discarded as valueless at the time of their publication, and then become as difficult to secure as if they were manuscripts. But we should not despair of acquiring early newspapers. During my own short term of office, the wants in our notable file of the Providence Gazette have been reduced from 34 to 17. When it is considered that this paper published nearly 3400 issues, this showing is nothing short of remarkable, and represents probably the most complete set of a long-lived colonial newspaper existing in any one library in the country.

Other early files are the United States Chronicle, which lacks 32 out of 1100 issues; the Rhode Island American, with 12 wanting out of 3000 issues; and the Providence Patriot and Phoenix, with but five lacking out of 2200 issues. The completeness of these files makes them especially valuable for comprehensive consultation. The value of such a collection can hardly be overestimated.

OTHER COLLECTIONS.

There are many other departments of the library's resources which I should like to mention, such as the almanacs, of which we have about 1400 examples, the early Rhode Island imprints, the rare collection of broadsides, the Jillson dramatic collection, and the increasingly used collection of American directories; but time and space forbid. Of the manuscripts, too, which number to-day nearly 100,000 separate pieces, many of them yet to be arranged and mounted and made acces-

sible, I should like to speak. Valuable beyond compare for a study of Rhode Island's history, they lie unprinted and inaccessible, except to the most assiduous investigator. One of the leading historical scholars in the country once told me that a careful examination of our Brown Papers led him to believe that they formed one of the most valuable collections in the country for the study of the social and economic history of the period. And such thoughts as these cause my mind to turn to the mental picture of our meager publication fund, the income of which scarcely provides for the printing of our Society's proceedings, much less for giving to the world a documentary knowledge of Rhode Island history. I hope, I feel sure, that the next few years will witness a change in this regard, and find this Society equipped with a fund large enough to enable it to publish at least an annual volume of documents derived from its abundant resources.

In closing this my final report, I cannot refrain from recording the pleasure I have experienced in being associated with those who have assisted me for so many years in the work of the library. Not once do I recollect having had the least friction or listened to an unpleasant word. Of the officers of the Society, too, who have aided me so frequently and so cheerfully, I can take away only the most pleasant of memories. I wish the Society every success. I shall take always the keenest interest in its affairs, and hope that in some way my name may be remembered in an institution which has filled so important a part of my life.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE S. BRIGHAM,
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1908.

Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island Historical Society.

DR.		
Balance forward		\$1,125 24
Annual dues	\$839 00	
Interest on mortgage notes	559 00	
Interest legacy account—participation	384 80	
Interest Minneapolis Street Railway bonds	300 00	
Interest, Railroad Notes	525 00	
Dividends, Merchants National Bank	105 00	
Dividends, Blackstone Canal National Bank	56 26	
Dividends, Providence Gas Co.	168 00	
Interest on Life Membership Fund	147 14	
Interest on New Membership Fund	13 39	
Interest on Publication Fund	145 44	
Interest National Exchange Bank	22 70	
Refund from Loan	140 14	
George Peabody Wetmore	50 00	
George M. Carpenter Memorial Fund	254 17	
Rent, Patriotic Societies	73 00	
Sale of books	41 62	
Sale of broadsides	282 50	
State of Rhode Island	1,500 00	5,082 22
		<u>\$6,207 46</u>
CR.		
Amount paid for coal and wood	\$277 92	
Amount paid for removing ashes	12 50	
Amount paid for gas	26 34	
Amount paid for water	10 65	
Amount paid for telephone	47 09	
Amount paid for repairs	250 38	
Amount paid for printing and binding	530 30	
Amount paid for office expenses	276 53	
Salaries and administrative services	2,971 30	
Books, pamphlets, etc.	993 22	
Frame, Moses Brown portrait	11 50	
George M. Carpenter Memorial Desk	254 17	
Care of grounds	53 50	
		<u>\$5,715 46</u>
Balance forward		\$492 06
		<u>\$6,207 46</u>

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON.

Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island Historical Society.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, ACCOUNT 1908.

DR.

For checks received from the General Treasurer . . . \$1,500 00

CR.

Paid to Library Committee	\$1,411 30	
Paid to General Account for administrative expenses	88 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,500 00

DR. CHARLES W. PARSONS IMPROVEMENT FUND, JAN. 12, 1909.

DR.

Balance previous account	\$62 41	
York River bond	1,000 00	
Interest, York River bond	45 00	
4 notes, \$1000, Am. Tel. and Tel. Co.	3,896 11	
Interest, Am. Tel. and Tel. Co. Notes	200 00	
Interest, National Exchange Bank	67	
	<hr/>	\$5,204 19

CR.

York River bond	\$1,000 00	
4 notes, \$1000, Am. Tel. and Tel. Co.	3,896 11	
Balance, Nat'l Exchange Bank	308 08	
	<hr/>	\$5,204 19

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society.*

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 12, 1909.

	DR.	
For Legacy Account:		
Samuel M. Noyes	\$12,000 00	
Henry J. Steere	10,000 00	
Charles H. Smith	5,000 00	
Esek A. Jillson	2,000 00	
John Wilson Smith	1,000 00	
William G. Weld	1,000 00	
Charles C. Hoskins	1,000 00	
Charles H. Atwood	500 00	
Transfer from general account	50 00	
Cash	424 47	
		<hr/> \$32,924 47
For Publication Fund:		
Ira B. Peck	\$1,000 00	
William Gammell	1,000 00	
Albert J. Jones	1,000 00	
Julia Bullock	500 00	
Charles H. Smith	100 00	
		<hr/> 3,600 00
For Life Membership Fund:		
Previous account		3,643 76
For New Membership Fund:		
Previous account	\$640 00	
17 new members	85 00	
Interest	12 64	
		<hr/> 737 64
For Parsons Improvement Fund		5,204 19
		<hr/> \$46,110 06

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Legacy Account Investments:

6 bonds Minneapolis St. Ry. Co.	\$5,850 00	
30 shares Merchants National Bank	1,800 00	
45 shares Blackstone Canal National Bank	1,050 00	
100 shares New York Central R. R. Co.	10,000 00	
42 shares Providence Gas Co.	4,105 50	\$22,924 47

Mortgage Notes:

P. A. & H. A. Cory	3,350 00	
Michael F. Judge	950 00	
William Watson	1,500 00	
Harry Fuller	4,200 00	10,000 00
	<hr/>	32,924 47

Deposit, National Exchange Bank	118 97
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Publication Fund:

Participation account, Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.	3,600 00
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Life Membership Fund:

Mechanics Branch, Industrial Trust Co.	\$2,202 86	
Providence Institution for Savings	1,440 90	
	<hr/>	3,643 76

New Membership Fund	737 64
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Parsons Improvement Fund:

Bond, Richmond, York River & Chesapeake Railroad	\$1,000 00	
4 \$1,000 notes Am. Tel. and Tel. Co.	3,896 11	
National Exchange Bank	308 08	
	<hr/>	5,204 19

\$46,110 06

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON.

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The library committee of the Rhode Island Historical Society beg leave to call the attention of the Society to the great losses the library has sustained during the year just closing. The fact that the librarian, Mr. Clarence S. Brigham, has accepted another position means a great loss to this Society, and especially to its library. This is rendered more unfortunate by the fact that Miss Frances B. Boone, who has served so long and so efficiently, will also close her connection with the library. The death during the past year of Mr. William D. Ely, the chairman of this committee, has deprived the committee and the library of the services of one who, more than any other member of the Society except the librarian, kept himself in close touch with all the affairs of the library and gave to it much time and attention.

The remaining members of the committee call attention to only two other points connected with the library. First, we would express satisfaction that the collection of New England town histories has been made so nearly complete during Mr. Brigham's term of service. Secondly, while many additions have been made to our collection of family genealogies, it is hoped that, in the near future, this may be made as nearly complete as is that of town histories.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. HOYT,
For the Committee.

January 12, 1909.

REPORT OF LECTURE COMMITTEE.

The lecture committee report the following lectures were delivered under the auspices of the Society during the past year :

Mr. William C. Greene, of Providence, "The Story of the Spinning-wheel," January 28, 1908.

Hon. John H. Stiness, of Providence, "Sketches and Reminiscences of some Rhode Island Lawyers," February 11, 1908.

Rev. James Gardiner Vose, of Providence, "Reminiscences of some Providence Ministers," February 25, 1908.

Prof. John Howard Appleton, of Brown University, "Reminiscences of some Brown Professors," March 17, 1908.

Mr. Alfred Stone, of Providence, "John Howland and his Reminiscences of Early Providence," April 7, 1908.

At the close of each of these lectures the thanks of the Society were voted to the speaker of the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. WILSON,
For the Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

The committee on grounds and buildings make the following report for the year 1908 :

New shelving has been provided in the directory room, in the first story of the west wing and the second story of the east wing.

An awning has been provided for the window of the librarian's office, and a new lock has been placed on the front door.

A part of the ceiling of the central room fell on December 3d. The remaining plaster has been taken down and a new ceiling, on wire lath, is now being put up.

On the outside of the building, all the steps have been put in order and an iron handrail has been placed on the side of the flight leading to the street.

The expenditures have been as follows :

Balance on desk	\$ 5 11
Lamp for desk	16 50
Gas piping and plumbing repairs	14 68
Changing radiator	6 62
Hose, etc.	8 15
Awning	6 00
Shelving	125 75
Cleaning chimney	7 90
Handrail	17 50
Lock	10 00
Light fixtures	4 55
Hardware sundries	14 47
Tools, small repairs, etc.	13 15
	\$250 38
Care of grounds	53 50
Total	\$303 88

Two members of this committee have died during the year ; Mr. Edwin Barrows, the chairman, on July 11, and Mr. Alfred Stone on September 4.

Respectfully,

NORMAN M. ISHAM,
Chairman.

January 12, 1909.

NECROLOGY.

EDWIN BARROWS.

Edwin Barrows died at his home, 38 Olive Street, Providence, on July 11, 1908. He was born in Norton, Massachusetts, January 24, 1834, and was the son of Albert and Harriet Ide Barrows. He received his early education in the schools of his native town and at Pierce Academy, Middleboro, and was graduated from Yale in the class of 1857. After graduation he taught at a private school for a while and then became a clerk for the Wheaton Manufacturing Company of Norton.

At the outbreak of the Civil War, Mr. Barrows enlisted as a private in the Fourth Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers. After serving nearly a year under General Banks, near New Orleans, he was honorably discharged, August 28, 1863.

In 1865 he entered as bookkeeper the house of Taylor, Symonds & Co. in Providence, where he remained until December, 1868. He was then elected secretary and treasurer of the Firemen's Mutual Insurance Company and of the Union Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and in 1880 became president and treasurer of both companies. He continued in these offices until the close of his life, and was also president of the First National Bank until its absorption by the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company.

Deeply interested in educational and philanthropic matters, he was for thirty-four years deacon of the Central Congregational church, for several years treasurer of the Rhode Island Bible Society, for fifteen years treasurer of the Rhode Island Missionary Society, a trustee and treasurer of the Wheaton Seminary at Norton, president of the Charitable Fuel Society, and a member of the corporation of Butler Hospital, and of the Providence Athenæum.

Mr. Barrows was quiet and scholarly in his tastes, was particularly fond of historical studies, and had a large and varied collection of autographs and manuscripts which he began to gather when a young man,

He married, August 20, 1868, Harriet Eliza, a daughter of Dr. George B. Armington of Pittsford, Vermont, and had four children, Edwin A. Barrows, Dr. Albert A. Barrows, Miss Mary T. Barrows and Annie I., the wife of Dr. Walter Clark Seelye.

CHARLES ABBOTT DAVIS.

Charles Abbott Davis died at the Rhode Island Hospital on January 30, 1908, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Davis was born in Burlington, Vermont, March 24, 1868, and was the only child of George E. and Emma A. Davis. He was graduated from the Burlington High School in 1886 and from the Polytechnic Institute in Worcester in 1891.

After teaching for a year in Wilmington, Delaware, and in Atlanta, Georgia, two years in the Connecticut State Agricultural College, and nine years in the Technical High School, Providence, he was elected in 1904, on the death of James M. Southwick, curator of the Roger Williams Park Museum. Through his love for natural history and his energetic efforts the museum was greatly changed and brought to the high standard of efficiency which now distinguishes it.

In 1900 Mr. Davis visited the Paris Exposition and several countries of Europe in the interest of both natural science and mechanical engineering. In 1903 he spent his summer vacation in the Bermuda Islands, making collections and acquiring scientific knowledge. Mr. Davis had a fine collection of shells and was considered an authority on entomology. He was also the author of many monographs on scientific subjects, as well as of articles for natural history magazines.

Mr. Davis was the organizer of the Rhode Island Field Naturalists' Society, the Junior League of Improvement Societies, and the Roger Williams Athletic Club. He was also

a member of the Entomological Society of America, the American Society of Curio Collectors, the Agassiz Association, the Conchological Society of America, the Barnard Club, the Franklin Society, the American Civic Association, the Auburndale Improvement Society, the Public Park Association, and the New England Federation of Natural History Societies.

On September 5, 1894, Mr. Davis married Stella C. Chamberlain of Worcester and to them were born four children, three of whom are still living.

WILLIAM DAVIS ELY.

William Davis Ely, the oldest alumnus of Yale University, died at his home in Providence on June 12, 1908. He was born in Hartford, Connecticut, June 11, 1815, and was the son of William and Clarissa May (Davis) Ely. His grandfather, Robert Davis, took part in the "Boston Tea Party."

Mr. Ely was prepared for college in the Hopkins Grammar School of New Haven and received the degree of bachelor of arts from Yale in 1836, and that of master of arts in 1839. His father, William Ely, was graduated from Yale in 1787 and his grandfather, Reverend Richard Ely, in 1754. While a student at Yale, Mr. Ely not only studied law but took courses in the medical and theological schools. In 1839 he was appointed a tutor in Yale, and in 1842 travelled extensively in Europe. In 1843 he was admitted to the Connecticut bar and in 1849 to the bar of the United States Supreme Court.

In 1856 Mr. Ely retired from professional life but remained a member of several institutions and corporations. He entered the cotton business with the Allandale Company, which produced yarns, and was president and treasurer of the company up to the time of his death. He was a member of the Connecticut Historical Society, the Huguenot Society of America and the Huguenot Society of Oxford, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Churchman's Club, and the Hope Club.

His membership in the Rhode Island Historical Society extended over a period of fifty-six years, and he was a constant attendant at its meetings. For the last eighteen years he was chairman of the library committee and gave much attention to its duties. He was, indeed, better acquainted with the contents of the library than any one else, except the librarian. He left at his death a bequest of one thousand dollars to the Society to aid in printing historical documents.

Mr. Ely married in 1854 Anne Crawford, a daughter of Zachariah Allen, of Providence. She died in 1888. They had one son, William Ely.

HENRY LEHRE GREENE.

Henry Lehre Greene, president of the S. H. Greene and Sons Corporation, died suddenly at his residence in Riverpoint, February 12, 1908, in his eighty-third year. Mr. Greene belonged to the Greene family of Revolutionary fame and was the second son of Simon Henry and Caroline Cornelia (Aborn) Greene. He was born May 31, 1825, at the Aborn homestead in Providence and attended a private school until the family removed to Clyde in 1838. There at the age of fourteen he entered the cotton goods finishing plant founded by his father and Edward Pike. On the retirement of Mr. Pike, he assumed the general management of the factory, under the direction of his father. In 1865 he became a partner in the business under the firm name of S. H. Greene & Sons, and continued in the position of general manager until 1868, when the corporation was formed of which some years later he became the president.

Mr. Greene was president of the Phenix Savings Bank, a director of the Phenix Trust Company, one of the vice-presidents of the Union Trust Company and president of the Pawtuxet Valley Water Company. His large business interests did not prevent him from serving his town and state in numerous ways. He was a member of the Warwick town council, senator in the General Assembly, a member of the board of

state charities, and for several years the president of the state board of agriculture and of the Pawtuxet Valley Free Public Library. He also served as presidential elector in 1884.

Although taken from school at an early age, he made amends for the lack of scholastic training by diligent reading and, in his later years, travelled extensively in Europe and thus enlarged his range of observation and thought. Mr. Greene was a participant in the Dorr War and was with the state troops on their march from Providence. He was one of the best informed men in the state on matters of historical interest.

Mr. Greene married, August 13, 1849, Mary Gooding, daughter of Oliver C. Wilbur of Providence. She died in 1879, but three children survive him, Lucy A., wife of Benjamin A. Jackson; Caroline C., of Riverpoint; and Francis W. Greene, agent and treasurer of the Clyde Print Works. Like his father, Mr. Greene was a member of the Swedenborgian Church and was for many years president of the society near his home.

ELIZABETH C. HILL.

Mrs. Elizabeth Caroline Hill, widow of Thomas J. Hill, died at her home, 42 Lockwood Street, Providence, on December 19, 1908.

She was the daughter of John and Ruth Kenyon and was born in Hopkinton, November 9, 1828. In 1869 she married Mr. Hill, who died in 1894. She was closely identified with many of the beneficent and patriotic societies of Providence and took special interest in the Rhode Island and Homeopathic Hospitals, the Society for the Ministry to the Sick, the Home for Aged Men and the Bethany Home. She was a member of the Woman Suffrage Association and the Rhode Island Women's Club. She belonged to the Society of Friends, but was a constant attendant at the Mathewson Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

A step-daughter, Mrs. Amanda Pierce of New Bedford, survives her.

JOHN F. HUNTSMAN.

John F. Huntsman, for many years prominent in the business, social and religious life of Providence, died after a brief illness at his home, 37 South Angell Street, December 16, 1908. He was born near Burlington, New Jersey, June 21, 1839. He prepared for the occupation of teacher in the State Normal School of New Jersey, and taught for some time in the Newark Academy.

In 1863 he began business with the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company in the home office in Newark, but in 1880 removed with his family to Providence, and served as the representative of the company in this city until about two years ago.

Mr. Huntsman was president of the Rhode Island Missionary Society for twenty years, and was elected a member of the executive committee of the National Congregational Home Missionary Society in 1906. He was a member of the Art Club and the Economic Club, at one time was president of the Congregational Club and was a member and deacon of the Union Congregational Church. He became a member of the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1896.

Mr. Huntsman married, December 21, 1865, Zerrie S. Fitzgerald of Newark, who with four sons and four daughters survives him.

GEORGE W. R. MATTESON.

George W. R. Matteson, one of the best-known business men of Providence, died at his home, 485 Broadway, after a long illness, on November 15, 1908.

Mr. Matteson was the son of Cory and Martha (Richmond) Matteson and was born in Dighton, Massachusetts, in the Rose neighborhood, July 10, 1834. At the age of eleven he went with the rest of the family to Ballston Spa, New York, where they remained four years. In 1849 they returned to Dighton where they stayed a few months and then went to Sag Harbor, Long Island. Ten months later they went to

Pawtucket, arriving there in September, 1850. While living there he tended for one winter the toll-gate between Pawtucket and Providence. In 1853 he attended school and then became a clerk in the Pawtucket post office, and in 1856 entered the employment of the Fifield hardware and crockery firm. The next year he became a bookkeeper with the Blackstone Manufacturing Company, a position which he held for fourteen years.

In 1874 he was appointed executor and trustee of the John Carter Brown estate and remained in this position for the rest of his life. He was also a director in the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, the Providence National Bank, the Providence Gas Company and the Providence Institution for Savings. He was a trustee of the Providence Public Library, and a member of the Hope Club and the Squantum Association. He joined the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1889. He attended the Beneficent Congregational Church.

Mr. Matteson married, December 16, 1858, Emily Robinson, daughter of Willington and Lydia Robinson Kent of Pawtucket, and is survived by a son, Col. Frank W. Matteson, and a daughter, Mrs. Gilbert A. Phillips.

HORACE GEORGE MILLER.

Dr. Horace George Miller died suddenly in Camden, Maine, May 29, 1908. He was born in Pawtucket, April 6, 1840, and was the son of Horace and Elizabeth Borden (Munro) Miller. Among his ancestors were Isaac Stearns of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and John Howland of the Plymouth Colony. His early education was mostly by private tuition, but at the age of fifteen he entered the University Grammar School of Providence and was prepared for Brown University, from which he was graduated in 1860 with the degree of master of arts.

In 1861 he entered the army as commissary sergeant in one of the Rhode Island regiments. On his return from the war he became a student in the Harvard Medical School and in 1865 received his medical degree. He then served as assistant

surgeon to the United States Marine Hospital in Chelsea, Massachusetts, and began his ophthalmic career at the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston. After two years' study in Europe he opened, in 1868, an office in Providence, making a specialty of diseases of the eye and ear.

Dr. Miller became a fellow of the Rhode Island Medical Society in 1867, served as its president from 1886 to 1888, and was a much valued member of the library committee until the end of his life. He gave to the society his large collection of books on the eye and ear, a collection rich in files of special journals. He was also a member of the Providence Medical Association, the American Ophthalmological Association, the American Otological Society and the New England Ophthalmological Society. He was a fellow of the American Academy of Medicine, a member of the Brown University Medical Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Audubon Society, and from 1894 to 1897 vice-president of the Harvard Medical Alumni Association. Dr. Miller was a member and vestryman of St. John's Episcopal Church in Providence, and a member of the University Club. He was also, for many years, an expert examining surgeon for the United States Government.

After continued practice of thirty years, Dr. Miller's sight became seriously affected in 1898 from the development of a cataract, but an operation the following year was so successful that he was able to continue his practice until his retirement in 1905.

He married, on July 14, 1871, Helen, daughter of John Woods of Boston.

EDWARD I. NICKERSON.

Edward I. Nickerson died, after a brief illness, at his home, 71 Angell Street, on March 15, 1908. He was born in Pawtucket, at that time a part of Massachusetts, September 13, 1845, and was the only son of Sparrow H. and Elizabeth (Darling) Nickerson.

Mr. Nickerson was educated in the public schools of Pawtucket and Providence, and after studying architecture with Clinton A. Hall, established an office of his own. A large share of his attention was given to the construction of dwelling houses, among which, in this city, were William H. Thurber's home and Walter Richmond's house on Waterman Street. He also designed the chapel of the Beneficent Congregational Church on Chestnut Street and the Grace Memorial house in Olneyville. Mr. Nickerson travelled extensively, both in this country and abroad, and gathered a rare collection of articles of vertu. He had also a very fine architectural library.

He was a fellow of the American Institute of Architecture, and was one of the founders and for many years the secretary of the Rhode Island chapter of that organization. He was a member of the Hope Club, the University Club, the Agawam Hunt, the Squantum Association, the corporation of the Rhode Island School of Design and the Providence Art Club. He was also secretary of the board of trustees of the Providence Public Library.

He married, January 30, 1873, Lyra F. Brown, and leaves one daughter who bears the mother's name.

JOHN SIMMONS PALMER.

John Simmons Palmer died at his home, 271 Westminster Street, July 8, 1908. He was the son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Simmons) Palmer and was born in Newport, March 22, 1824. He was one of fourteen children, all of whom lived to middle age. The only one who survives him is Mrs. George Owen of Providence, now in her ninety-fourth year. In 1828, his father having been appointed the first keeper of the Dexter Asylum, the family removed to Providence.

Mr. Palmer, when a boy, worked on the farm and received some education in the public schools. At the age of sixteen he was apprenticed to the firm of G. and T. Owen, manufacturing jewelers, and according to the custom of that time served as an apprentice until the age of twenty-one.

In 1846 he began the jewelry business for himself, first with Christian Slave for four years, then with Lucius Sampson for two years and afterwards with Charles T. Capron from 1852 to 1891. Upon the retirement of Mr. Capron from business, Mr. Palmer formed a partnership with his son Julius and Fene-lon A. Pierce. This partnership continued until his death, but from 1905 he gradually retired from active business on account of failing eyesight, which finally resulted in complete blindness.

Mr. Palmer was a member of the Squantum Club and the Rhode Island Horticultural Society. His favorite recreation was the cultivation of fruit in his city garden or on his farm out of town.

He married, August 24, 1848, Frances M. Prentice of Nor-wich, Connecticut. She died on July 7, 1906, leaving one child, Julius Palmer.

MARIA STORRS PECK.

Maria Storrs Peck died at her home, 106 George Street, on Thursday, April 14, 1908, after a long and painful illness. She was the daughter of Allen O. and Mary E. Peck and was born in Providence, December 3, 1857. Miss Peck was edu-cated in the public schools of this city and first taught as an assistant in Miss Abbott's school, from 1889 to 1892. In 1895 she was an assistant teacher in rhetoric at Brown University, and in 1896 was assistant to the dean of the Women's Col-lege. In 1897 she received from Brown, upon examination, the degrees of bachelor of philosophy and master of arts. From 1897 to 1900 she was teacher of history and English at the Gilbert High School in Winsted, Connecticut. She spent the year 1900-1901 as a student in Paris; taught at Miss Wheeler's school in Providence from 1902 to 1904; studied in Germany in 1903, and taught in the Technical High School of Providence from 1904 to 1908. In all these varied labors she was eminently successful.

Miss Peck became a member of the Rhode Island Histori-

cal Society in 1907. One sister, Miss Elizabeth A. Peck, survives her.

GILBERT A. PHILLIPS.

Gilbert A. Phillips, president of the Providence Institution for Savings, died suddenly at his home, 485 Broadway, November 25, 1908.

Mr. Phillips was born on June 30, 1843, in Foster, Rhode Island. He was the son of Anthony and Huldah Marietta (Hopkins) Phillips. His education was received in the district schools of Foster and in the East Greenwich Academy.

In 1866 he came to Providence and became a clerk in the Mechanics Savings Bank, and in 1868 left that institution to become cashier of the Westminster Bank.

In April, 1872, he entered the Manufacturers' National Bank as a clerk, and in 1874 became cashier. After serving for a short time as vice-president he was made president in 1895, a position which he held until 1900. Under his management the Manufacturers' Bank became one of the strongest in New England, doing in 1899 the largest business of any National bank in the state. Before leaving the Manufacturers' Bank he completed its change from a bank to a trust company, and remained on the executive board for several years.

In 1900, William Goddard, the president of the Providence Institution for Savings, resigned and the finance committee unanimously offered the position as head of that institution to Mr. Phillips. He accepted the position and held it during the remainder of his life.

Mr. Phillips filled many other important positions of honor and trust in this city. He served as a member of the common council from 1893 to 1897, and was chairman of its finance committee. For many years he was a member of the board of directors of the Swan Point Cemetery Corporation and a director of the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company. He was a member of the Hope, Squantum, Central, Elmwood, Providence Art, Congregational and Commercial Clubs. He

was a prominent Mason and became a member of the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1891.

He married on April 13, 1870, Emma Burgess Dunbar of Providence, who died July 2, 1897, and on June 20, 1906, Ella R. Matteson, daughter of George W. R. Matteson.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN STEVENS.

Benjamin Franklin Stevens died at his home, 91 Pinckney Street, Boston, April 10, 1908. He was the son of Benjamin and Matilda (Sprague) Stevens and was born in Boston, March 6, 1824.

While a boy he attended several schools in that city and was graduated from the English High School, then under the charge of the distinguished teacher Thomas Sherwin, in 1839. After graduation he entered the employ of Hosmer & Tappan, hardware merchants, and remained with this firm and its successor for four years. In 1843 he entered the navy as a captain's clerk and was attached to the famous frigate "Constitution," under the command of Capt. John Percival. During his three years' term of service he made cruises to Asia, Africa, and South America.

On April 9, 1847, Mr. Stevens was elected secretary of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston, the first company in this country authorized to do a mutual life insurance business. In 1864 he was elected its vice-president, and in the following year, its president. On April 9, 1897, the officers and general agents of the company came together to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his connection with it, and presented him with a silver loving cup as a token of their esteem and affection. It was not until more than ten years later that death deprived them of his services.

Mr. Stevens took an active part in the intellectual and business life of Boston and was especially interested in matters pertaining to its history. He served the city as a member of the common council in 1855, 1865 and 1866. He was a prominent Mason, and was a member of the Temple Club, the

Union Club, the Merchants' Club, the Bunker Hill Monument Association, the Bostonian Society and a life member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society.

Trinity Church was Mr. Stevens's church home during the rectorship of Phillips Brooks and the two succeeding rectors, and in that church his funeral services were held. Mr. Stevens married, June 26, 1850, Catherine, daughter of Ezra Lincoln of Boston, and one daughter survives him.

ALFRED STONE.*

In the Providence Directory for 1859 appears for the first time the name of a man who for nearly fifty years, until his death on September 4, 1908, was to be identified with advancement in this city. The entry reads: "Alfred Stone, Architect, 15 Franklin House." This means that he was an assistant of Mr. Alpheus C. Morse, whose office was in that building in the corner room on the third floor.

Born in East Machias, Maine, July 29, 1834, the son of the Reverend Thomas Treadwell Stone and Laura Poor, his wife, Mr. Stone received a New England high school education, which he supplemented with some work in surveying at the Bowditch English High School in Salem, and with a study of the orders of architecture at Robert Connor's Art School in the same city. On May 3, 1852, Mr. Stone began his office work in Boston with the firm of Towle & Foster, men quite unknown to most of the profession to-day. He worked also with S. S. Woodcock and with Washburn & Brown, now equally unknown, and with Arthur Gilman, a man still famous, who is best known here as the designer of the Butler Exchange.

After some independent practice we find Mr. Stone, on March 1, 1859, in Providence with Mr. A. C. Morse. In March, 1864, he resumed his independent career by opening an office on lower Westminster Street, in a building now torn

*(Eulogy delivered by Mr. Norman M. Isham before the Rhode Island Historical Society, at its annual meeting, January 12, 1909.)

down, on the first floor of which was the well-known bookstore of Sidney S. Rider.

From this time on Mr. Stone continued to advance in the confidence and respect of his fellow-citizens. To recount his works would be tedious. In all the departments of architectural practice they are numerous, and they are still with us to testify to what he was and to what he did. He was one of a long line of masters of the art of building who have done their work in Providence. Perhaps he was not directly in the old line of succession which stretched from James C. Bucklin, through John Holden Greene and other links which we cannot now trace, to William Carpenter and John Smith the mason, the earliest craftsmen of the town. This was not because he was from another state, for, curiously enough, the greater number of our old carpenters and masons came here from elsewhere, but because his training differed so widely. He was an office-trained man, as distinguished from those older worthies who had begun their education by an apprenticeship to a carpenter, but he had, in common with all those men, that capacity for turning out careful and thorough work which has always characterized the craftsmen of Providence.

There is a phase of his character which we may almost say is the distinguishing trait of Mr. Stone. All architects come before the public with their works, but not all architects are public men. Mr. Stone was a public man. He not only represented the architect in his relation to the individual client, but he was the representative of the profession in its relation to the whole community. Mr. Stone, with all his other activities, stood before the public as an advocate of all architectural and civic improvement, a man who, besides his interest in his own special employers, took the public for his client and brought the whole power of the profession he represented to bear upon the problems the public is trying or ought to be trying to solve.

That Mr. Stone did this often, at first, to a public which was not ready for his ideas and was annoyed at his persistence cannot be denied. It is the lot of all who are ahead of their

time. It is also true that Mr. Stone lived to receive the endorsement of men who had called him "crank" and to have his public spirit appreciated by his fellow citizens. There can be no doubt that this appreciation will be greater as time goes on.

Mr. Stone joined this Society in 1881. Always interested in our work, he took as his special field the older architects and builders of the city and town, their lives and their buildings. Into the material affairs of the Society he entered heartily, bringing to the care of its interests all the energy, the judgment and the executive skill which he brought to his own practice. Memorials of him are not only the visible parts of this building, the room in which we are and the wings on the east and the west, but the constant care, the faithful attention to detail which, as a member since January, 1903, of the committee on grounds and buildings, he gave to the work of that committee, no matter how small the business in hand might be. No project for the betterment of the organization ever lacked his aid; no weariness with his own toil ever kept his hand from the welfare of this Society.

The Rhode Island Historical Society honored Mr. Stone not only as one of its older members, not only as one whose knowledge and experience were always at its command, not only as a public-spirited citizen, not only as a famous architect, but as a man of solid worth, of sturdy honesty, of incorruptible integrity.

EDGAR SHEPHARD THAYER.

Edgar Shephard Thayer, one of the oldest deputy sheriffs in the state in point of active service, died at his home, 97 Benevolent Street, on May 21, 1908.

Mr. Thayer was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 21, 1838, and was the son of Azariah and Saphronia (Reed) Thayer and a lineal descendant on his mother's side of one of the original members of Plymouth Colony. He was educated in the public schools of Taunton and in Norton.

Mr. Thayer came to Rhode Island in 1863, and was a member of the Pawtucket police force when that city was a town and of the Providence police force from 1872 to 1879. He afterwards opened a railroad ticket and old coin store on Weybosset Street, and later took charge of the gun department in Thomas W. Gorton's store on Westminster Street. After this he entered the office of the sheriff of Providence County as one of the deputies, and usually announced, from the balcony of the State House, the formal declaration of the election of the governor and other state officers chosen upon popular ballot. He had a very complete collection of fire arms, ancient and modern, and was one of the most expert hunters and fishermen of this section.

Mr. Thayer married in Taunton, October 27, 1859, Mary Frances Titus of Newport, who died two years ago. Two children survive him, Miss Gertrude Lucretia and Edwin L. Thayer.

JAMES GARDINER VOSE.

Rev. James Gardiner Vose, D.D., pastor emeritus of the Beneficent Congregational Church in Providence, died at his home, 29 Brown Street, March 13, 1908.

Dr. Vose was born in Boston, March 3, 1830, and was the son of Col. Josiah Vose of the United States army and grandson of Col. Joseph Vose, commander of the First Massachusetts Regiment in the Revolution. Soon after his birth his father was ordered to Fort Towson in Texas and at this post the boy spent part of his early life. After his return to Boston he was a student in the Worcester Military Academy and at Phillips Academy. He was graduated from Yale in the class of 1851, and from Andover Theological Seminary in 1854. From 1855 to 1864 he was professor of rhetoric and English literature in Amherst College, and while holding this position was ordained to the ministry, October 27, 1857.

Dr. Vose preached for a year in Dorchester, and in 1866 was called to the pastorate of the Beneficent Congregational

Church in Providence, a position which he held for nearly thirty-five years. Under his ministry the church prospered, and from its membership several other churches were formed. Much to the regret of his congregation he resigned his pastoral office, April 22, 1900, having reached his seventieth year, and was appointed pastor emeritus. Dr. Vose was much interested in the early history of the church and in 1893, at the time of its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary, published his "Memorial of the Beneficent Congregational Church." In 1894 he published "Sketches of Congregationalism in Rhode Island." On February 25, only a few weeks before his death, he read a paper before the Rhode Island Historical Society upon "Reminiscences of some Providence Ministers."

Dr. Vose was an honorary graduate of Brown University, of the class of 1874, a trustee of Phillips Academy, Exeter, a trustee of the Andover Theological Seminary, and a member of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. He also took a deep interest in the State Home and School for Dependent Children, of whose board he was a member for sixteen years and the chairman since 1905. He became a member of the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1881, and was one of the most constant attendants at its meetings and one of its most interesting speakers.

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 Anthony, Albert L., Providence.
 Arnold, Alexander S., Providence.
 Arnold, George C., Providence.
 Arnold, Henry T., Norwich, Ct.
 Arnold, James N., Providence.
 Arnold, Stephen H., Providence.
 Ashton, Joseph N., Salem.
 Atwood, Mrs. F. A. D., New Boston.
 Austin, John O., Providence.
 Austin, Katherine H., Providence.
 Balch, Thomas W., Philadelphia.
 Baldwin, Simeon E., New Haven.
 Bartlett, Mrs. John R., Providence.
 Bates, Mrs. Francis E., Oak Lawn.
 Bicknell, Thomas W., Providence.
 Bliss, Richard, Newport.
 Blodgett, John T., Providence.
 Briggs, Benjamin F., Providence.
 Brigham, Clarence S., Providence.
 Burlingame, Joseph P., Lakewood.
 Butler, Mrs. William, Providence.
 Chace, Mrs. Lewis J., Providence.
 Champlin, Edward P., New Shoreham.
 Chapin, Charles V., Providence.
 Chapin, Howard M., Providence.
 Chapin, William W., Providence.
 Chase, T. Frederick, Providence.
 Chase, Philip S., Providence.
 Clark, Franklin C., Providence.
 Clarke, William E., Providence.
 Cushing, Anne C., Providence.
 Davis, Andrew McF., Cambridge.</p> | <p>Davis, Gherardi, New York.
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 Doyle, Sarah E., Providence.
 Drowne, Henry B., New York.
 Durfee, Sarah C., Providence.
 Eaton, Amasa M., Providence.
 Ely, William D., Providence.
 Fisher, Mrs. George P., New Haven.
 Fiske, George McC., Providence.
 Forbes, Mrs. William T., Worcester.
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 Gardner, Henry B., Providence.
 Gladding, Jesse G., Riverside.
 Goold, Nathan, Portland.
 Granger, Daniel L. D., Providence.
 Granger, William S., Providence.
 Green, Samuel A., Boston.
 Greene, George S., Jr., New York.
 Greene, Mary A., Providence.
 Guild, Georgiana, Providence.
 Hammond, Misses, Wickford.
 Harris, Robert, Pomfret.
 Hart, Charles H., Philadelphia.
 Hersey, George D., Providence.
 Higgins, James H., Pawtucket.
 Hodges, Almon D., Jr., Boston.
 Hopkins, Charles W., Providence.
 Howe, Archibald M., Cambridge.
 Hoyt, David W., Providence.
 Huidekoper, Edgar, Meadville, Pa.
 Jameson, J. Franklin, Washington.
 Kendall, Oliver, Providence.
 King, George F. J., Providence.
 King, Henry M., Providence.
 Lincoln, Laura E., estate, Providence.</p> |
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- Lippitt, Mrs. Charles W., Providence.
 Littlefield, Nathan W., Pawtucket.
 Luther, Sterry K., Johnston.
 MacDonald, William, Providence.
 Mason, George C., Ardmore, Pa.
 Mason, Orray T., Providence.
 Mitchell, J. Alfred, Boston.
 Morris, Seymour, Chicago.
 Moseley, W. H. T., Providence.
 Mowry, Don E., Madison.
 Mowry, William A., Hyde Park.
 Munro, Wilfred H., Providence.
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 Pabodie, Benjamin F., Montclair.
 Poland, William C., Providence.
 Porter, Helen Talbot, Providence.
 Preston, Howard W., Providence.
 Ranger, Walter E., Providence.
 Read, James R., Providence.
 Read, Walter A., Providence.
 Rhodes, Christopher, Providence.
 Richman, Irving B., Muscatine.
 Rider, Sidney S., Providence.
 Rose, Henry B., Providence.
 Sackett, Frederic M., Providence.
 Salley, A. S., Jr., Columbia, S. C.
 Sanders, Charles W., New York.
 Shedd, J. Herbert, Providence.
 Shepard, Misses, Melrose.
 Shepley, George L., Providence.
 Slade, Walter F., Providence.
 Slater, James S., Slatersville.
 Smiley, Albert K., Lake Mohonk.
 Smith, David W., Manville.
 Snow, Louis F., Montclair.
 Spicer, William A., Providence.
 Thayer, Gertrude L., Providence.
 Thompson, Slason, Chicago.
 Thorp, Thomas, Providence.
 Tillinghast, John A., Providence.
 Towles, John K., Urbana, Ill.
 Tracy, Louise, Short Beach, Ct.
 Tucker, Edward T., New Bedford.
 Updike, D. Berkeley, Boston.
 Ward, Annie J., Worcester.
 Webb, George H., Providence.
 Webb, Samuel H., Providence.
 Weeden, William B., Providence.
 Whitmarsh, Henry A., Providence.
 Wilcox, Edward, Providence.
 Wilcox, Ethan, Westerly.
 Winship, George P., Providence.
 Woods, Henry E., Boston.

SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS WHOSE PUBLICATIONS HAVE
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| American Jewish Historical Society | Boston Cemetery Department |
| American Library Association | Boston City Auditor |
| American Philosophical Society | Boston Public Library |
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| Ancient and Honorable Artillery
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 Brown University
 Bunker Hill Monument Association
 Butler Hospital
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 Chicago Historical Society
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 Cincinnati, University of
 Colorado, University of
 Columbia University
 Connecticut Historical Society
 Dauphin County Historical Society
 Delaware Historical Society
 District of Columbia, Deutsche Historische Gesellschaft
 Essex Institute
 Gorham Manufacturing Company
 Hartford Theological Seminary
 Harvard University
 Hyde Park Historical Society
 Illinois State Historical Society
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 Indiana State Library
 Iowa Historical Department
 Iowa State Historical Society
 Ipswich Historical Society
 Kansas Historical Society
 Kentucky Historical Society
 Library of Congress
 Lowell Historical Society
 Louisiana Historical Society
 Maine Historical Society
 Maine State Library
 Manchester Historic Association
 Maryland Historical Society
 Massachusetts Historical Society
 Massachusetts Railroad Commissioners
 Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants
 Medford Historical Society
 Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society
 Michigan State Library
 Minnesota Historical Society
 Missouri Historical Society
 Missouri State Historical Society
 Nantucket Historical Association
 Nebraska Historical Association
 New England Historic-Genealogical Society
 New England Society in the City of New York
 New Hampshire Historical Society
 New Hampshire State Library
 New Haven Colony Historical Society
 New Jersey Historical Society
 New Mexico Historical Society
 New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
 New York Public Library
 New York Society of Mayflower Descendants
 New York State Historical Association
 New York State Library
 Newberry Library
 Newport Mercury
 Niagara Historical Society
 North Carolina Historical Society
 North Dakota State Historical Society
 Nova Scotia Historical Society
 Ohio Archæological and Historical Society
 Ohio Church History Society
 Ohio Historical and Philosophical Society
 Oklahoma Historical Society
 Old Colony Historical Society
 Old Dartmouth Historical Society
 Old Eliot Historical Society
 Old North West Genealogical Society
 Peabody Historical Society
 Pennsylvania, Genealogical Society of

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 Pennsylvania, University of
 Philadelphia, Library Company of
 Princeton University
 Providence Athenæum
 Providence Board of Trade
 Providence City Auditor
 Providence Club for Colonial Reprints
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 Works
 Providence Journal Company
 Providence Medical Association
 Providence Public Library
 Providence Record Commissioners
 Providence School Committee
 Quebec Literary and Historical So-
 ciety
 Quinabaug Historical Society
 Ragione Nuova
 Red Guide
 Rhode Island—Adjutant-General
 Agriculture, Board of
 Bank Commissioner
 Barbers, State Board of Examin-
 ers of
 Birds, Commissioners of
 Charities and Corrections, State
 Board of
 College
 Dams and Reservoirs, Commis-
 sioner of
 Education, Board of
 Embalming, State Board of Reg-
 istration in
 Executive Department
 Factory Inspectors
 Forestry, Commissioner of
 General Assembly
 General Treasurer
 Health, Board of
 Institute for the Deaf, Board of
 Trustees of
 Insurance Commissioner
 Pharmacy, State Board of
- Rhode Island—
 Railroad Commissioner
 Soldiers' Relief, State Board of
 State House Commission
 State Library
 Supreme Court
 United States Volunteer Life-sav-
 ing Corps
 Weights, Measures and Balances,
 State Sealer of
 Rhode Island Baptist State Convention
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 sociation
 Rhode Island Issue
 Rhode Island Medical Society
 Rhode Island School of Design
 Rhode Island Society, Daughters of
 the American Revolution
 Roger Williams Park Museum
 Royal Historical Society
 Royal Society of Northern Anti-
 quaries
 St. Elizabeth Home
 Sharon Historical Society
 Smithsonian Institution
 South Carolina Historical Society
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 ciety of
 Southern Historical Association
 Southern Historical Society
 Swan Point Cemetery
 Swedish-American Historical Society
 Tennessee, University of
 Texas State Historical Association
 Topsfield Historical Society
 Toronto, University of
 Trinity College
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 United States Government
 Vermont Historical Society
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 Vermont, University of
 Virginia Historical Society

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JANUARY, 1909.

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1888. James Burrill Angell,
 1895. Charles Francis Adams,
 1898. James Phinney Baxter,
 1902. John Franklin Jameson,
 1902. Elisha Benjamin Andrews,
 1902. Oscar Solomon Straus,
 1904. Irving Berdine Richman,

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 Boston, Mass.
 Portland, Me.
 Washington, D. C.
 Lincoln, Neb.
 New York, N. Y.
 Muscatine, Iowa.

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1859. Samuel Coffin Eastman,
 1867. Samuel Abbott Green,
 1867. Frederic Augustus Holden,
 1870. Samuel Arnold Briggs,
 1875. Percy Daniels,
 1875. C. Mason Kinnie,
 1878. Asa Bird Gardiner,
 1878. Robert Alonzo Brock,
 1878. John Austin Stevens,
 1879. Thomas Wentworth Higginson,
 1879. Ray Greene Huling,
 1880. James Grant Wilson,
 1880. Thomas Williams Bicknell,
 1882. Wilfred Harold Munro,
 1882. Leander Cornelius Manchester,
 1882. Charles Henry Hart,

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 Boston, Mass.
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 Chicago, Ill.
 Carthage, Mo.
 San Francisco, Cal.
 New York, N. Y.
 Richmond, Va.
 Newport, R. I.
 Cambridge, Mass.
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 New York, N. Y.
 Providence, R. I.
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 Lowell, Mass.
 Philadelphia, Pa.

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1883.	Stephen Denison Peet,
1884.	Abner Cheney Goodell,
1884.	Adolphus Skinner Hubbard,
1885.	Franklin Bowditch Dexter,
1885.	Peter Butler Olney,
1885.	Richard Olney,
1885.	William Augustus Mowry,
1887.	George Alfred Raikes,
1888.	Abby Isabel (Brown) Bulkley,
1889.	William Henry Watson,
1890.	Franklin Pierce Rice,
1890.	William Harden,
1891.	Henry Fitz Gilbert Waters,
1891.	William Warner Hoppin,
1891.	Isaac Pitman Noyes,
1892.	Henry Herbert Edes,
1893.	Clarence Winthrop Bowen,
1893.	Alfred Manchester,
1894.	Charles Phelps Noyes,
1895.	Stanislaus Murray Hamilton,
1895.	David Fisher,
1897.	William Ashmead Courtenay,
1897.	Ellen D. Larned,
1898.	Henry Sweetser Burrage,
1899.	William Copley Winslow,
1902.	Charles Howard Shinn,

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New Haven, Conn.
New York, N. Y.
Boston, Mass.
Hyde Park, Mass.
London, England.
Brooklyn, N. Y.
Utica, N. Y.
Worcester, Mass.
Savannah, Ga.
Salem, Mass.
New York, N. Y.
Washington, D. C.
Boston, Mass.
New York, N. Y.
Salem, Mass.
St. Paul, Minn.
Washington, D. C.
Kalamazoo, Mich.
Newry, S. C.
Thompson, Conn.
Portland, Me.
Boston, Mass.
Niles, Cal.

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1907. Abbot, Charles Wheaton, Jr.
 1897. Addeman, Joshua Melancthon
 1874. Aldrich, Nelson Wilmarth
 1905. Aldrich, William Fosdick
 1875. *Ames, William
 1907. Angell, Jesse Healey
 1897. Angell, John Wilmarth
 1893. Angell, Walter Foster
 1908. Anthony, Albert Lee
 1897. Anthony, Edwin Perkins
 1903. Arnold, Caroline F.
 1894. Arnold, Fred Augustus
 1889. Arnold, Frederick William
 1889. Arnold, Newton Darling
 1877. Arnold, Stephen Harris
 1881. *Austin, John Osborne
 1902. Avery, Morris H.
 1901. Baker, Albert Allison
 1901. Baker, Esther Hinckley
 1903. *Baker, George Towne
 1898. Baker, William Cotter
 1890. Ballou, William Herbert
 1891. Barker, Frederick Augustus
 1909. Barnes, Harry Lee
 1902. Barrows, Arthur Channing
 1879. Barton, William Turner
 1899. Bates, Frank Greene
 1883. Bates, Isaac Comstock
 1908. Bates, Louise Prosser
 1894. Bates, William Lincoln
 1898. Beach, Charles Horace
 1909. Bennett, Mark Newton
 1858. Binney, William
 1901. Blanchard, Edward Richmond

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1890. Blodgett, John Taggard
 1903. Blumer, George Alder
 1907. Bosworth, Orrin Luther
 1894. Bourn, Augustus Osborne
 1907. Bowen, Charles Wetter
 1898. Bowen, Charles William
 1901. Bowen, Henry
 1872. *Bowen, Holder Borden
 1907. Bowen, Richard Martin
 1901. *Brayton, Charles Ray
 1901. Brayton, Walter Francis
 1893. Briggs, Benjamin Franklin
 1899. Brigham, Clarence Saunders
 1908. Brigham, Herbert Olin
 1894. Brown, Albert Waterman
 1904. Brown, Cyrus Perrin
 1883. Brown, D. Russell
 1883. Brown, H. Martin
 1900. Brown, Nathaniel Howland
 1899. Brown, Robert Perkins
 1901. Budlong, John Clarke
 1901. Bugbee, Elizabeth Dorrance
 1896. Bullock, Emma Westcott
 1908. Burchard, Roswell B.
 1905. Burdick, Frank Elisha
 1906. Burlingame, Edwin Aylesworth
 1907. Burlingame, Edwin Harris
 1901. Calder, Albert Lawton, 2d
 1859. Calder, George Beckford
 1891. *Callender, Walter
 1905. Callender, Walter Reid
 1905. Campbell, Jere
 1874. Carpenter, Francis Wood
 1897. Carrington, Edward
 1907. Carroll, William

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1889. Catlin, Charles Albert
 1894. Chace, Henry Richmond
 1888. Chace, James Hervey
 1880. Chace, Jonathan
 1892. Chace, Lucretia Gifford
 1906. Chace, Sarah F. C.
 1895. *Chaffee, Hattie Budlong
 1884. Chapin, Charles Value
 1892. Chapin, William Waterman
 1880. Chase, Julian A.
 1887. Clafin, Arthur Whitman
 1909. Clark, Edward Stimson
 1905. Clark, Franklin Chase
 1895. Clark, Harry Clinton
 1897. Clarke, Jennie Miles
 1880. Coats, James
 1904. Cole, Frederick Bradford
 1885. Collins, George Lewis
 1906. Colt, Samuel Pomeroy
 1890. Comstock, Louis Hall
 1886. Comstock, Richard Williams
 1891. Conant, Samuel Morris
 1872. Congdon, Johns Hopkins
 1898. Cranston, Francis Augustus
 1906. Crowell, Asa Clinton
 1903. *Cushing, Adoniram Judson
 1906. Dana, Frederick Irving
 1886. *Danielson, John W.
 1901. Darling, George Curtis
 1886. Dart, Edward Merrill
 1891. Davis, Henry Richard
 1890. *Daval, Joseph
 1887. Day, Albert Clifford
 1894. Day, Frank Leslie
 1894. Day, Henry Gould
 1906. Dennis, Arthur Wellington
 1895. Dexter, Elizabeth Bridg-
 ham
 1902. Dexter, George Washington
 1901. Dexter, Henry Clinton
 1899. Dodge, Martha Ann
 1901. Doran, John

ELECTED.

1877. Dorrance, Sam'l Richmond
 1882. Douglas, Wm. Wilberforce
 1900. Dowling, Austin
 1903. Drowne, Frederick Eugene
 1897. Dubois, Edward Church
 1894. *Duncan, William Butler
 1875. Dunnell, William Wanton
 1908. Dyer, Sarah Elizabeth
 1906. Easton, Frederick Willard
 1872. *Eaton, Amasa Mason
 1905. Eddy, William Joseph
 1904. Edwards, Stephen Ostrom
 1876. *Ely, William
 1908. Emerson, Frank Wells
 1907. Estes, William Wood
 1858. *Everett, Richmond Pearl
 1892. Farnsworth, John Prescott
 1900. Faunce, William H. P.
 1908. Feeley, William J.
 1901. Fenner, Herbert Nicholas
 1890. Fiske, George McClellan
 1885. FitzGerald, Ormond Edward
 1893. Flint, Susan Amelia
 1903. Folsom, Herbert Arthur
 1904. Ford, William Henry
 1906. Foster, Charles Samuel
 1891. Foster, John
 1905. Foster, Joseph Henry
 1900. Foster, Theodore W.
 1881. Foster, William Eaton
 1903. *Freeman, James Francis
 1906. Freeman, John Ripley
 1897. Freeman, Joseph Wood
 1875. Gammell, Robert Ives
 1884. Gammell, William
 1889. Gardner, Henry Brayton
 1889. Gardner, Rathbone
 1902. Gladding, Henry Coggeshall
 1894. Goddard, Elizabeth Cass
 1880. Goddard, Robert Hale Ives
 1883. Goodwin, Daniel
 1907. Gorton, Adelos
 1903. Gorton, George Olney

ELECTED.

1894. Gottschalk, Mary H. B. von
 1891. Granger, Daniel Larned
 Davis
 1893. Granger, William Smith
 1891. Grant, Henry Tyler
 1897. Green, Theodore Francis
 1893. Greene, Charles William
 1893. Greene, Edward Aborn
 1906. Greene, William Chace
 1877. Greene, William Maxwell
 1899. Greenwood, Harriet Webb
 1896. Grieve, Robert
 1899. Griffin, Thomas Jefferson
 1900. Guild, Georgiana
 1878. Hall, Robert
 1901. Harris, Robert
 1898. Harris, Walter Douglas
 1904. Harrison, George Arnold
 1895. Harrison, Joseph LeRoy
 1889. Hart, George Thomas
 1907. Hart, William Octave
 1901. Hayes, Frederic
 1894. *Hazard, Caroline
 1888. Hazard, Rowland Gibson
 1903. Hazard, Samuel Anthony
 1881. Hersey, George Dallas
 1901. Hodgman, William Lansing
 1907. Holden, George James
 1908. Hoopes, Wilford Lawrence
 1892. Hopkins, Charles Wyman
 1897. Hoppin, William Anthony
 1901. Horton, Leonard Wheaton
 1891. Howe, Marc Antony De-
 Wolf
 1898. Hoxie, Frederick Jerome
 1882. Hoyt, David Webster
 1889. Hudson, James Smith
 1901. Humphrey, George
 1901. Hunt, Horatio Allen
 1896. Isham, Norman Morrison
 1906. Jackson, Benjamin Mann
 1882. Jackson, William Francis
 Bennett

ELECTED.

1898. Jenckes, John
 1897. Jepherson, George Arthur
 1900. Jillson, Francello George
 1880. Jones, Augustine
 1899. *Keach, Mary Alice
 1901. Kelley, Arthur Livingston
 1880. Kenyon, James Stanton
 1902. Kimball, Charles Dean
 1900. Kimball, Gertrude Selwyn
 1892. Kimball, Horace Arnold
 1902. Kimball, Sarah Dexter
 1907. King, George Farquhar
 Jones
 1885. *King, George Gordon
 1892. King, Henry Melville
 1884. King, William Dehon
 1897. Knight, Amelia Sumner
 1879. Knight, Edward Balch
 1905. Knox, Horatio Bickford
 1894. Koopman, Harry Lyman
 1901. Lawton, George Robert
 1901. Lee, Thomas Zanslaur
 1890. Leete, George Farmer
 1892. Lincoln, Ferdinand August-
 ine
 1878. Lippitt, Charles Warren
 1898. Littlefield, Nathan Whit-
 man
 1891. Lord, Augustus Mendon
 1901. Lyman, Richard E.
 1901. MacDonald, William
 1907. Maine, Herbert Ephraim
 1892. Mason, A. Livingston
 1877. Mason, Eugene Waterman
 1896. Mason, Fletcher Stone
 1877. Mason, John Hale
 1895. McCabe, Anthony
 1883. Meader, Lewis Hamilton
 1901. Metcalf, Harold
 1890. Moulton, Edmund T.
 1901. Mowry, Wendell Axtell
 1906. Mumford, Charles Carney
 1906. Munro, Arthur Earle

ELECTED.

1901. Munro, Walter Lee
 1881. Munro, Wilfred Harold
 1894. Nicholson, Samuel Mowry
 1874. Nightingale, Geo. Corliss
 1897. Nightingale, Geo. Corliss, Jr.
 1894. *Noyes, Charles Phelps
 1897. Noyes, Robert Fanning
 1897. Olney, George Henry
 1909. Paddock, Miner Hamlin
 1885. Page, Charles Harris
 1906. Paige, Henry
 1899. Peckham, William Mackey
 1875. Pegram, John Combe
 1903. Peirce, Augustus Richmond
 1905. Perry, Charles Manchester
 1907. Philbrick, Charles Horace
 1899. Poland, William Carey
 1878. Porter, Emory Huntington
 1901. Potter, Dexter Burton
 1887. Preston, Howard Willis
 1906. Ranger, Walter Eugene
 1906. Rathbun, Elmer Jeremiah
 1902. Rawson, Thomas Brownell
 1906. Reynolds, Walter Nichols
 1896. Rhodes, Christopher
 1900. Rhodes, William Conrad
 1877. Richmond, Walter
 1898. Rickard, Abbie Smith Weld
 1891. Ripley, James Morrison
 1898. Rivers, Mary
 1895. *Rodman, Robert
 1881. Roelker, William Greene
 1888. Rogers, Arthur
 1906. Rönne, George Washington
 1906. Rousmaniere, Edmund
 Swett
 1890. Rugg, Henry Warren
 1899. Sears, Adeline Harris
 1907. Sharpe, Henry Dexter
 1903. *Sharpe, Louisa Dexter
 1902. Sharpe, Lucian
 1908. Shaw, Emma Buzzell
 1874. Shedd, Joel Herbert

ELECTED.

1881. Sheffield, William Paine, Jr.
 1885. Sheldon, Nicholas
 1898. Shepard, Elizabeth Ann
 1879. Shepley, George Leander
 1899. *Sherman, William Watts
 1908. Shippee, Lester Burrell
 1906. Sisson, Charles
 1897. Slade, Susan Elizabeth
 1900. Slater, James S.
 1906. Small, Walter Herbert
 1902. Smith, Charles Morris
 1907. Smith, Charles Warren
 1908. Smith, David Wilkinson
 1875. Smith, Edwin Augustus
 1901. Smith, Nathaniel Waite
 1907. Smith, Robert Morton
 1897. Smith, Walter Burges
 1881. Spooner, Henry Joshua
 1888. Stark, Charles Rathbone
 1906. Stearns, Walter Henry
 1908. Stillman, Elisha Coggeshall
 1878. Stiness, John Henry
 1899. Stockwell, George Appleton
 1901. Stokes, Howard Kemble
 1901. Studley, J. Edward
 1886. Sturges, Howard Okie
 1907. Sullivan, James Edmund
 1903. Sumner, Arthur Preston
 1908. Swan, Frank Herbert
 1873. *Swan, Jarvis Bowen
 1894. Swarts, Gardner Taber
 1902. Sweetland, William Howard
 1896. Taft, Orray
 1856. Taft, Royal Chapin
 1901. Taft, Royal Chapin, Jr.
 1908. Thayer, Gertrude Lucretia
 1881. Thomas, Charles Lloyd
 1901. Thornley, William Henry
 1890. Thornton, George Mumford
 1889. Tillinghast, James
 1898. Tillinghast, William Rich-
 mond
 1907. Tingley, Samuel Herbert

ELECTED.

1901. Tingley, Rowena P. B.
 1890. Tower, James Henry
 1908. Tufts, Susan Cotton
 1885. Updike, Daniel Berkeley
 1896. Vincent, Walter Borodell
 1903. Warner, Clarence MacDon-
 ald
 1906. Warren, Charles Henry
 1901. Warren, Joseph Draper
 1899. Washburn, Mary Fessenden
 1901. Waterman, Lewis Anthony
 1906. Watson, Arthur Hamilton
 1906. Watson, Byron Sprague
 1901. Watson, John Jay, Jr.
 1890. Webb, Samuel Herbert
 1868. Weeden, William Babcock
 1887. Welling, Richard Ward
 Greene

ELECTED.

1894. Weston, George Franklin
 1885. *Wetmore, George Peabody
 1889. *White, Hunter Carson
 1896. White, Willis H.
 1903. Whitehouse, John Seinior
 1892. *Wilbour, Linda Olney
 1903. Wilbour, Victor
 1900. Wilkinson, Anna Reed
 1907. Williams, William Fred-
 erick
 1901. Wilson, Alfred
 1888. Wilson, George Grafton
 1909. Wing, William Arthur
 1895. Winship, George Parker
 1897. Woods, John Carter Brown
 1907. Woodward, Elbert Warren

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PROCEEDINGS

APRIL, 1909, TO JANUARY, 1910.

QUARTERLY MEETING, APRIL 6, 1909.

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian and cabinet-keeper was read and ordered placed on file.

Mr. Winship reported verbally for the library committee, as to the changes being made in the disposition of the books in the cabinet.

The nominating committee reported the name of Frederick W. Allen for membership, and he was elected a member of the Society.

The Society then adjourned.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JULY 6, 1909.

In the absence of the president, Vice-President MacDonald in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian and cabinet-keeper was read and ordered placed on file.

The nominating committee reported the name of Charles Mason Young for membership, and he was elected a member of the Society.

The Treasurer reported the receipt of one thousand dollars in payment of the legacy of that amount to this Society under the will of William D. Ely ; whereupon it was

Resolved, That this Society accept the legacy of one thousand dollars under the will of William D. Ely, paid to this Society by the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company and William Ely, executors.

Resolved, that the secretary send a copy of the above resolution to the executors.

The treasurer further reported the receipt of three thousand dollars in payment of the legacy of that amount to this Society under the will of William H. Potter ; whereupon it was

Resolved, That this Society gratefully accepts from James A. Ross and Mary L. M. Potter, executors under the will of William H. Potter, the legacy of three thousand dollars paid to this Society by said executors.

Resolved, That the secretary send a copy of this vote to the executors.

The treasurer further reported the receipt of one thousand dollars in payment of the legacy of that amount to this Society under the will of Charles H. Atwood ; whereupon it was

Resolved, That this Society gratefully accepts the legacy of one thousand dollars received from Charles B. Tyler, executor under the will of Charles H. Atwood.

The secretary reported the appointment by the President of the following committee on securing the insertion of the name of Roger Williams in the Hall of Fame, under the resolution adopted at the meeting of this Society held October 2, 1906 :

Nelson W. Aldrich	William W. Douglas
William Ames	Edward C. Dubois
Walter F. Angell	Amasa M. Eaton
Stephen H. Arnold	William E. Foster
John O. Austin	Robert I. Gammell
William C. Baker	Robert H. I. Goddard
John T. Blodgett	Theodore F. Green
Augustus O. Bourn	Rowland G. Hazard
Charles R. Brayton	Henry M. King
Clarence S. Brigham	Charles Warren Lippitt
Cyrus Perrin Brown	Nathan W. Littlefield
D. Russell Brown	Augustus M. Lord
Robert P. Brown	William MacDonald
Henry R. Chace	Walter L. Munro
Jonathan Chace	Wilfred H. Munro
William W. Chapin	J. Marsden Perry
Dexter B. Potter	James Tillinghast
Walter Richmond	William R. Tillinghast
Charles Morris Smith	William B. Weedon
Nathaniel W. Smith	George P. Wetmore
Henry J. Spooner	George P. Winship

The Society then adjourned.

QUARTERLY MEETING, OCTOBER 5, 1909.

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian and cabinet-keeper was read and ordered placed on file.

On behalf of the lecture committee, the President announced that a series of lectures on the Towns of Rhode Island would be delivered during the coming winter.

Mr. Isham, on behalf of the committee on buildings and grounds, reported that prismatic glass had been placed in the east and west rooms, resulting in great improvement in lighting.

The Society then adjourned.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 11, 1910.

The eighty-eighth annual meeting was held Tuesday evening, January 11, 1910, in the cabinet, the President, Wilfred H. Munro, in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian and cabinet-keeper was read and ordered placed on file.

The nominating committee reported, recommending that Addison Pierce Munroe and Elizabeth Bridgham Dexter be admitted to membership in this Society. Upon motion passed unanimously, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for their admission to membership, and upon his so doing, they were declared elected.

The report of the treasurer was read and ordered placed on file.

The publication committee reported the publication of a volume of the "Proceedings" for 1906-7.

The report of the committee on grounds and buildings was read by Mr. Isham, and ordered placed on file.

The committee appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year presented the list of nominees (to be found on page 5 of this number of the Proceedings).

On motion, duly seconded, the secretary putting the motion, Wilfred H. Munro was elected president for the ensuing year.

On motion, duly seconded, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for the other officers and members of committees, and upon his doing so, they were declared elected.

Mr. Brown made a verbal report, on behalf of the finance committee, upon the excellent financial condition of the Society.

On motion of Rev. Samuel H. Webb, it was

Resolved, That, for the current year, the president, two vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, librarian, and the chairmen of the several standing committees shall constitute an executive committee, at whose meetings the president shall preside. This committee shall exercise a general supervision on behalf of the Society in all matters not directly referred to the president or to a standing or special committee. Any four members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally, and a notice for a meeting of the Society shall be deemed a notice for a meeting of this committee.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, it was

Resolved, That the executive committee be directed to petition the General Assembly to cause a tablet to be erected

in the State House, the location thereof to be determined by the State House Commission, in memory of Sir Henry Vane, the younger, and to appropriate one thousand dollars for that purpose, said tablet to be erected and paid for out of said appropriation under the charge of the committee appointed to mark historic sites in the state.

Mr. Isham spoke briefly of the action taken in Geneva towards erecting a statue of Roger Williams, as the representative of this country, at the base of the memorial to be erected to the memory of John Calvin.

The President delivered his annual address, his subject being the town of Bristol.

The Society then adjourned.

Through an unfortunate misunderstanding no proof of his address was submitted to the president for his revision. Many errors therefore appear in these pages. The principal are these.

Line 4, page 13, *illusive* should read *elusive*.

Line 6, page 14, *passed* should read *pressed*.

Line 1, page 16, James Walley should read, *John* Walley. Stephen Barton should read Stephen *Burton* wherever the name appears. On the same page William Phips, should read *Sir William Phipps*.

Line 2, page 21, *whale* should be erased before boats.

Page 23, fourth line from bottom, *Nolfolk* Sound should read *Norfolk* Sound.

Other infelicities there are, of expression and punctuation, such as always appear when an author's thoughts first confront him in type. As no opportunity was afforded for their emendation, the gentle reader will please correct them in accordance with his own fastidious judgment.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS, 1910.

The history of Bristol is more crowded with picturesque incident than that of any other town in Rhode Island. Around Mt. Hope the legends of the Norsemen cluster, shadowy, vague, illusive, yet altogether fascinating. He would be a rash man who should assert dogmatically that the Northmen visited Mt. Hope bay and spent some winters upon its shores, but very wise men everywhere will admit that the Vinland of Leif Ericson is as likely to have been the Bristol peninsula as any other tract of land along the Atlantic coast, and super-wise men in Bristol will always insist that the Mt. Hope lands are exactly described in the old Norse Saga. There is nothing incongruous in the climate described. The first winter was an open one. The grass remained green around many of the dwellings during the winter, just as it did last year in the sunny nooks amid the forests. The succeeding winters were not as mild as the first one. To an Icelander or Greenlander the present winter, save for the snow flurry of Christmas, would seem most mild. To substantiate this claim, Bristolians point to the Northmen's Rock on the Mt. Hope shore, near Hopeworth. Upon this rock is cut what may easily be imagined to be the representation of a boat with an inscription below it. The interpretation of the inscription, it must be confessed, requires a large effort of the imagination.

Fact and not fancy characterizes our Indian history. First upon the scene steps Massasoit, friend of the white man and ruler of all the region when the Pilgrims of the Mayflower landed upon Plymouth Rock. Like all the Indian sachems, Massasoit had many places of residence, and one of his villages was unquestionably on the side of Mt. Hope. When Winslow, in 1621, paid his first visit to the chieftain, he found him

occupying a wigwam only a little larger than those of his subjects. The sleeping place was a low platform of boards covered with a thin mat. On this bed, says Winslow, Massasoit placed his visitors, with himself and his wife at one end and the Englishmen at the other, and two more of Massasoit's men passed by and upon them, so that they were worse weary of the lodging than of the journey. As Massasoit had not been apprised of Winslow's projected aid, he had made no provisions for his entertainment. No supper whatsoever was secured that night, and not until one o'clock of the next afternoon was food to be had. Then two large fish, which had just been shot, with arrows, of course, were boiled and placed before the sachem's guests, now numbering forty or more besides the two Englishmen.

As long as he lived Massasoit remained the firm friend of the white man. Upon his death, in 1662, his son Wamsutta (or Alexander) headed the Wampanoag tribe for a year, and then came Philip, Massasoit's second son. Philip was a foe to the white men, made such by English treatment of his tribe. He was one of the ablest Indian leaders this country has produced, a wonderful organizer, a skillful diplomatist. From tribe to tribe he journeyed, inducing them to rest from their interminable wars and to turn their weapons against the common enemy of all. But for an accident which caused hostilities to begin a little while before the year (1676) Philip had fixed upon, the colonists would have been swept from the land. The war began in 1675, and Capt. Benjamin Church, the conqueror of Philip, wrote an account of it to which I refer you for necessary details. Benjamin Church was one of our ablest "Indian fighters." He had lain in their wigwams, he had studied their character. Naturally and inevitably he came at last to the leadership of the colonial forces. When Philip's plans had all come to naught, the Wampanoag sachem came back to his land, to Mt. Hope, to make his last stand, to die. Death came to him from a bullet fired by one of his own men who had taken service in Capt. Church's company. In 1876, on the two hundredth anniversary of his death, this Society, with

appropriate ceremonies, placed a boulder monument on the top of Mt. Hope, with this inscription :

KING PHILIP, AUGUST 12, 1676. O. S.

Beside Cold Spring a massive block of granite records that

IN THE MIERY SWAMP 166 FEET W. S. W. FROM THIS SPRING,
ACCORDING TO TRADITION, KING PHILIP FELL,
AUGUST 12, 1676. O. S.

The Mt. Hope lands should have fallen to Plymouth by right of conquest, as they were included in the territory originally granted to that colony. But both the colony of Massachusetts Bay and the colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations claimed a portion of the spoils. So delegates of the several colonies were sent to argue the case before Charles II. Singularly enough another claimant appeared in the person of John Crowne, a poet. Crowne was a native of Nova Scotia. His father had purchased a large tract of land in that country which had become practically valueless because of the cession of Nova Scotia to the French. He therefore asked that the small tract of land which had lately come into English possession should be turned over to him as a compensation. But Mt. Hope, though belonging to the English crown, was not to be Crowne's land. The Plymouth Colony agents claimed that the tract, comprising almost 7000 acres, part of it good soil and much of it rocky, mountainous and barren, for which they had fought and bled, should be awarded to them, more especially because it would afford to them the seaport which they lacked. Their arguments were convincing and the land was awarded to Plymouth by special grant, January 12, 1680. The king among other things demanded a quit rent annually of seven beaver skins. No other royal grant was made of conquered lands, but conflicting claims necessitated this.

Plymouth Colony at once placed the lands on the market, and September 14, 1680, sold them for \$1,100 to four men of

Boston, James Walley, Nathaniel Byfield, Stephen Barton, and Nathaniel Oliver. The first three of these became residents of the new town they founded. Of them, Byfield was the ablest and most distinguished. He came of good stock. His father was of the Westminster Assembly of Divines. His mother was sister of Jaxon, bishop of London and later archbishop of Canterbury, who was a personal friend of Charles I, and attended that ill-fated monarch upon the scaffold. Byfield was the wealthiest of the settlers. He had one residence upon Poppasquash near the head of that peninsula, and one upon what is now Byfield Street in the south part of the town. Byfield was a man of great ability and great wealth. He was also a man of great liberality in all his dealings with the town. His public service was continuous and distinguished. His liberal mind resisted the insane fanaticism of the people during their delusion on the subject of witchcraft, and in his will he left a bequest to all and every minister of Christ of every denomination in Boston. He lived forty-four years in Bristol, only leaving the town when his advanced age made the greater comforts of Boston necessary.

John Walley was also of good stock, his father being rector of one of the London churches. In 1690 he commanded the land forces of William Phips in the expedition against Canada. He also, in his old age, was forced by disease to seek a more luxurious abode in Boston. Stephen Barton was said to have been a graduate of Oxford. He was undoubtedly the most scholarly man of the four proprietors. Oliver, a rich Boston merchant, never resided in Bristol but sold his share to Nathan Hayman, another wealthy Boston merchant.

With men like these as sponsors for the new settlement, it was not difficult to secure settlers. The most noted among them was Benjamin Church, the Indian fighter already mentioned. Capt. Church built a house upon Constitution Street. (Church Street was not named in his honor. Upon that street stood the edifice which gave it its name, the building in which the members of the Church of England worshipped. There were many streets named for a like reason in colonial

days.) Church lived many years in Bristol and was many times elected to public office. He was the first representative of the town in the general court of Plymouth Colony. In his later years he made his home in Little Compton, whence many of his descendants drifted back to Bristol. Because the town was to be the seaport of Plymouth Colony, many of the descendants of the Mayflower Pilgrims naturally came to dwell within its borders. In choosing Bristol for its name, the settlers cherished a hope that, as in the case of its English namesake, it would become the great city upon the west. Boston on the east shore was the London of Massachusetts.

It must not be supposed that peace and tranquillity always characterized the intercourse of the early settlers. John Saffin was born for controversy. His temper seems to have been irascible in the extreme, and he was never really happy unless he was fighting some one. Having made some unfounded charges against Byfield and Walley, he was adjudged to be wrong by the arbitrators to whom the matter was referred, and was forced to make a retraction. If this retraction afforded any pleasure to Byfield and Walley, they must have been easily satisfied. He says, "I confess I might have spared some poetical notions and satirical expressions which I have used by way of argument, etc., yet the sharpest of these are abundantly short of those vilifying terms and scurrilous language which they themselves have frequently given each other."

The new town was laid out on a liberal scale, with side streets crossing each other at right angles, and a spacious common in the center of the settlement. The grand articles stipulated that all houses should be two stories high, with not less than two good rooms on a floor. As most of the settlers could not well spare the time, if they had the means, for building a house with four rooms upon a floor, the "camelopard" type of dwelling was much in evidence. This presented a goodly appearance to the eye of him who stood directly in front, but degenerated greatly when one shifted his position, the roof sloping severely and persistently down to a wood-

pile. One chimney was deemed sufficient for a house. We should deem such a one more than sufficient. If of brick it was fourteen feet square, if of stone, about twenty feet. All the chimneys had immense fire-places, into which a man could sometimes walk without stooping, and all were admirably adapted to keep a house cold. The rooms were abominably drafty, and the high-backed settle was an absolute necessity. A great pile of logs might be blistering the faces while the snow was drifting in through the cracks upon the backs. The first house built is still standing just north of the town bridge. Deacon Nathaniel Bosworth was its builder, an ancestor of those who own it today. Only the southwestern part of the present structure was the work of Deacon Bosworth. The best house was naturally that of Byfield. It was two stories high, with a barn roof, and was nearly square, thirty by thirty-eight feet. It was torn down in 1833 and a hard job the destroyers had. The chimney stood in the center of the house. It was built of imported bricks held together by mortar mixed with shell lime. This mortar had become hard as stone. When the chimney was overthrown it fell to the ground almost unbroken, as an oak tree would fall. Byfield had another house at the head of the harbor on Poppasquash. In each room were deep fireplaces, across which ran an oaken beam a foot square. One winter morning the owner of the house was surprised when he came down stairs, to find the house even colder than usual. The front door was open and the floor was covered with snow drifts. As the door was never locked the phenomenon interested him but little, and he hastened out to feed his cattle. One ox was missing and the farmer went back to the house to organize a searching party, but as he opened the door and turned his eyes toward the fire place, he changed his plans. There lay the huge creature tranquilly chewing the cud of complete contentment. It had found the door ajar, had pushed it open and had established itself comfortably upon the still warm ashes.

But I am lingering too long upon the details of those early years. I must pass them by or I shall not be able even to

hint at some of the notable events in the history of this town, which was in turn a part of three colonies and one state, which suffered more severely from the Revolutionary War than any other place in Rhode Island except Newport, which sent forth the most successful privateer that ever sailed from an American port, and which sent forth, in days of peace, vessels which sailed to all the quarters of the globe. Do not imagine, however, that these vessels were stately ships. A whole fleet of them might easily be stored in the hold of one of the great ocean liners of the present day. Many of them, even when they sailed to the coast of Africa, were sloops of less than a hundred tons. We stand amazed today at the hardihood of those ancestors of ours who dared hurricanes and tornadoes in such frail boats. A very profitable traffic was carried on with the West Indies and the Spanish Main. The earliest cargoes were largely of vegetables, especially of that bulb whose fragrance lingers longest in the nostrils, the onion.

There once dwelt in Bristol a man named Sammy Usher, who was noted for his irascibility not less than for his caustic tongue. One day a visitor from the institution of learning on the other side of Waterman Street was introduced to him. This young man, though a sophomore, was yet somewhat fresh, and Sammy did not like him. He said, "Mr. Usher, I hear that Bristol is noted for three things, its geese, girls and onions. What do you do with them all?" "Oh," said Usher, "we marry our girls as soon as they grow up, we ship our onions to Cuba, and we send our geese to college." The first recorded shipment, however, was not of onions. November 6, 1686, Byfield placed a number of his horses on board the "Bristol Merchant" bound for Surinam. Possibly they may have been of the Narragansett pacer breed for which the south county was so long famous. Very early in the town's history, sails were turned to the coast of Africa. The voyage was the most hazardous that could be taken, but the profits of a successful venture were enormous. There was profit on each leg of the voyage. The first leg was from the home port, with the hold filled with casks of New England rum and

small crates of trinkets. One cask was usually enough to secure a slave, but before the cargo was complete, all hands were usually down with coast fever. When the crew were strong enough to work the vessel, the "middle passage" to the West Indies was made, and the live freight, which had been handled with as great care as are the cattle on the Atlantic transports today, was exchanged for casks of molasses. Then came the last leg of the voyage. The molasses was carried to Bristol to be converted into rum. This trade the town shared with Newport and Providence.

"The Romance of an Old-Time Shipmaster," a collection of letters sent by one of the old captains to the wife who was always his sweetheart, even though he addresses her for the most part as "dear friend," has lately been published. These letters, written from many lands, Africa included, show that this commerce was not always profitable and that it was always dangerous.

When slaves were introduced into the town we do not know. The census of 1774 records 114 blacks in a total population of 1209. In my boyhood, the number of blacks was still considerable. They lived mainly in a district called Gorea, from that part of the coast of Africa with which the sailors of the town were so familiar.

The most prominent of the pre-revolutionary sea-captains was Simeon Potter. Potter's most famous voyage, however, was made as captain of a Newport privateer, the Prince Charles of Lorraine. The Prince Charles made a descent upon the Spanish Main in 1744, during what the colonists called King George's War, a part of what is known in Europe as the War of the Austrian Succession. From this raid resulted much plunder. One of the silver utensils Potter brought home was lately displayed at the banquet of the Society of Colonial Wars. When he retired from the seas Capt. Potter was probably the wealthiest man in Bristol, and as he left no children his wealth eventually passed to his sisters. One of them was the wife of Mark Anthony DeWolf, whose descendants were afterward to become so conspicuous in the town and

state. With a boat's crew from Bristol, Potter probably rowed up to join the Providence whale boats in their attack upon H. B. M. brig *Gaspee*. Certainly the only lyric written to commemorate that event came from the pen of Capt. Thomas Swan of Bristol, one of the participants in the capture. The participation of the Bristol men in the *Gaspee* affair is often denied by "out of town" people. I have no doubt respecting the matter. My own grandmother, born in 1784, the daughter of a soldier of the Revolution who was born in 1762 and lived until 1821, and whose grandfather, born in 1781, lived until 1817, firmly believed in it. She had had opportunities for talking the subject over with two generations who were living on June 9, 1772.

In January, 1881, Bishop Smith of Kentucky, a native of Bristol in 1794 and a graduate of Brown in 1816, wrote to me calling my attention to a slight difference between the "Swan Song," as I had given it in my "History of Bristol," and a version pasted upon the back of a portrait of Thomas Swan's father by Thomas Swan himself. Capt. Swan was Bishop Smith's uncle. The Bishop wrote, "I should not have troubled you on so inconsiderable a point had not the tradition in our family been that *the Bristol boat was manned by men in the disguise of Narragansett Indians.*"

When the Revolutionary War broke out, Potter was one of the most conspicuous of patriots, but his zeal seems to have waned as the contest waxed. The events that led to the Boston Tea Party caused more intense interest in Bristol than elsewhere in the colony of Rhode Island, and the town's money contribution to distressed Boston was much larger proportionately than that of any other. This is not remarkable, however. As a part of the Massachusetts colony, Bristol had never suffered from Massachusetts arrogance and intolerance as had the other towns of Rhode Island.

October 7, 1775, came the bombardment. A fleet made up of three ships of war, one bomb brig, one schooner and some smaller vessels sailed up from Newport under the command of Sir James Wallace. A boat's crew was sent on shore to de-

mand sheep from the town. As they were not forthcoming, the boat returned to the ship and shortly afterward the whole fleet began "a most heavy cannonading, heaving also shells and 'carcasses' into the town." (Carcasses were vessels bound together with hoops and filled with combustibles.) Singularly enough, no one was killed during this bombardment, though many buildings were struck by balls. The next morning the sheep demanded were furnished and the fleet sailed away. An epidemic of dysentery was raging at the time, seventeen persons having died within a fortnight; and the fact that at least one hundred sick persons would have to be removed if the cannonading was resumed influenced the town committee to provide the supply demanded. One life, however, went out because of the bombardment. Rev. John Burt, the aged pastor of the Congregational Church, had for a long time been sick and feeble. When the air was filled with missiles he fled from his town, no one seeing him, and wandered away weak and bewildered. The next morning, as he did not appear in the meeting house at the hour of service, his congregation went out to seek him. They found at last him lying dead upon his face in a field of ripened corn. The bombardment inspired to poetry another son (or daughter) of Bristol. His (or her) verse deserves recognition beside Capt. Swan's, but I omit the reading here.

May 25, 1778, most of the buildings in the town were burned by a band of five hundred British and Hessians, the Episcopal Church being one of the structures destroyed. The sexton had fled into the woods behind the town. When he was told that the church was burned, he refused to believe it. "It can't be," he said, "for I have the key in my pocket." The church was probably burned by mistake, the English supposing it to be a dissenting meeting house.

It is not remarkable that the census taken in 1782 showed only 1032 inhabitants, 177 less than the population of 1774, and a loss of almost fifteen per cent. But the enterprise of those who were left was astounding. Bristol sails whitened seas far remote. As the maritime history of the town is much

the most picturesque part of it, let me devote the most of my remaining time to the history of two vessels and those who sailed in them.

In the year 1804, the ship *Juno* brought into the harbor the first cargo ever received from a Chinese port. August 13, 1804, it sailed from the port bound on a still more unusual voyage—to the northwest coast. The enterprise of Boston shipmasters had begun the traffic upon that coast only a few years before, Capt. Gray of Tiverton in the ship *Columbia* being the pioneer. The risks were too great for any but the most venturesome spirits. The *Juno* was a full-rigged ship of 250 tons, a "crack" vessel for those days. She was worth, when she sailed out with a cargo to be bartered for furs with the natives, \$35,000. Compare the six- and seven-masted colliers of to-day with her and note the vast changes. She carried eight guns and other necessary implements and munitions of war. Her principal owners were James, Charles and George DeWolf, sons of the first Mark Anthony whom Simeon Potter had brought from the island of Guadaloupe. Her crew numbered twenty-six men. January 8, 1805, the ship reached Valparaiso and was at once ordered to leave the bay. The United States was only a young and feeble nation, and British influence was all-powerful in South America. Necessary repairs were made at Coquimbo, January 28, and on April 7 Vancouvers Island was sighted. There were six American vessels on the coast. One, the *Atawhalpa*, had been attacked by the natives. Her captain and another officer had been killed and many of her crew wounded. By August 20, Capt. DeWolf had secured 1000 sea-otter skins which he sent home by one of the other ships. Then he proposed, as his ship had been injured on the rocky coast, to make a voyage to California in search of more cargo. At this time one of the proprietors of the Russian American Company, who had just been appointed an ambassador to Japan, came to Nolfolk Sound proposing there to build a vessel in which he might sail to his new post. Capt. DeWolf jestingly offered to sell him his ship, and to his surprise the offer was at once taken

up. The *Juno* with her remaining cargo was sold for \$68,000. The Russians placed at the disposal of the *Juno's* master a small vessel, with provisions for 100 days, in which to send his crew to Canton, China. Baron Resanoff arranged for the master himself an overland journey to St. Petersburg. Capt. DeWolf's plans for leaving the coast at once miscarried, but as there was a very companionable German naturalist and doctor, Langsdorff by name, to roam about the country with him, the time passed easily. June 30, 1806, a 25-ton vessel, "tub," the captain called it, was placed at his disposal, and he sailed proudly away in this remarkable craft, Dr. Langsdorff being his companion. Under the most favorable circumstances the vessel made almost five knots an hour. By September 22, the tub had reached Petropowlsk, where it was obliged to "lay up" for the winter. Capt. DeWolf has left a graphic account of the winter sojourn. Among other things, he acted as godfather at a christening, making fifteen circuits around the baptismal tub with the other participants in the ceremony. May 26th he left the winter harbor and on the 27th of June reached Okhotsk in safety. Then the most remarkable part of the journey began. The "great American Captain" was sent with all haste, in government vehicles, to Yakutsk on the Lena River, 500 miles away. Then in a boat he went up the river to Irkutsk, the capital of Siberia. Everywhere crowds flocked to see the wonderful curiosity, "the great American Captain on a boat going on government business." Then he went in a "pervoska," a box rounded at the bottom and fastened to the axletree. A covered half-top like a cradle was supposed to be a protection against the weather. The captain put into it a feather bed and some pillows, thinking in his simple mind that he could thus "get along without much chafing." He could not at once appreciate the immense possibilities for discomfort which the pervoska possessed. At last he reached St. Petersburg, the first American to make that wonderful overland journey. April 1, 1808, after an absence of three years and eight months, he returned to Bristol, two years and six months from the day the *Juno* left Narra-

gansett Bay. The owners realized a clear profit of \$100,000 as a result of her voyage. No wonder the epithet "Nor'west John" clung to him as long as he lived. He is one of the most vivid recollections of my childhood. I remember the awe with which I regarded him when he was first pointed out to me.

Another seaman also walked the Bristol streets who had had a most remarkable experience. He was a surgeon and an inveterate smoker. His inordinate use of the weed, however, once saved his life. He was shipwrecked upon a cannibal island in the Pacific. His fellow sufferers were all eaten by their captors. Because he was so flavored with tobacco, he was not deemed fit to be eaten at once by the savage epicures, and so lived to be rescued. He was also a most profane man. One day after a long attack of fever, which had wasted him almost to a skeleton, he ventured out for a walk. Unfortunately, he had not noted the wind. He wore a long cloak and the wind was fair and heavy. Having once started before it, he was not able to stop, but went on, gathering speed and scattering profanity, until friendly arms at last rescued him, entirely exhausted except as to his supply of oaths.

The wonderful religious revivals which affected the town should be noticed here. They began in 1812 in St. Michael's Church, in the rectorship of Bishop Griswold. Only a few months before his voyage in the *Juno*, Capt. John DeWolf had been sent in a sloop belonging to his kinsman, James DeWolf, to bring Mr. Griswold to Bristol. The town then numbered about 2000 inhabitants, almost all of them more or less connected with the sea.

"The first among the laymen to take part in the movement was a sea-captain who had just returned from a voyage to the Island of Trinidad. Before he left Bristol, the unwonted fervor of Bishop Griswold's sermons and discourses had turned his thoughts toward the attainment of the holier and higher life, whose glories the bishop was ever placing before his people. The awful solemnity of the ocean had completed the lesson. On Saturday night he returned from his voyage. The next day, when the bishop had finished his sermon, the

emotions that stirred the soul of the sailor entirely overcame the modesty that usually kept him back from the public notice. Rising from his seat, he went forward to the old wine-glass pulpit in which the preacher was yet standing, and conversed with him earnestly for a few moments, while the congregation looked on with amazement at the unusual interruption. With that benignant smile which marked his gentle nature, Bishop Griswold assented to the request that was preferred; and placing his hand upon the shoulder of the eager enthusiast, he turned to the congregation and said: 'My friends, Captain —— wishes to tell you what the Lord has done for his soul.' Then the quiet sailor told the congregation the story of the change that had been wrought in him; told it without a thought of the unusual part he was assuming; told it in the simplest words, with no attempt at eloquence or effect, but with the wondrous power of God's love so plainly before his eyes that the minds of all his hearers went with him upon the sea, and felt the struggle which had brought his soul out of darkness into light. Never, even, had the inspired words of their pastor stirred the people of St. Michael's Church more strongly. When he ceased there was hardly a dry eye in the congregation. Only a few well-chosen words did the bishop add to intensify the lesson, and then dismissed his people with the usual benediction. From that day the revival became general." It spread through all the churches in the town.

In 1820 came another, which began like the first in St. Michael's Church. It lasted for about three months. The first meeting was held in a private house. The Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Tyng, writing sixty years later, said, "It was with unbounded surprise that I went into the house at the hour appointed. It was crowded in every room, stair-case and entry, as if some unusually crowded funeral were there. But for ministering to this people, hungry for the bread of life, I was there alone. They had placed a Bible and Prayer-book on the first landing of the stairs. The people were crowded above me and below me, as far as my eye could reach, in the most eager attention to the Word. It was the most solemn

assembly I had ever seen, and its impression upon my mind and memory was overwhelming and abiding. But this was the commencement of months of work of a similar description, and from this day we had a similar meeting appointed for every evening. These were held in various rooms and houses throughout the town. The evening meetings were usually held in the Academy Hall. My whole time for about three months was given up to this one work. Three times every day I was engaged in addressing different assemblies in different parts of the town and of the surrounding country, and in conversing with awakened and anxious persons connected with these meetings.

“Such a scene in human society as Bristol then displayed, I had never imagined. The whole town was given up to this one work. The business of the world was for a time suspended. The stores were in many instances closed, as if the whole week were a Sabbath.”

As in the former case the work spread through all the churches. Crowds came from surrounding towns to gaze upon the remarkable spectacle the town afforded. Such a state of affairs would be impossible today.

The year 1812 saw Bristol at the zenith of its commercial prosperity. When the declaration of war with Great Britain was passed, most of its merchants denounced it in the bitterest language. They thought, as did many of the leading merchants of Rhode Island, that American commerce would be entirely destroyed. One man, however, James DeWolf, hailed the declaration with delight. He was convinced that the interests of the whole country demanded it. He believed in the justice of the American cause, and he also saw in the war an opportunity for retrieving the losses he had suffered at the hands of British cruisers. He had kept an accurate account of those losses, and he saw his opportunity in that clause of the act which allowed the president of the United States to issue letters of marque and reprisal to private armed vessels. Eleven days after the president's proclamation, he asked a commission for an armed brig of 160 tons burden, mounting

eighteen guns and carrying 120 men, called the *Yankee*, and commanded by Oliver Wilson. July 13, 1812, the commission was issued, and the *Yankee* was speedily at sea. Never did a more lucky privateer sail the ocean. One of her prizes was the ship *Francis*, whose cargo netted her captors more than \$200,000. Every shareholder in that first cruise realized more than \$700. No wonder that men almost fought for a place on board when she sailed on her second cruise. For 150 days nothing was heard of her.

May I indulge in a parenthesis. When we Bristol boys were about ten years old we were wont, as soon as school was dismissed, to hasten down to the wharves, "swarm" up the rigging of some of the vessels lying there, and having reached the point where the shrouds stopped, to "shin up" the smooth topmast and place our caps upon the caps of the masts. The one who got his cap on a mast first was of course the best boy. Singularly enough, I never remember to have proclaimed to my parents the proud occasions when I was "it." My great chum in those days was Benjamin F. Tilley, who died quite recently an Admiral in the United States navy and one of the best loved officers in the service. When he was in Providence a few years ago, in command of the gunboat *Newport*, we indulged largely in reminiscences of our boyhood, and among other things "shinned" up those masts again. Very strangely Tilley could not remember that he had ever proclaimed to his parents that he was ever "it." Modest always were the Bristol boys in the days of my youth. Looking back upon these episodes with the added knowledge fifty years have brought, I feel sure that if I had told my father of my prowess, he would have said in his quiet way, "Perhaps you would better not say anything to your mother about it," and would have gone away chuckling. He had been "it" himself. For we boys were simply exemplifying the traditions of our race. We were only doing what our forebears had done for generations.

To return: when the *Yankee* had been 150 days out, some boys were climbing up the masts in the good old way. When the victor reached the top and started to place his cap there-

on, he saw something which caused him to leave the cap where it was, to slide down the mast and shrouds so quickly that not much skin was left on his hands and much damage done to his trousers, and to go running up the wharf shouting, "the *Yankee* is coming up the bay with two prizes." So it was. The little brig had been to the coast of Africa. One of the prizes was the brig *Shannon*, of 210 tons, the other a schooner, not so large but one which had been built for a French privateer. Because of her speed she was brought in for possible use as an American letter of marque. \$338.40 was the profit for each share of this cruise. When the cargo of the *Shannon* was sold, Capt. DeWolf found that the losses he had suffered before the war were entirely made up from the prizes taken. He therefore rechristened the *Shannon* before sending her again to sea, calling her the "Balance." As such she sailed from Bristol for many years. The next vessel sent in he renamed the *Prize*, and the next, the *Remittance*.

No time was lost in refitting for the third cruise. On May 20, 1813, the vessel passed out from Newport harbor. August 20 she was back again in Bristol. She had captured prizes enough to make up a handsome cruise, calculating one-half the prized to be retaken. Each share of that cruise netted \$173.54. The fourth cruise was a failure. British warships were swarming along our coasts, and only two prizes of small value were sent into port. Such a change had come over the spirits of sailors that some of those who had shipped for the cruise actually swam ashore as the brig was about to leave Bristol harbor. On the fifth cruise but four prizes were taken. Three of these were recaptured. The *Yankee* was driven into New Bedford by an English war vessel, and her crew deserted almost to a man. One prize only reached port at Portland, Me. She was the "*San Jose Indiano*," and with her cargo sold for more than half a million dollars. The owners of the *Yankee* netted \$223,313.10. Capt. Snow was paid \$25,789.69. Not one of the boys received less than \$700 as his share of the profits. Jack Jibsheet, a negro waiter, received \$738.19. His colleague, Cuffee Cockroach, also of African descent, received

§1121.88. The *San Jose Indiano* was an East India teak-built ship. She was rechristened the *General Jackson* and sailed from her new sailing port for many years afterward. But little profit resulted from the sixth and last cruise. One vessel with cargo brought \$70,000. Another prize, a rich East Indian valued with cargo at \$200,000, was lost on Charleston bar. Less than three years had the little privateer been cruising, but she had taken more prizes than had any other American privateer. She had captured British property amounting in value to almost a million pounds. She had sent into Bristol a million dollars as the profit from her six cruises.

Now with the story I had planned only half told, I must close my lecture with a few words about the Bristol of to-day. Very different it is from the old Puritan town of 1680, from the Puritan town even of my youthful days. My father, born in 1820, often spoke of the curiosity with which the first Irishman who settled in the town was regarded. To-day the Irish element is one of the most progressive in the place. A son of an Irishman well represents it in the General Assembly. Of the boys who played upon the common in my boyhood, I can recall not half a dozen with names that were not derived from the British Isles. To-day as I walk about the streets, I hear on every had Italian, Portuguese, French. The foreign-born element is in the majority. In the older days, the wharves were centers of business. Now they are almost deserted. The older ones have vanished gradually stone by stone. By day, even in summer, the streets are almost empty save for summer visitors. But there is immense life and energy in the place yet. In a hundred years its population has more than quadrupled. When the wheels in the great factories cease to turn as the daylight passes away, a hurrying throng of operatives crowd the highways. The commerce of the port has gone. Not a vessel of any size hails from it. But the old seafaring spirit still exists. It is incarnate in a quiet man in the south part of the town, who says little but thinks much. Out from the bay sail the creatures of his genius to lead the yachting fleets of the world.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1910.

The changes during the past twelve months have been many and various. The building of the Society at the beginning of the year was in a chaotic state, due principally to the destructive work of the tunnel to its ceiling. This condition for a time was not helped by the changes in the arrangement of the library, but the end seems to have justified the means and has met with distinct approval from those who are its most frequent users. The genealogical collections have been removed from the small square room on the second floor, now containing the Rhode Island documents and college publications and furnished for the use of Society board meetings, and are now in the large central room down-stairs. Here the genealogies are arranged alphabetically on the shelves at the east side of the room, running from the east door. The genealogical catalogue stands in the alcove of the east window; then come the genealogies, the New England Genealogical Register, the Rhode Island Vital Records, the standard genealogical reference works, other genealogical magazines, the civil and military lists, and other helps. The new location has the advantage of more room on the shelves and at the tables, better light and air, and accessibility.

A notable feature of the year has been the large increase in the Society's genealogical collections. From the famous collection of Dr. S. S. Purple over fifty most desirable items were obtained, and from other sources at least fifty more, the total being 101. Especial attention has been given to the needs of the fast growing number of students in the study of genealogy.

The Society has also added largely to its collection of printed vital records, and likewise to the New England town histories, special attention being given to the parent towns and their descendant settlements.

On the table at the west side of the central room are placed the current numbers of the genealogical magazines. At the right of the entrance to this central room has been placed a bulletin board, where items of interest to the Society are posted. In the south gallery have been placed reading tables with the current historical magazines.

The books other than those on the New England states now occupy the gallery of the central room, formerly dominated by rows of boxes containing the Society's interesting and valuable collection of Rhode Island pamphlets. The improvement in the general appearance of this room is increased by the banishment of the overtopping relic cases from the south end of the balustrade to their more proper abode in the museum.

Of much importance is the change caused by gathering all the miscellaneous material relating to Rhode Island in the west room on the first floor, forming what may be well termed a Rhode Island room. It is earnestly hoped that members who have Rhode Island material, no matter how apparently trivial, will consider this Society the depository for everything that throws light upon any phase of the history of this state.

The office of the librarian has been changed, the modern furnishings having been replaced by those of the colonial period, gathered from here and there in the building. The tone of the room is thus in keeping with the Society and its purposes.

Attention has also been given to the minor biographies of Rhode Island people, perhaps forgotten but for the preservation of rare memoirs. This Society has been fortunate in obtaining several of these during the year. Another interesting addition to the library during the year has been about fifty volumes relating to the Quakers, received mainly through gift. Of particular value among these are the journals of visiting Friends, whose writings during their travels in Rhode Island are often of importance.

The collection of material relating to the Dorr War has been increased, and a number of desired items lacking in the

files of early Rhode Island newspapers have been secured, the most important additions of the latter class being those of the Newport Mercury.

The museum has been improved, the contents classified, more of the cases glazed, and the pictures sorted.

Two recent additions to the portrait gallery are J. N. Arnold's portrait of the late John W. Davis, which is considered one of that artist's best works, and the portrait of David Crowley, well known as one of the few survivors of the burning of the "Lexington."

During the past year there have been recorded in the accession book 364 bound volumes, 962 pamphlets, and 83 miscellaneous items. Of this total of 1409 accessions, 691 have come through gift, 379 through exchange, and 339 through purchase. Of the above accessions, 101 are genealogies.

The librarian would take this opportunity to express his gratitude and thanks to the many whose courtesy, coöperation and good-fellowship have made memorable the past twelve months in the service of this Society.

WILLIAM A. WING,

Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1909.

Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island Historical Society.

DR.		
Balance forward		\$492 06
Annual dues	\$846 00	
Interest on mortgage notes	547 00	
Interest legacy account—participation	384 80	
Interest Minneapolis Street Railway bonds	300 00	
Interest, Railroad Notes	500 00	
Dividends, Merchants National Bank	105 00	
Dividends, Providence Gas Co.	168 00	
Interest on Life Membership Fund	143 47	
Interest on New Membership Fund	42 56	
Interest on Publication Fund	155 44	
Interest National Exchange Bank	18 72	
Refund from loan	140 14	
George Peabody Wetmore	50 00	
George M. Carpenter Memorial Fund	254 17	
Rent, Patriotic Societies	88 00	
Sale of books	154 40	
Sale of broadsides	282 50	
State of Rhode Island	1,500 00	
McCabe & Bihler, replacing ceiling	200 00	
		\$5,316 91
CR.		
Amount paid for coal and wood	\$281 20	
Amount paid for removing ashes	15 00	
Amount paid for gas	21 73	
Amount paid for water	13 48	
Amount paid for telephone	33 90	
Amount paid for repairs	719 82	
Amount paid for printing and binding	168 50	
Amount paid for office expenses	250 46	
Salaries and administrative services	2,008 48	
Books, pamphlets, etc.	710 06	
Frame, Moses Brown portrait	11 50	
George M. Carpenter Memorial Desk	254 17	
Care of grounds	45 10	
Transfer to investment account	116 87	
		\$4,384 60
Balance forward		932 31
		\$5,316 91

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON.

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society.*

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, ACCOUNT 1909.

DR.

For checks received from the General Treasurer . . . \$1,500 00

CR.

Paid to Library Committee	\$1,098 48	
Paid to General Account for administrative expenses	<u>401 52</u>	\$1,500 00

DR. CHARLES W. PARSONS IMPROVEMENT FUND, JAN. 12, 1909.

DR.

Balance previous account	\$308 08	
York River bond	1,000 00	
Interest, York River bond	45 00	
4 notes, \$1000, Am. Tel. and Tel. Co.	3,896 11	
Interest, Am. Tel. and Tel. Co. Notes	200 00	
Interest, National Exchange Bank	<u>6 52</u>	\$5,559 60

CR.

York River bond	\$1,000 00	
60 shares Penn. R. R. Co.	3,983 32	
Balance, Nat'l Exchange Bank	<u>576 28</u>	\$5,559 60

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society.*

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 12, 1909.

	DR.	
For Legacy Account:		
Samuel M. Noyes	\$12,000 00	
Henry J. Steere	10,000 00	
Charles H. Smith	5,000 00	
Esek A. Jillson	2,000 00	
John Wilson Smith	1,000 00	
William G. Weld	1,000 00	
Charles C. Hoskins	1,000 00	
Charles H. Atwood	1,000 00	
William H. Potter	3,000 00	
Transfer from general account	1,064 37	
Interest at bank	22 17	
		<hr/> \$37,086 54
For Publication Fund:		
Ira B. Peck	\$1,000 00	
William Gammell	1,000 00	
Albert J. Jones	1,000 00	
Julia Bullock	500 00	
Charles H. Smith	100 00	
William Ely	1,000 00	
		<hr/> 4,600 00
For Life Membership Fund:		
Previous account		3,643 76
For New Membership Fund:		
Previous account	\$725 00	
9 new members	45 00	
Interest	12 64	
		<hr/> 770 00
For Parsons Improvement Fund		5,559 60
		<hr/> \$51,659 90

CR.

Legacy Account Investments:

6 bonds Minneapolis St. Ry. Co.	\$5,850 00	
30 shares Merchants National Bank	1,800 00	
45 shares Blackstone Canal National Bank	1,050 00	
100 shares New York Central R. R. Co.	10,000 00	
42 shares Providence Gas Co.	4,105 50	
20 shares Lehigh Valley R. R. Co.	1,612 50	
10 shares Penn R. R. Co.	664 38	
14 shares Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.	2,003 75	\$27,086 13

Mortgage Notes:

P. A. & H. A. Cory	3,350 00	
Michael F. Judge	950 00	
William Watson	1,100 00	
Harry Fuller	4,200 00	9,600 00
		<u>36,686 13</u>

Deposit, National Exchange Bank	400 41
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Publication Fund:

Participation account, Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.	4,600 00
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Life Membership Fund:

Mechanics Branch, Industrial Trust Co.	\$2,202 86	
Providence Institution for Savings	1,440 90	
		<u>3,643 76</u>

New Membership Fund	770 00
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Parsons Improvement Fund:

Bond, Richmond, York River & Chesapeake Railroad	\$1,000 00	
60 shares Penn. R. R. Co.	3,983 32	
National Exchange Bank	576 28	
		<u>5,559 60</u>

	<u>\$51,659 90</u>
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Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The library committee are well aware that many members feel that a veritable revolution has taken place in the cabinet of this Society during the past year; that their familiar haunts have been turned upside down, or changed about in a manner foreign to the long-standing policy of this institution. It is therefore with some fear of being misunderstood that I wish to say that the policy of the library committee has been during the past year, and will continue to be, one of conservatism.

We believe that the treasures which this Society now holds, and the collections which may be obtained little by little along the one line of Rhode Island history and genealogy, are glory enough for this institution, and that such collections, properly arranged, are sufficient excuse for the existence of this Society, without stepping beyond this our own field, which is by no means a narrow or restricted one.

We have determined, accordingly, to make room for the proper placing of the things which are distinctly a part of our own work, and by intelligent arrangement to make them fully accessible. The first step taken was to move the genealogies, not with any idea of uprooting old traditions, but merely that this collection might be placed where it can expand into proportions appropriate to the place which genealogy properly holds in our work. In the small room thereby left vacant, the Rhode Island documents have been filed, not permanently, but so as to be accessible until a permanent place and arrangement are decided upon for them.

The changes in the gallery were made necessary by the expansion of the section devoted to the states outside of New England, which was formerly in the dark western room on the

lower floor. The change has added much to the attractiveness of the balcony, which now forms one of the lightest and pleasantest working places in the building.

All of the Rhode Island pamphlet material has been assembled downstairs in the western room thus left vacant, which is to be used as a stack-room, where the material will be put into better shape as soon as a comprehensive and adequate system of arrangement can be decided upon. Already the Rhode Island periodicals, which consist mainly of the publications of churches, schools, societies and business organizations, issued at regular intervals in pamphlet form, are arranged, catalogued and checked. The tax-books of the various towns have been similarly treated, and slowly the whole mass of important Rhode Island material which has never before been classified will take a permanent and accessible shape.

We are no longer placing live pamphlet material in the old pamphlet boxes simply because it comes in unbound form, but are binding such pamphlets as are of distinct historical value in card-board binders, and arranging them upon the shelves like books. Then, too, we are working over the old mass of pamphlets as rapidly as possible, binding all which are of value to us in the card-board binders, and thereby rendering them as usable as the bound volumes.

All of the accumulated material relating to New England, exclusive of Rhode Island, has been placed on the shelves in this manner, and we are now working on the pamphlets relating to New York. An average of one hundred pamphlets are prepared each month, the work being carried on in the intervals of the routine duties of the library. The binding is sufficiently strong for our purposes, the average cost being not over four cents a volume; and the process renders the material available, which is the great end to be gained.

The books which we have moved, as well as the shelves and the room in which they were to be contained, have been thoroughly cleaned, and unbound pamphlets and worn-out bindings have so far as possible been put in covers or repaired. It is

hoped that the shelves which we have worked over will be found to be in excellent condition.

The Society has been particularly fortunate in its manuscript accessions for the past year, and it is planned to carry the policy of thoroughness into the work on them. We plan to study carefully the history and bearing of the manuscripts, and to arrange them in the vault, so that those who succeed us in the care of the collection may be better able to tell what we have in our possession. In the case of those which are of interest to a large body of students, we plan to make type-written transcripts, which may be referred to readily and by a large class of readers without subjecting the original documents to the wear and tear of miscellaneous usage.

The working force at the library was unfortunately entirely changed at the beginning of this year. The present incumbents have had to learn the building and its methods. The staff has also been smaller than formerly, as the librarian has been able to spend less than half his time here, and less extra help than in former years has been employed. Perhaps this has retarded the work a little, but a distinct financial saving has been made, the fruits of which can be better expended now that a year has tried out our theories and given experience.

The additions purchased for the collections during the past year have not been many, but they have been carefully chosen and have each added something to the avowed purpose for which this Society exists. By this conservative purchasing, a balance also remains to us from the book fund, so that we shall start the new year with fuller resources, a clearly defined purpose toward which to work, and some little experience to help us in forwarding what we believe to be the best interests of the library of this Society.

G. P. WINSHIP,

For the Library Committee.

REPORT OF LECTURE COMMITTEE.

The lecture committee reports the following list of lectures delivered under the auspices of the Society during the past year :

Rev. Daniel Goodwin, of East Greenwich, "Some Early Rhode Island Libraries," January 26, 1909. (The manuscript is deposited in the library of this Society.)

Rev. Henry M. King, of Providence, "Sir Henry Vane," February 9, 1909. (Dr. King's book, "Sir Henry Vane, Jr., Governor of Massachusetts and Friend of Roger Williams and Rhode Island," embodies this lecture with much other material.)

Miss Gertrude S. Kimball, of Providence, "Some Providence Sea-captains of the Early Eighteenth Century," February 23, 1909.

Mr. Sidney S. Rider, of Providence, "The Development of a Constitutional Government in Rhode Island," March 9, 1909.

Mr. Charles M. Young, of Providence, "A Historical Retrospect of the First Congregational Society in Providence," March 23, 1909. (This paper has been published in pamphlet form by the Woman's Alliance of the First Congregational Church.

President Wilfred H. Munro, "The Town of Bristol," January 11, 1910. (The first of a series of lectures on historic towns of Rhode Island.)

Rev. Daniel Goodwin, of East Greenwich, "The Town of North Kingstown," January 25, 1910.

Mr. William B. Weeden, of Providence, "Providence Plantations," February 8, 1910.

Hon. William Paine Sheffield, Jr., of Newport, "John Clarke and the Settlement of Newport," March 1, 1910.

Hon. George H. Utter, of Westerly, "The Town of Westerly," March 15, 1910.

Hon. Roswell B. Burchard, of Little Compton, "The Town of Little Compton," March 29, 1910.

Hon. James H. Higgins, of Pawtucket, "The History of Pawtucket," April 12, 1910.

At the close of each of these lectures the thanks of the Society were voted to the speaker of the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. WILSON,
For the Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

The committee on grounds and buildings presents the following report of its work during the year 1909 :

The ceiling of the outer room has been replaced ; the south gallery over the entrance has been rearranged ; the New England room and the Rhode Island room have been glazed with prisms ; one of the open show cases in the museum has been glazed ; and the roof has been repaired and painted.

The grounds have received the usual care, and the usual small repairs have been attended to.

The expenditures have been as follows :

For the ceiling of the outer room	\$329 39
Paid of this by McCabe and Bihler	200 00
	\$129 39
Leaving as paid by this Society	\$129 39
Changes in south gallery	92 15
Prismatic glass in N. E. and R. I. rooms	49 35
Glazing show case	50 50
Repair of roof	109 61
Care of grounds	45 60
Miscellaneous repairs, etc.	51 22
	\$534 37

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN M. ISHAM,
EDWIN A. BURLINGAME,
Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

NECROLOGY.

WILLIAM BINNEY.

William Binney, for many years prominent in banking and political affairs, died at his residence, 72 Prospect Street, Providence, on April 23, 1909. He was the youngest son of Horace Binney, LL. D., a man of national reputation as a lawyer and scholar, and was born in Philadelphia, April 19, 1825. He entered Yale College in 1845, but left at the end of his Junior year. He received from that college the degree of A. B. in 1849, that of A. M. in 1866, and had previously received from Brown University the degree of A. M. in 1856.

In 1845 he began to read law in the office of his brother Horace, was admitted to the bar in 1848, and in 1853 removed to Providence. There he was at first in the office of Gen. Albert C. Greene, and later with Hon. Samuel Ames. In 1866 he gave up his legal practice and organized the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, of which he was the president until 1881 and a director after that date.

From 1857 to 1874 he was a member of the Common Council, and was its president from 1863 to 1871. After the death of President Lincoln he was appointed to deliver the memorial oration in Providence. He drafted the City Charter for Providence, accepted by the General Assembly in 1866. He was twice elected a member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives, and was offered, but did not accept, the office of Justice of the Supreme Court. He made several journeys to Europe, but on account of impaired health since 1883, seldom left his homes in Providence or Newport. He, however, continued to take a keen interest in public affairs, and often contributed articles to the press.

Mr. Binney married, June 14, 1848, Hope Goddard, daughter of Prof. William G. Goddard, LL. D., and Charlotte

Rhoda (Ives) Goddard. She died in 1866, leaving two sons and two daughters. The sons are William, of the banking firm of Wilson, Slade and Co., and Horace, who lives in Europe. The oldest daughter, Hope Ives, married Samuel Powell, Jr., of Newport, and the younger was the wife of Sidney F. Tyler of Philadelphia.

FRANCIS A. CRANSTON.

Francis A. Cranston, one of the oldest and most widely known bankers of the state, died at his home, 247 Bowen Street, April 10, 1909. He was the son of Barzillai Cranston, a descendant of Gov. Samuel Cranston of Rhode Island, 1698-1727, and Irene Guild, and was born February 4, 1837. His father's house stood at the corner of Westminster and Clemence Streets, on the site where the Shepard Company's store now stands, that part of the city being then a residential section.

Mr. Cranston's father was a banker, and Francis, with his three brothers, George K., James E., and Henry C., engaged in the same business and were connected with various banking institutions in Providence. He himself was the cashier of the Old National Bank for nearly fifty-years. He was also a trustee of the Rhode Island Safe Deposit Company, and a director in the Massie Wireless Telegraph Company of this city. He was a member of the Board of Trade, of the S. B. Club, and of the First Light Infantry Veteran Association.

Mr. Cranston married, December 21, 1869, Sarah, daughter of Hiram Hill of Providence. She survives him with four children, Frank H., Sarah, Louise, and Mrs. Helen C. Vose.

WALTER HERBERT SMALL.

Walter Herbert Small, superintendent of the public schools of Providence, died suddenly at his residence, 42 Adelphi Avenue, Providence, on September 15, 1909. He was the son of Lot and Hannah (Smith) Small, and was born in

Provincetown, Massachusetts, April 21, 1856. He was graduated from the Provincetown high school in 1874, and from Dartmouth College, with the degree of A. B., in 1878. In 1882 he also received the degree of A. M. from Dartmouth. He was a teacher in the Medfield, Massachusetts, high school in 1878 and 1879, and at Hudson from 1879 to 1893. From 1893 until 1897 he was superintendent of schools at Palmer, and from 1897 until 1902 at Chelsea. Since 1902 he had held the same position in Providence.

While living in Massachusetts he was president, for a time, of the Massachusetts School Masters' Club and of the Whitman Club of Boston. In Rhode Island he was for one year, the usual term of office, president of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction. He was also a member of the National Educational Association and took an active interest in the American Institute of Instruction. He was a member of the Central, University and Barnard Clubs, president of the Dartmouth Alumni Association in Providence, a Past Master of the Doric Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Hudson, and an honorary member of the Nestell Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Providence. While at Hudson he was also First Lieutenant of the Company of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. He was a member of the First Congregational (Unitarian) Church of this city, and president of the Unitarian Club, 1906-1907.

A prolific writer and speaker on educational topics, he was completing, at the time of his death, a work on "Colonial Schools," and was preparing a paper to be used at the International Hygiene Congress at Paris in March. He was much interested in out-door schools and school baths, and, with the assistance of Dr. Jay Perkins, did much towards the establishment, in Providence, of the first open air school in this country.

Mrs. Small survives him with two sons, Herman T. and Lot H. Small.

JOSEPH DAVOL.

Joseph Davol, president and treasurer of the Davol Rubber Company, died at his home, 48 Parkis Avenue, Providence, on

July 5, 1909. He was born in Warren, R. I., June 28, 1837, and was the son of Joseph Bowen and Mary Little (Saunders) Davol, both natives of Warren. He was educated in the public schools of Warren, graduating at an early age from its high school. He then went to New York, and, with his brother, became associated with a large and well-known wholesale dry goods house in that city. During his spare time he took every opportunity of informing himself about the manufacture of rubber, and was one of the first to foresee its possibilities.

In 1870 he formed a partnership with Daniel C. Perkins of Providence, and they established a small plant on Point Street. Mr. Perkins soon withdrew and Mr. Davol went on alone until his sons were old enough to have a share in the business. He steadily increased the size of the plant and improved the machinery, until it became the largest of its kind in the world, and its product came to be the standard of excellence in the rubber market. Up to the time of his last illness Mr. Davol maintained an active interest in the affairs of his company, of which he was president, treasurer and principal owner, nearly all of the stock standing in his name and the names of members of his immediate family.

Mr. Davol was not only prominent among the business men of Providence but was also well known in the business and financial circles of Boston and New York. He was a director in the Industrial Trust Company and the Phenix National Bank, a member of the board of trustees of the Rhode Island Safe Deposit Company, and connected with several other corporations. He was a member of the Squantum and Hope Clubs, but because of his fondness for home life was seldom seen at either. In general he was of a retiring nature and cared little for public life.

Mr. Davol married, May 26, 1862, Mary Eliza Turner of Providence, who survives him, as also do his two sons, Charles J. Davol, the manager and one of the directors of the Davol Rubber Co., and George A. Davol, who is now living in Boston.

ALBERT W. BROWN.

Albert W. Brown died at his home, 216 New York Avenue, Providence, January 21, 1909. He was born in Hopkinton, R. I., September 15, 1860, and was the son of John B. and Anstress C. (Spencer) Brown. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and at East Greenwich Academy, and afterwards graduated from Gaskell's Business College, Manchester, N. H.

Mr. Brown came to Providence in early life, and was, for several years, employed as a conductor on the street cars; but on May 13, 1893, he entered the employ of the United States government as a letter carrier, and remained in this occupation for the rest of his life.

For twenty years he had been an enthusiastic collector, not only of stamps, but of books, maps, and pictures, chiefly pertaining to Rhode Island. He was a member of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society, and the New England Historic-Genealogical Society. His large collection of pamphlets has now become the property of this Society.

He married, August, 1896, Alice B. Brightman, at that time a teacher in the public schools of Hope Valley, R. I. She survives him with two daughters and one son.

WALTER D. HARRIS.

Walter D. Harris died February 6, 1909, in a private hospital in Providence, after an operation for appendicitis. He was the son of Elisha S. and Martha P. (Phetteplace) Harris, and was born in Georgiaville May 25, 1862. In 1885 he began working in a fruit store in Olneyville, was next employed by C. Crawford Hale, and afterwards went into the grocery business for himself on Plainfield Street. Some years later he engaged in the real estate business. Before Johnston was, in part, annexed to Providence, he was town surveyor as well as highway commissioner, and became a member of the Town Council in 1899. He was a prominent Democrat in the old town, and was appointed postmaster at Olneyville during the

last three months of Cleveland's second administration. When this office was made a substation he was appointed superintendent and held that office the rest of his life.

Mr. Harris was secretary of the Olneyville Business Men's Association every year but one from the time of its organization, and in that year served as president. He was a member of the Mayflower Lodge of I. O. O. F., of the Nestell Lodge F. and A. M., secretary of the Scituate Royal Arch Chapter, and first secretary, as well as past president, of the Sunset Club. He took much interest in civic matters, writing several papers dealing with the territory of the Olneyville section.

He married, in 1883, Mrs. Ida Clemence, who survives him with one son, Herbert E. Harris, now a student in the Harvard Medical School.

JOHN COMBE PEGRAM.

John Combe Pegram, a lawyer widely known in the city and throughout the state, died at the Hope Club in Providence, August 11, 1909.

Mr. Pegram was born August 26, 1842, in Queensborough, Ky., and was the son of William and Charlotte (Combe) Pegram. He was a graduate of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, in the class of 1863, and served in the Southern Atlantic blockading squadron on the *Wachusett* and other vessels during the Civil War, and on the staff of Admiral Dahlgren. After leaving the navy, in 1866, he went to Cambridge, Mass., to study law, and graduated from the Harvard Law School in 1868. He was admitted to the Rhode Island bar the same year, and since 1885 had been the senior member of the firm of Pegram and Cooke, though not recently in active practice.

Mr. Pegram had always taken a lively interest in public affairs, but was a man of marked independence. He was a member of the Common Council, 1874-1875, and of the House of Representatives, 1869-1870, and also in 1908.

He was for two short periods acting Judge of the Municipal Court, and had been, since 1895, a Registrar in Bankruptcy. He was a trustee of the Rhode Island Hospital, and for several years the secretary of its Board of Trustees. He was also, until recently, a trustee of the Rhode Island State Sanatorium at Wallum Lake and president of the Rhode Island branch of the American National Red Cross.

He was a director in the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, a member of the Bar Association, the Virginia Historical Society, the Loyal Legion, the Economic Club, the Hope Club, the Art Club, the Agawam Hunt Club, and the Army and Navy Club in Washington. He occasionally wrote editorials, book reviews, and other articles for the Providence Journal. His editorial articles usually dealt with naval affairs, among these being an important series on the Sampson-Schley controversy.

Mr. Pegram married, in 1864, Isabel Homer, who died in 1892. They had one son, Dr. John C. Pegram, Jr., and three daughters, two of whom survive: Mrs. Richard R. Graham of Wickford and Mrs. Bruce Clark of New York.

JOHN FOSTER.

John Foster, a well-known resident of Providence, died at his home, 89 Courtland Street, December 31, 1909.

He was born in Providence, February 28, 1835, and was the son of John A. and Lucretia (Cady) Foster. He was educated in the public schools of this city, graduating from the public high school in 1851. He immediately entered, as an office boy, the Bank of Commerce, which then stood on the site now occupied by the What Cheer building. His business abilities soon earned for him the position of clerk and afterwards that of cashier, until, in 1892, he was elected vice-president of the bank. While holding the last two positions he was really the active manager of the bank. He was also a member of the board of investment of the People's Savings Bank, and a director of the Roger Williams Savings Bank and Loan Association. He was also a member of the Squantum Club.

On November 4, 1857, he married Miss Ellen Louise Andrews of Providence. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Florence Tillinghast, and by two grandchildren, Robert Foster Chambers, a graduate student in Brown University, and Miss Mildred Chambers.

HON. DANIEL L. D. GRANGER.

Daniel Larned Davis Granger died in his apartments at the Hotel Richmond, Washington, D. C., February 24, 1909. He was born in Providence, May 30, 1852, and was the son of Rev. Dr. James Nathaniel and Anna D. (Brown) Granger. Dr. Granger was, for some years, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Daniel prepared for college in the Mowry & Goff English and Classical School, and graduated from Brown in the class of 1874 with the degree of A. B. In 1902 he also received the degree of A. M.

After studying law for one year in the office of Brown and Van Slyck, in Providence, he entered the Boston University Law School, graduating in 1877. Later in the same year he was admitted to the Rhode Island bar, and shortly afterward to the bar of the United States courts, and began practice in Providence, which was thereafter his permanent home. Previous to 1889 he had served as a clerk in the House of Representatives of Rhode Island, but in that year he was elected city treasurer of Providence and held that office for eleven successive years.

In 1900 he was nominated by the Democratic party for the office of Mayor of Providence, and defeated the Republican candidate by a plurality of 1800 votes. The next year he was renominated for the same office and was again elected, this time by a plurality of over 6000 votes. It was Mr. Granger's intention to retire from public life at the close of this year's term, as he wished to attend to his private affairs, but he finally consented to accept the nomination of his party to represent the First Congressional District in the House of Representatives, and was elected to the office in opposition to

Melville Bull, the Republican candidate. He was reëlected Representative in 1904 and 1906, but in 1908 was defeated by a plurality of only 81 votes. This was the first and only defeat he sustained during his political career.

Mr. Granger was a trustee of the Providence Public Library, one-time president of the Churchmen's Club of Rhode Island, a member of the standing committee of the Episcopal diocese of this state, and vice-president of the Inter-Parliamentary Union for the promotion of International Arbitration and Commerce. He was also a member of the University Club of Providence, of the Manhattan Club of New York, of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity in Brown University, and a director in New York of certain building enterprises.

One of Mr. Granger's closest affiliations was with St. John's Episcopal Church. Until his death he was a member of its vestry, and for the twenty-five years preceding his election to Congress he was superintendent of the Sunday School. This latter position brought him into close relations with a large number of young men, in whose physical and spiritual welfare he took a deep interest, and who never came to him in vain for sympathy and effective assistance.

It would hardly be possible to give a more truthful and beautiful tribute to Mr. Granger's character than that given by President Faunce, in 1902, when Brown University conferred on him the Degree of A. M.: "Daniel Larned Davis Granger, for some time treasurer of the City of Providence, now its chief magistrate, in both offices showing sturdy honesty, unflinching courage, teaching us to love city more than party and righteousness more than all."

Mr. Granger is survived by a sister, Grace, who lived with him on Thayer Street in Providence, and by a brother, William D. Granger, M. D., of Bronxville, N. Y.

DAVID W. SMITH.

David Wilkinson Smith, instructor in Greek in Brown University, was struck and instantly killed by an electric car at

the Smithfield Road grade crossing at North Smithfield, December 30, 1909. Mr. Smith was born in North Smithfield in 1883, and was the son of Charles H. and Seraphine (Wilkinson) Smith. He prepared for college at the Woonsocket high school, where his record as a student has seldom been excelled, and graduated in 1903, the valedictorian of his class. On entering Brown, he won the president's second premiums in both Greek and Latin, and was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa in his Junior year. In June, 1907, he received the degrees of A. B. and A. M., having completed the work required for both degrees in four years. After graduation he received the appointment of instructor in Greek, a position which he held at the time of his death. Mr. Smith was an enrolled candidate for the degree of doctor of philosophy, and would have received the degree next June.—(From the Brown Alumni Monthly, February, 1910.)

PERSONS FROM WHOM GIFTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

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| <p>Abbot, Charles W., Jr., Warren
 Abel, Annie H., Baltimore
 Adams, Charles F., Quincy
 Addeman, Joshua M., Providence
 Arnold, Henry T., Norwich
 Arnold, James N., Providence
 Arnold, Stephen H., Providence
 Atkinson, Margaret L., Roslindale,
 Mass.
 Atwood, Mrs. F. A. D., New Boston
 Bates, Mrs. Francis E., Oak Lawn
 Bicknell, Thomas W., Providence
 Binney, Mrs. William, Providence
 Bixby, W. K., St. Louis
 Bongartz, Mrs. W. E., Beverly
 Brigham, Clarence S., Providence
 Brown, Clarence I., Providence
 Burge, William J., Edgewood
 Burgess, Gideon A., Darlington
 Burleigh, Sidney, Providence
 Buxton, G. Edward, Providence
 Casson, Herbert N., Pine Hill, N. Y.
 Chace, Henry R., Providence
 Chace, Mrs. Henry R., Providence
 Chace, Mrs. Lewis J., Providence
 Chapin, Charles V., Providence
 Chapin, Howard M., Providence
 Chapman, Henry L., Brunswick, Me.
 Chase, Philip S., Providence
 Chenery, W. F., Providence
 Clark, Franklin C., Providence
 Clark, Henry S., Paterson
 Comstock, Walter J., Providence
 Cooke, Miss L. M., Bristol
 Dailey, Charlotte, Providence
 Davis, Edwin W., Larimore, N. D.</p> | <p>Davis, John W., estate, Providence
 Dexter, Mary, Danielson
 Dowler, Charles, Providence
 Eaton, Amasa M., Providence
 Eddy, William H., Providence
 Ekhoﬀ, Emil, Stockholm
 Ellyson, J. Taylor, Richmond
 Everett, Richmond P., Providence
 Foster, William E., Providence
 Fow, John H., Philadelphia
 Gardner, Ida M., Providence
 Gardner, Margaret A., Providence
 Godard, George S., Hartford
 Granger, Grace, Providence
 Greene, Mary A., Providence
 Green, Samuel A., Boston
 Green, Theodore F., Providence
 Haynes, Henry W., Boston
 Hersey, George D., Providence
 Hills, Thomas, Boston
 Honey, Samuel R., Newport
 Hopkins, Charles W., Providence
 Hoppin, William Warner, New York
 Hoyt, David W., Providence
 Ingraham, F. A., Bristol
 Keach, Mary A., Providence
 Kendrick, Mrs. Joseph H., Provi-
 dence
 King, Eugene P., Providence
 King, Henry M., Providence
 Koopman, Harry L., Providence
 Lincoln, George H., Providence
 MacDonald, William, Providence
 Mason, George C., Ardmore, Pa.
 Mason, Orray T., Providence
 Matthews, Albert, Boston</p> |
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Mitchell, J. A., Boston	Slater, James S., Slatersville
Moon, James H., Falsington, Pa.	Smith, Frank, Dover
Morehead, Joseph M., Greensboro, N. C.	Smith, Miss M. R., Providence
Mott, Mildred L., Providence	Snow, Edwin H., Providence
Mowry, William A., Hyde Park	Sprague, Frank W., Worcester
Munro, Wilfred H., Providence	Stennett, W. H., Chicago
Nelson, William, Paterson	Stewart, F. H., Philadelphia
Norton, Walter W., Lakeville, Ct.	Titus, Anson, Boston
Olin, William M., Boston	Tucker, Edward T., New Bedford
Persons, Benjamin W., Providence	Updike, D. Berkeley, Boston
Philip, Rosavelle G., Providence	Webb, George H., Providence
Preston, Howard W., Providence	Webb, J. Audubon, Providence
Ranger, Walter E., Providence	Webb, Samuel H., Providence
Rogers, Emily P. S., Providence	Weeks, J. H., Jr., Stonington, Ct.
Rose, Henry B., Providence	Welch, Mrs. Ashbel, Germantown
Rowell, Benjamin W., Boston	Wilbour, Mrs. Joshua, Bristol
Scoville, W. H., Hartford	Wing, William A., New Bedford
Sherman, William W., New York	Winship, George P., Providence
Silver, Edgar O., Boston	Woods, Henry E., Boston
Slade, Walter F., Providence	Wright, Henry P., New Haven

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American Historical Association	Boston Associated Charities
American-Irish Historical Society	Boston Book Company
American Jewish Historical Society	Boston Cemetery Department
American Library Association	Boston City Auditor
American Philosophical Society	Boston Public Library
Amherst College	Boston Record Commissioners
Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company	Boston Weekly Transcript
	Brown Alumni Monthly

- Brown Daily Herald
 Brown University
 Bunker Hill Monument Association
 Butler Hospital
 California Historical Society
 Cambridge Historical Society
 Canadian Archives
 Canadian Institute
 Carnegie Institution of Washington
 Chicago Historical Society
 Chicago, University of
 Cincinnati, University of
 Colorado, University of
 Columbia University
 Connecticut Historical Society
 Dauphin County Historical Society
 Delaware Historical Society
 District of Columbia, Deutsche Historische Gesellschaft
 Essex Institute
 Gorham Manufacturing Company
 Hartford Theological Seminary
 Harvard University
 Hyde Park Historical Society
 Illinois State Historical Society
 Indian Rights Association
 Indiana Historical Society
 Indiana State Library
 Iowa Historical Department
 Iowa State Historical Society
 Ipswich Historical Society
 Kansas Historical Society
 Kentucky Historical Society
 Library of Congress
 Lowell Historical Society
 Louisiana Historical Society
 Maine Historical Society
 Maine State Library
 Manchester Historic Association
 Maryland Historical Society
 Massachusetts Historical Society
 Massachusetts Railroad Commissioners
 Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants
 Medford Historical Society
 Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society
 Michigan State Library
 Minnesota Historical Society
 Missouri Historical Society
 Missouri State Historical Society
 Nantucket Historical Association
 Nebraska Historical Association
 New England Historic-Genealogical Society
 New England Society in the City of New York
 New Hampshire Historical Society
 New Hampshire State Library
 New Haven Colony Historical Society
 New Jersey Historical Society
 New Mexico Historical Society
 New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
 New York Public Library
 New York Society of Mayflower Descendants
 New York State Historical Association
 New York State Library
 Newberry Library
 Newport Mercury
 Niagara Historical Society
 North Carolina Historical Society
 North Dakota State Historical Society
 Nova Scotia Historical Society
 Ohio Archæological and Historical Society
 Ohio Church History Society
 Ohio Historical and Philosophical Society
 Oklahoma Historical Society
 Old Colony Historical Society
 Old Dartmouth Historical Society
 Old Eliot Historical Society
 Old North West Genealogical Society
 Peabody Historical Society
 Pennsylvania, Genealogical Society of

- Pennsylvania, Historical Society of
 Pennsylvania, University of
 Philadelphia, Library Company of
 Princeton University
 Providence Athenæum
 Providence Board of Trade
 Providence City Auditor
 Providence Club for Colonial Reprints
 Providence Department of Public
 Works
 Providence Journal Company
 Providence Medical Association
 Providence Public Library
 Providence Record Commissioners
 Providence School Committee
 Quebec Literary and Historical So-
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 Quinabaug Historical Society
 Ragione Nuova
 Red Guide
 Rhode Island—Adjutant-General
 Agriculture, Board of
 Bank Commissioner
 Barbers, State Board of Examin-
 ers of
 Birds, Commissioners of
 Charities and Corrections, State
 Board of
 College
 Dams and Reservoirs, Commis-
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 Education, Board of
 Embalming, State Board of Reg-
 istration in
 Executive Department
 Factory Inspectors
 Forestry, Commissioner of
 General Assembly
 General Treasurer
 Health, Board of
 Institute for the Deaf, Board of
 Trustees of
 Insurance Commissioner
 Pharmacy, State Board of
 Rhode Island—
 Railroad Commissioner
 Soldiers' Relief, State Board of
 State House Commission
 State Library
 Supreme Court
 United States Volunteer Life-sav-
 ing Corps
 Weights, Measures and Balances,
 State Sealer of
 Rhode Island Baptist State Convention
 Rhode Island Citizens' Historical As-
 sociation
 Rhode Island Issue
 Rhode Island Medical Society
 Rhode Island School of Design
 Rhode Island Society, Daughters of
 the American Revolution
 Roger Williams Park Museum
 Royal Historical Society
 Royal Society of Northern Anti-
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 St. Elizabeth Home
 Sharon Historical Society
 Smithsonian Institution
 South Carolina Historical Society
 South Dakota Historical Society
 Southern California, Historical So-
 ciety of
 Southern Historical Association
 Southern Historical Society
 Swan Point Cemetery
 Swedish-American Historical Society
 Tennessee, University of
 Texas State Historical Association
 Topsfield Historical Society
 Toronto, University of
 Trinity College
 Tufts College
 United States Government
 Vermont Historical Society
 Vermont State Library
 Vermont, University of
 Virginia Historical Society

Washington University State His- torical Society	Worcester Board of Trade
Westerly Daily Sun	Worcester Society of Antiquity
Westerly Public Library	Wyoming Historical and Geological Society
William and Mary College	Yale University
Wisconsin History Commission	York Pioneer and Historical Society
Wisconsin State Historical Society	

MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

JANUARY, 1909.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

ELECTED.		RESIDENCE.
1888.	James Burrill Angell,	Ann Arbor, Mich.
1895.	Charles Francis Adams,	Boston, Mass.
1898.	James Phinney Baxter,	Portland, Me.
1902.	John Franklin Jameson,	Washington, D. C.
1902.	Elisha Benjamin Andrews,	Lincoln, Neb.
1902.	Oscar Solomon Straus,	New York, N. Y.
1904.	Irving Berdine Richman,	Muscatine, Iowa.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

ELECTED.		RESIDENCE.
1859.	Samuel Coffin Eastman,	Concord, N. H.
1867.	Samuel Abbott Green,	Boston, Mass.
1867.	Frederic Augustus Holden,	Hyattsville, Md.
1870.	Samuel Arnold Briggs,	Chicago, Ill.
1875.	Percy Daniels,	Carthage, Mo.
1875.	C. Mason Kinnie,	San Francisco, Cal.
1878.	Asa Bird Gardiner,	New York, N. Y.
1878.	Robert Alonzo Brock,	Richmond, Va.
1878.	John Austin Stevens,	Newport, R. I.
1879.	Thomas Wentworth Higginson,	Newport, R. I.
1879.	Ray Greene Huling,	Cambridge, Mass.
1880.	James Grant Wilson,	New York, N. Y.
1880.	Thomas Williams Bicknell,	Providence, R. I.
1882.	Wilfred Harold Munro,	Providence, R. I.
1882.	Leander Cornelius Manchester,	Lowell, Mass.
1882.	Charles Henry Hart,	Philadelphia, Pa.

ELECTED.

		RESIDENCE.
1883.	Stephen Denison Peet,	Chicago, Ill.
1884.	Abner Cheney Goodell,	Salem, Mass.
1884.	Adolphus Skinner Hubbard,	San Francisco, Cal.
1885.	Franklin Bowditch Dexter,	New Haven, Conn.
1885.	Peter Butler Olney,	New York, N. Y.
1885.	Richard Olney,	Boston, Mass.
1885.	William Augustus Mowry,	Hyde Park, Mass.
1887.	George Alfred Raikes,	London, England.
1888.	Abby Isabel (Brown) Bulkley,	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1889.	William Henry Watson,	Utica, N. Y.
1890.	Franklin Pierce Rice,	Worcester, Mass.
1890.	William Harden,	Savannah, Ga.
1891.	Henry Fitz Gilbert Waters,	Salem, Mass.
1891.	William Warner Hoppin,	New York, N. Y.
1891.	Isaac Pitman Noyes,	Washington, D. C.
1892.	Henry Herbert Edes,	Boston, Mass.
1893.	Clarence Winthrop Bowen,	New York, N. Y.
1893.	Alfred Manchester,	Salem, Mass.
1894.	Charles Phelps Noyes,	St. Paul, Minn.
1895.	Stanislaus Murray Hamilton,	Washington, D. C.
1895.	David Fisher,	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1897.	William Ashmead Courtenay,	Newry, S. C.
1897.	Ellen D. Larned,	Thompson, Conn.
1898.	Henry Sweetser Burrage,	Portland, Me.
1899.	William Copley Winslow,	Boston, Mass.
1902.	Charles Howard Shinn,	Northfork, Cal.

ACTIVE MEMBERS.

*Life Members.

ELECTED.

1907. Abbot, Charles Wheaton, Jr.
 1897. Addeman, Joshua Melancthon
 1874. Aldrich, Nelson Wilmarth
 1905. Aldrich, William Fosdick
 1909. Allen, Frederick William
 1875. *Ames, William
 1907. Angell, Jesse Healey
 1897. Angell, John Wilmarth
 1893. Angell, Walter Foster
 1908. Anthony, Albert Lee
 1897. Anthony, Edwin Perkins
 1903. Arnold, Caroline F.
 1894. Arnold, Fred Augustus
 1889. Arnold, Frederick William
 1889. Arnold, Newton Darling
 1877. Arnold, Stephen Harris
 1881. *Austin, John Osborne
 1902. Avery, Morris H.
 1901. Baker, Albert Allison
 1901. Baker, Esther Hinckley
 1903. *Baker, George Towne
 1898. Baker, William Cotter
 1890. Ballou, William Herbert
 1891. Barker, Frederick Augustus
 1909. Barnes, Harry Lee
 1902. Barrows, Arthur Channing
 1879. Barton, William Turner
 1899. Bates, Frank Greene
 1883. Bates, Isaac Comstock
 1908. Bates, Louise Prosser
 1894. Bates, William Lincoln
 1898. Beach, Charles Horace
 1909. Bennett, Mark Newton
 1901. Blanchard, Edward Richmond

ELECTED.

1890. Blodgett, John Taggard
 1903. Blumer, George Alder
 1907. Bosworth, Orrin Luther
 1894. Bourn, Augustus Osborne
 1907. Bowen, Charles Wetter
 1898. Bowen, Charles William
 1901. Bowen, Henry
 1872. *Bowen, Holder Borden
 1907. Bowen, Richard Martin
 1901. *Brayton, Charles Ray
 1901. Brayton, Walter Francis
 1893. Briggs, Benjamin Franklin
 1899. Brigham, Clarence Saunders
 1908. Brigham, Herbert Olin
 1904. Brown, Cyrus Perrin
 1883. Brown, D. Russell
 1883. Brown, H. Martin
 1900. Brown, Nathaniel Howland
 1899. Brown, Robert Perkins
 1901. Budlong, John Clarke
 1901. Bugbee, Elizabeth Dorrance
 1896. Bullock, Emma Westcott
 1908. Burchard, Roswell B.
 1905. Burdick, Frank Elisha
 1906. Burlingame, Edwin Aylesworth
 1907. Burlingame, Edwin Harris
 1901. Calder, Albert Lawton, 2d
 1859. Calder, George Beckford
 1891. *Callender, Walter
 1905. Callender, Walter Reid
 1905. Campbell, Jere
 1874. Carpenter, Francis Wood
 1897. Carrington, Edward
 1899. Carrington, Mary Fessenden

ELECTED.

1907. Carroll, William
 1889. Catlin, Charles Albert
 1894. Chace, Henry Richmond
 1888. Chace, James Hervey
 1880. Chace, Jonathan
 1892. Chace, Lucretia Gifford
 1906. Chace, Sarah F. C.
 1895. *Chaffee, Hattie Budlong
 1884. Chapin, Charles Value
 1892. Chapin, William Waterman
 1880. Chase, Julian A.
 1887. Clafin, Arthur Whitman
 1909. Clark, Edward Stimson
 1905. Clark, Franklin Chase
 1895. Clark, Harry Clinton
 1897. Clarke, Jennie Miles
 1904. Cole, Frederick Bradford
 1885. Collins, George Lewis
 1906. Colt, Samuel Pomeroy
 1890. Comstock, Louis Hall
 1886. Comstock, Richard Williams
 1891. Conant, Samuel Morris
 1872. Congdon, Johns Hopkins
 1903. *Cushing, Adoniram Judson
 1906. Dana, Frederick Irving
 1886. *Danielson, John W.
 1901. Darling, George Curtis
 1886. Dart, Edward Merrill
 1891. Davis, Henry Richard
 1887. Day, Albert Clifford
 1894. Day, Frank Leslie
 1894. Day, Henry Gould
 1906. Dennis, Arthur Wellington
 1895. Dexter, Elizabeth Bridg-
 ham
 1902. Dexter, George Washington
 1901. Dexter, Henry Clinton
 1899. Dodge, Martha Ann
 1901. Doran, John
 1877. Dorrance, Sam'l Richmond
 1882. Douglas, Wm. Wilberforce
 1900. Dowling, Austin

ELECTED.

1903. Drowne, Frederick Eugene
 1897. Dubois, Edward Church
 1894. *Duncan, William Butler
 1875. Dunnell, William Wanton
 1908. Dyer, Sarah Elizabeth
 1906. Easton, Frederick Willard
 1872. *Eaton, Amasa Mason
 1905. Eddy, William Joseph
 1904. Edwards, Stephen Ostrom
 1876. *Ely, William
 1908. Emerson, Frank Wells
 1907. Estes, William Wood
 1858. *Everett, Richmond Pearl
 1892. Farnsworth, John Prescott
 1900. Faunce, William H. P.
 1908. Feeley, William J.
 1901. Fenner, Herbert Nicholas
 1890. Fiske, George McClellan
 1885. FitzGerald, Ormond Edward
 1893. Flint, Susan Amelia
 1903. Folsom, Herbert Arthur
 1904. Ford, William Henry
 1906. Foster, Charles Samuel
 1905. Foster, Joseph Henry
 1900. Foster, Theodore W.
 1881. Foster, William Eaton
 1903. *Freeman, James Francis
 1906. Freeman, John Ripley
 1897. Freeman, Joseph Wood
 1875. Gammell, Robert Ives
 1884. Gammell, William
 1889. Gardner, Henry Brayton
 1889. Gardner, Rathbone
 1902. Gladding, Henry Coggeshall
 1894. Goddard, Elizabeth Cass
 1880. Goddard, Robert Hale Ives
 1883. Goodwin, Daniel
 1907. Gorton, Adelos
 1903. Gorton, George Olney
 1894. Gottschalk, Mary H. B. von
 1893. Granger, William Smith
 1891. Grant, Henry Tyler
 1897. Green, Theodore Francis

ELECTED.

1893. Greene, Charles William
 1893. Greene, Edward Aborn
 1906. Greene, William Chace
 1877. Greene, William Maxwell
 1896. Grieve, Robert
 1899. Griffin, Thomas Jefferson
 1900. Guild, Georgiana
 1878. Hall, Robert
 1901. Harris, Robert
 1898. Harris, Walter Douglas
 1904. Harrison, George Arnold
 1895. Harrison, Joseph LeRoy
 1889. Hart, George Thomas
 1907. Hart, William Octave
 1901. Hayes, Frederic
 1894. *Hazard, Caroline
 1888. Hazard, Rowland Gibson
 1903. Hazard, Samuel Anthony
 1881. Hersey, George Dallas
 1901. Hodgman, William Lansing
 1907. Holden, George James
 1908. Hoopes, Wilford Lawrence
 1892. Hopkins, Charles Wyman
 1897. Hoppin, William Anthony
 1901. Horton, Leonard Wheaton
 1891. Howe, Marc Antony De-
 Wolf
 1898. Hoxie, Frederick Jerome
 1882. Hoyt, David Webster
 1889. Hudson, James Smith
 1901. Humphrey, George
 1901. Hunt, Horatio Allen
 1896. Isham, Norman Morrison
 1906. Jackson, Benjamin Mann
 1882. Jackson, William Francis
 Bennett
 1898. Jenckes, John
 1897. Jepherson, George Arthur
 1900. Jillson, Francello George
 1899. *Keach, Mary Alice
 1901. Kelley, Arthur Livingston
 1880. Kenyon, James Stanton
 1902. Kimball, Charles Dean

ELECTED.

1900. Kimball, Gertrude Selwyn
 1892. Kimball, Horace Arnold
 1902. Kimball, Sarah Dexter
 1907. King, George Farquhar
 Jones
 1885. *King, George Gordon
 1892. King, Henry Melville
 1884. King, William Dehon
 1897. Knight, Amelia Sumner
 1879. Knight, Edward Balch
 1905. Knox, Horatio Bickford
 1894. Koopman, Harry Lyman
 1901. Lawton, George Robert
 1901. Lee, Thomas Zanslaur
 1890. Leete, George Farmer
 1892. Lincoln, Ferdinand August-
 ine
 1878. Lippitt, Charles Warren
 1898. Littlefield, Nathan Whit-
 man
 1891. Lord, Augustus Mendon
 1901. Lyman, Richard E.
 1901. MacDonald, William
 1907. Maine, Herbert Ephraim
 1892. Mason, A. Livingstoh
 1877. Mason, Eugene Waterman
 1896. Mason, Fletcher Stone
 1877. Mason, John Hale
 1895. McCabe, Anthony
 1883. Meader, Lewis Hamilton
 1901. Metcalf, Harold
 1903. *Metcalf, Louisa Dexter
 1901. Mowry, Wendell Axtell
 1906. Mumford, Charles Carney
 1906. Munro, Arthur Earle
 1901. Munro, Walter Lee
 1881. Munro, Wilfred Harold
 1909. Munroe, Addison Pierce
 1894. Nicholson, Samuel Mowry
 1874. Nightingale, Geo. Corliss
 1897. Nightingale, Geo. Corliss, Jr.
 1894. *Noyes, Charles Phelps
 1897. Noyes, Robert Fanning

ELECTED.

1897. Olney, George Henry
 1909. Paddock, Miner Hamlin
 1885. Page, Charles Harris
 1906. Paige, Henry
 1899. Peckham, William Mackey
 1903. Peirce, Augustus Richmond
 1905. Perry, Charles Manchester
 1907. Philbrick, Charles Horace
 1899. Poland, William Carey
 1878. Porter, Emory Huntington
 1901. Potter, Dexter Burton
 1887. Preston, Howard Willis
 1906. Ranger, Walter Eugene
 1906. Rathbun, Elmer Jeremiah
 1902. Rawson, Thomas Brownell
 1906. Reynolds, Walter Nichols
 1896. Rhodes, Christopher
 1900. Rhodes, William Conrad
 1877. Richmond, Walter
 1808. Rickard, Abbie Smith Weld
 1891. Ripley, James Morrison
 1898. Rivers, Mary
 1895. *Rodman, Robert
 1881. Roelker, William Greene
 1888. *Rogers, Arthur
 1890. Rugg, Henry Warren
 1899. Sears, Adeline Harris
 1907. Sharpe, Henry Dexter
 1902. Sharpe, Lucian
 1908. Shaw, Emma Buzzell
 1874. Shedd, Joel Herbert
 1881. Sheffield, William Paine, Jr.
 1885. Sheldon, Nicholas
 1898. Shepard, Elizabeth Ann
 1879. Shepley, George Leander
 1899. *Sherman, William Watts
 1908. Shippee, Lester Burrell
 1906. Sisson, Charles
 1897. Slade, Susan Elizabeth
 1900. Slater, James S.
 1902. Smith, Charles Morris
 1907. Smith, Charles Warren
 1875. Smith, Edwin Augustus

ELECTED.

1901. Smith, Nathaniel Waite
 1907. Smith, Robert Morton
 1897. Smith, Walter Burges
 1881. Spooner, Henry Joshua
 1888. Stark, Charles Rathbone
 1906. Stearns, Walter Henry
 1908. Stillman, Elisha Coggeshall
 1878. Stiness, John Henry
 1899. Stockwell, George Appleton
 1901. Studley, J. Edward
 1886. Sturges, Howard Okie
 1907. Sullivan, James Edmund
 1903. Sumner, Arthur Preston
 1908. Swan, Frank Herbert
 1873. *Swan, Jarvis Bowen
 1894. Swarts, Gardner Taber
 1902. Sweetland, William Howard
 1896. Taft, Orray
 1856. Taft, Royal Chapin
 1901. Taft, Royal Chapin, Jr.
 1908. Thayer, Gertrude Lucretia
 1881. Thomas, Charles Lloyd
 1901. Thornley, William Henry
 1890. Thornton, George Mumford
 1889. Tillinghast, James
 1898. Tillinghast, William Richmond
 1907. Tingley, Samuel Herbert
 1901. Tingley, Rowena P. B.
 1890. Tower, James Henry
 1908. Tufts, Susan Cotton
 1885. Updike, Daniel Berkeley
 1896. Vincent, Walter Borodell
 1903. Warner, Clarence MacDon-
 ald
 1906. Warren, Charles Henry
 1901. Warren, Joseph Draper
 1901. Waterman, Lewis Anthony
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 1890. Webb, Samuel Herbert
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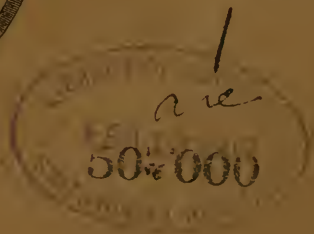
1887. Welling, Richard Ward
Greene
1894. Weston, George Franklin
1885. *Wetmore, George Peabody
1889. *White, Hunter Carson
1896. White, Willis H.
1903. Whitehouse, John Senior
1892. *Wilbour, Linda Olney
1903. Wilbour, Victor
1900. Wilkinson, Anna Reed

ELECTED.

1907. Williams, William Fred-
erick
1901. Wilson, Alfred
1888. Wilson, George Grafton
1909. Wing, William Arthur
1895. Winship, George Parker
1897. Woods, John Carter Brown
1907. Woodward, Elbert Warren
1909. Young, Charles Mason

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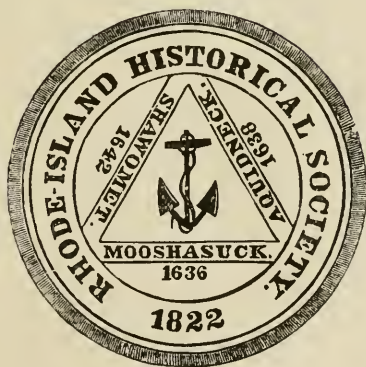


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1911

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OFFICERS

OF THE

RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY,

ELECTED JANUARY 10, 1911.

President.

WILFRED H. MUNRO.

Vice-Presidents.

WILLIAM MACDONALD,

ROBERT H. I. GODDARD

Secretary.

AMASA M. EATON.

Treasurer.

ROBERT P. BROWN.

Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper.

FRANK G. BATES.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Nominating Committee.

GEORGE C. NIGHTINGALE,

BENJAMIN F. BRIGGS,

ARTHUR E. MUNRO.

Library Committee.

GEORGE P. WINSHIP,

DAVID W. HOYT,

ELISHA H. HOWARD.

WILFRED H. MUNRO, *ex officio.*

PROCEEDINGS

APRIL, 1910, TO JANUARY, 1911.

QUARTERLY MEETING, APRIL 5, 1910.

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Winship, on behalf of the library committee, reported the resignation on February 1 of Mr. Wing, the librarian and cabinet-keeper.

The President reported, on behalf of the committee on the erection in the State House of a tablet in memory of Sir Henry Vane, the younger, that no action on the subject had been taken by the General Assembly

The nominating committee reported, recommending that Charles Read Carr of Warren, Miss Elizabeth Andrews Peck, Elisha Harris Howard, and Frederick Newton Luther of Providence be admitted to membership in this Society. Upon motion passed unanimously, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for their admission to membership, and upon his so doing, they were declared to be duly elected.

Mr. Isham reported verbally, on behalf of the committee on grounds and buildings, recommending that shelves be placed in the basement and two stacks in the second story, and that sundry changes be made in the arrangements for the care of the maps. He also recommended that electric lighting be installed. These matters were referred to the executive committee.

Mr. Brown read a memorial paper on Richmond P. Everett, late treasurer of the Society, and it was ordered placed on file.

The members then listened to a paper by Mr. Henry R. Chace on "John Angel's Account Book."

It was voted that the thanks of the Society be given Mr. Chace for his interesting paper.

The Society then adjourned.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JULY 5, 1910.

The President in the chair.

There being no quorum present, the meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the chair.

QUARTERLY MEETING, OCTOBER 4, 1910.

The President in the chair.

The records of the last two meetings were read and approved.

The librarian and cabinet-keeper reported verbally on the Brown Collection, the desirability of an increase in membership, etc.

The nominating committee recommended the admission to membership of Eva St. Clair Brightman of Fall River, Emory Delos Lapham of East Rochester, N. Y., and Eugene Pride King, Stephen I. Peck and Louis D. Richardson of Providence. Upon motion, passed unanimously, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for their admission to membership, and upon his doing so, they were declared to be duly elected.

Upon recommendation of the president, Vicente G. Quesada and Ernesto Quesada of Buenos Aires, Argentina, were unanimously elected corresponding members.

The Society then adjourned.

EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 10, 1911.

The eighty-ninth annual meeting was held on Tuesday evening, January 10, 1911, at the cabinet, the president, Wilfred H. Munro, in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the librarian and cabinet-keeper was read and ordered placed on file.

The committee on nominations reported, recommending the admission to membership of Charles Bristed Rockwell of Bristol, Thomas Arnold Peirce of East Greenwich, and Claire Bliven, Walter Cochrane Bronson, Clara Buffum, Randall Judson Condon, Mrs. Lowell Emerson, Charles Augustus Hubbard, and Edward Irving Mulchahey, of Providence. Upon motion, passed unanimously, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for their admission to membership, and upon his doing so, they were declared to be duly elected.

The president read his annual address, and it was ordered placed on file.

The treasurer read his annual report, and it was ordered placed on file.

The report of the committee on grounds and buildings was read and ordered placed on file.

The report of the library committee was read and ordered placed on file.

The publication committee reported verbally through the chairman, William MacDonald.

The report of the finance committee was read and ordered placed on file.

The committee appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year presented the list of nominees (to be found on page 5 of this number of the Proceedings).

On motion, the election of procurators was passed until the next quarterly meeting.

On motion, the secretary was directed to cast a ballot for the other officers and members of committees, and, upon his doing so, they were declared to be unanimously elected.

Mr. Herbert Maine spoke of the urgent necessity for a historical museum of local antiquities, as advocated by the president in his annual address. On motion of Mr. Eaton, seconded by Mr. Sisson, it was voted that the subject of an historical museum be referred to the executive committee, to be reported upon at a later meeting.

On motion of Rev. Samuel H. Webb, it was

Resolved, That, for the current year, the president, two vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, librarian, and the chairmen of the several standing committees shall constitute an executive committee, at whose meetings the president shall preside. This committee shall exercise a general supervision on behalf of the Society in all matters not directly referred to the president or to a standing or special committee. Any four members of this committee shall constitute a quorum for

the transaction of business generally, and a notice for a meeting of the Society shall be deemed a notice for a meeting of this committee.

Mr. MacDonald moved, and upon debate, the motion being duly seconded, it was voted that the executive committee be requested to consider and report to the Society, at its next quarterly meeting, a plan for increasing the funds of the Society

Upon motion of Mr. Isham, that the committee on grounds and buildings be authorized to expend not over \$125 for a map case, the matter was referred to the executive committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Eaton it was

Resolved, That the executive committee is hereby directed and empowered to investigate the condition of the archives of the state, and to petition the General Assembly to print such state papers, early records, and other documents, as in the judgment of the committee, should be printed or reprinted.

The Society then adjourned.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS, 1911.

(The manuscript of the address delivered by the president at the annual meeting has been lost. The address was an historical résumé of the organization and work of the Society, followed by suggestions for future action. From scattered memoranda the following abstract has been made.)

The Rhode Island Historical Society was incorporated in 1822. It is the third state society in point of age, the only seniors being the societies in Massachusetts and New York.

The societies in the older states were founded as follows :

Massachusetts Historical Society	1791
New York Historical Society	1804
Rhode Island Historical Society	1822
New Hampshire Historical Society	1823
Pennsylvania Historical Society	1824
Connecticut Historical Society	1825
Vermont Historical Society	1838
Maryland Historical Society	1844

The American Antiquarian Society of Worcester dates from 1812.

In the first quarter of the last century there was on the part of the general public a growing interest in matters connected with the early history of the colony and state. Men realized that many collections of papers containing material of inestimable value to the historical student had already been destroyed through carelessness or ignorance, and that other collections would undoubtedly be lost unless organized efforts

were at once made for their preservation. In the words of John Howland, our second president — “From the settlement of the Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, more than a hundred and eighty years ago, valuable historical material has been wasting away year by year without any concerted effort being put forth to save it and use it in the interest of veritable history.” Sometimes the papers were destroyed by the fires that swept away so many of our old colonial houses. But the loss from other agencies was constant. The kitchen stoves, the grocers’ clerks, the rats and mice in many a garret were working daily destruction. The holders of these historical treasures were almost never sensible of their value. The careful housewife thrust them out of sight. The annual house-cleaning caused annual annihilation. The deadliest foe was, and is, the junkman. We should never pass a junkman’s book counter without examining it carefully; amazing “finds” sometimes reward us. A city bookseller’s bargain counter is ordinarily of little worth. The bookseller usually knows his business, but the village junkman and the second-hand dealer in the city are not as a rule men with large knowledge of literary values.

The charter was obtained in June, 1822. The first election of officers was held July 19, the anniversary of the granting of the charter of 1663 (July 8, old style), and for twenty-six years thereafter the annual elections were held on that date. The charter members were twelve in number. All but one of them were graduates of Brown University. Most of them were young men and almost all attained large eminence and influence in the state.

Jeremiah Lippitt, Brown 1808, was a lawyer. He afterwards became a merchant in North Carolina.

William Aplin was a merchant. He died in 1852. The directory for that year makes him a grocer.

Charles Norris Tibbitts, Brown 1811, was a lawyer, a man of scholarly tastes who died before he was forty years old.

Walter Raleigh Danforth, Brown 1805, was by profession a lawyer. For a number of years he had been clerk of the

Supreme Judicial Court for Providence County. For ten years he was a member of the Town Council. He was Collector of Customs from 1829 to 1840. In 1853 he was Mayor of the city. Later he was chosen a member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives. When the Society was chartered he was an editor. His connection in this capacity with the Providence Gazette dates from 1820. He was perhaps the most influential of the charter members at the time of their incorporation.

William Reed Staples, Brown 1817, LL.D. 1862, was at this time but twenty-four years old. He was to become Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court. His great services to the Society and to the state are too well known to require comment.

Richard Ward Greene, Brown 1812, LL.D. 1848, was also a lawyer who was to become Chief Justice. From 1826 to 1845 he was United States District Attorney. For many years he was a member of the state legislature, serving in both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

John Brown Francis, Brown 1808, was to be for thirty years a member of the Rhode Island Legislature. For six years he was to be Governor of the state, and in 1844 was to be made United States Senator. From 1841 to 1854 he was to be Chancellor of Brown University.

William Giles Goddard, Brown 1812, LL.D. Bowdoin 1843, was at this time the editor of the Rhode Island American. In 1825 he was appointed to a professorship in Brown University. At the time of his death in 1846 he was a member of the Board of Fellows of the University.

Charles Foster Tillinghast, Brown 1814, was a lawyer. He was a member of the Rhode Island Constitutional Convention in 1843. He also served in the state legislature.

Richard James Arnold, Brown 1814, was from 1814 to 1823 a merchant in Providence. From 1823 to 1861 he was a rice and cotton planter in Georgia. In 1861, at the outbreak of the Civil War, he came back to live in Providence. From 1826 to his death in 1873 he was a trustee of Brown University.

Charles Jackson, Brown 1817, was a lawyer and a cotton manufacturer. For several years he was a member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives. Like Tillinghast he was a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1843. In 1845-1846 he was Governor of Rhode Island.

William Ebenezer Richmond was a lawyer with a strong leaning toward literary pursuits. In 1821 Brown University recognized this fact by conferring upon him the honorary degree of Master of Arts. He was in that year the editor of the "Manufacturers' and Farmers' Journal." He was the oldest of the charter members, being thirty-six years old in 1822.

The incorporators, it should be noted, were almost all young men. Staples was only twenty-four years of age, and Jackson, his classmate, was but a year older. How amazed they would have been at their first meeting if some one had foretold that of their number there were to be — one Chancellor, one Fellow, four Trustees, and one Professor of Brown University, one Mayor of Providence, two Chief Justices of the State of Rhode Island, two Governors of Rhode Island, and one United States Senator.

These young men were wise in their day and generation. The first name they added to their own was that of James Fenner. Mr. Fenner was at this time fifty-one years old, perhaps the most prominent man in the state. Him they made president of the Society. He was a graduate of Brown in the class of 1789. He had already been a member of the United States Senate, had been for four years Governor of Rhode Island and was to fill the gubernatorial chair for nine years more. For eleven years he was president of the Society.

From 1822 to 1834 the meetings of the Society were held in the Senate Chamber of the Rhode Island State House. Its "Collections" were kept in a case in that chamber. When this case became over-crowded Brown & Ives offered the use of "a spacious room in their brick block on South Main Street." Two years later Cyrus Butler offered the free use of still larger quarters in the upper story of the Arcade.

In the Arcade the Society remained until 1844, when the older part of this cabinet was erected.

For thirteen years the Society's work was the collection of manuscripts, books, pamphlets, etc., relating to local history, and the preparation of the material now preserved in the early volumes of the "Collections." No lectures (at least none of which record was made) were delivered in all that time. An attempt was made in 1828 to secure an address from William Hunter of Newport (Mr. Hunter had been a United States Senator, and was to be our Minister to Brazil). But Newport was even farther away from Providence then than it is now. The speaker failed to appear at the State House at the time appointed, and the members of the Society there assembled were forced to content themselves with a social festivity. Perhaps I need not explain to this audience of historical students, familiar as they are with the habits of that time, that this festivity was not lacking in spirits.

The first lecture course was given in 1835-1836 in Franklin Hall. John Howland, the president of the Society, opened the course with a paper entitled, "Personal Recollections and Anecdotes of Revolutionary Scenes and Events." These twelve lectures, however, were not free. Their object was not only to awaken a more general interest in things historical, but also to secure money for advancing historical work. The other lecturers were Albert Gorton Greene, who was to succeed Mr. Howland as the president of the Society and who was to achieve large notoriety as the author of "Old Grimes;" Professor Romeo Elton of Brown University; Francis Baylies of Taunton, the historian of the Plymouth Colony; Tristram Burges, who had been for ten years a member of the United States House of Representatives, — unquestionably the most remarkable orator that ever represented Rhode Island in that body; Job Durfee, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court; the Reverend Charles Wentworth Upham, Pastor of the First Church of Salem, Mass.; the Reverend Dr. David Benedict of Pawtucket, best known from his General History of the Baptist Denomination; Judge Wil-

liam Reed Staples, whose historical works are too well-known to require comment; and John Pitman, Justice of the United States District Court.

You will notice that all but two of these men were Rhode Islanders. All were members of the Society. All were men of large influence, some of them had won national fame.

A second course was given the next season, and then the lectures ceased for a time. One paper was read by Judge Staples in 1838, but the records chronicle no others until 1844, when Professor William Gammell delivered an address at the opening of the new cabinet (the old part of this building). From 1838 to 1854, inclusive, seventeen years, thirteen papers only were presented; from 1855 to 1873 seventy-seven, four and one-half per year. The Society was not startlingly active in those last twenty years. Its only literary output was Volume VI of the "Collections."

In 1873 Amos Perry was elected secretary. Mr. Perry immediately "got busy." What a marvel of industry and enthusiasm he was in those days! Twelve lectures were the result of his first year of service. From that time until his death he arranged for about twelve papers each season, at intervals of two weeks. The series usually began in October and ended in April. During his long term of office as secretary, Mr. Perry was virtually the lecture committee of the Society, and as such arranged almost all its lectures. Since his death eight lectures a year have ordinarily been given. The average attendance now is much larger than it was in Mr. Perry's time. We must emphasize the features that meet with so much approval.

To-day the Society is doing a large service to the community. Our rooms are more frequented by students than ever before. Especially are our genealogical shelves sought. Never a day passes when some genealogical quest is not pursued. Interest in Rhode Island history is steadily increasing. Books relating to the history of the state are daily sought. Daily appeal is made to our librarian for specific information. We must continue to enlarge and improve our library.

But how shall we find the room for our enlarged library, for our constantly increasing work? This Society was "created a body corporate and politic for the purpose of procuring and preserving whatever relates to the topography, *antiquities*, and the national, civil and ecclesiastical history of the state." When removal was made to this new edifice in 1844 "*antiquities*" began to be thrust upon us. Some were of priceless value, others were mere rubbish. The cabinet at first absorbed them all, and as a result quickly became full. Following repletion came selection, rejection, destruction. We were, and are, obliged to refuse, or at least to postpone the acceptance of many things because we have no room for them. Even when the cabinet was more than doubled in size our museum speedily became crowded. To-day it is again running over. Let me urge again the establishment of that State Historical Museum which I have advocated in previous addresses.

This year a new feature has marked the work of the Society. It has opened its doors to the pupils who have come to us in classes from the public schools seeking larger acquaintance with the antiquities and the history of the state, and it has strengthened its usefulness and its influence mightily in so doing. From many lands came the fathers and the mothers of these children. Their history is not our history, their thoughts are not our thoughts, their ways are not our ways. Many of them cannot yet speak our language. None of them ever heard of Roger Williams until they set foot on the soil of these plantations. They do not appreciate the principle of religious liberty for which Williams contended, because the world has changed since the first half of the seventeenth century. Except in Russia and in Turkey the immigrants who have come to us have never been molested on account of their religious beliefs. They have enjoyed religious liberty without asking for it, without thinking about it, as they have enjoyed the light from the heavens. An Armenian, a Russian Jew, may appreciate the principles for which Roger Williams and his companions fought, for their own devotion to one form of religion may have brought to them oppression and persecution

in the land they left. But in this new country of their adoption they are so engrossed in the task of supporting a family that they have no time to become wildly enthusiastic over the ideas of the founder of this state. So with the Italian, and the Canadian Frenchman. But the children of the foreign-born should be taught to appreciate these things, and the children of the older stock should also have these matters constantly thrust upon their attention. They should be taught what our "lively experiment" of "full liberty in religious concerns" meant.

And that teaching is part of our function. We must do our share in developing their patriotism, in making them better Americans. By showing them what Rhode Islanders have accomplished in the past, what Rhode Island has always stood for, we can stimulate them to larger accomplishments in the future, to the maintenance of the Rhode Island idea in the nation, to the spreading of the Rhode Island idea throughout the world.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1911.

Since the librarian assumed his duties only on the first of September, this report will cover only matters since that date. The period has been one of adjustment, of becoming acquainted with the contents and routine of the library. While this adjustment has been in progress the routine work of the library has gone forward as usual,—accessions cared for, visitors received and reference work carried on.

Among the accessions by gift may be mentioned a number of books and manuscripts, presented by Miss Mary E. Knowles, from the estate of Richmond P. Everett. The manuscripts were for the most part formerly the property of John Howland. The most valuable single manuscript accession of the quarter just past is the plat of the Pettaquamscutt Purchase. This, the only known copy in existence, came to the Society through the thoughtful generosity of Mr. William B. Weeden. Among manuscripts deposited with the Society may be mentioned the original manuscript of the Hazard genealogy and the records of the Providence Kindergarten Association.

Of the book purchases, the greater number have been as usual in the allied fields of genealogy and local history. It is a well-known fact that, in tracing the history of almost any of the older Rhode Island families, one finds branches leading away to the Wyoming Valley or the Genessee Country, and a generation later to the Western Reserve, to Michigan and the prairie country beyond. So, as the Society's collection of New England local history becomes more complete, it becomes proper and practicable to broaden the field and gather the materials of local history for every region where any considerable number of Rhode Islanders and their descendants have found a home.

In response to an invitation extended by the librarian to the public school teachers at the recent session of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction, several history classes have visited the library and museum. When advance notice has been given special exhibits of articles from the museum have been arranged in the lecture room and explanatory talks given.

As the contents of the vault are not now included in the card catalogue, it has seemed desirable that until this could be accomplished some temporary guide should be provided. To this end an inventory of that material has been taken, in which every book or packet in print or manuscript is entered. This is arranged in index form for easy reference.

There are now available for distribution copies of a handbook of the Society just issued from the press. This describes briefly the history of the Society, its resources and present work. The preparation of the handbook and the maturing of plans for its distribution have occupied a portion of the time of the library force.

As has been said, the last four months have been a period of adjustment; they have also been a period of observation. It is needless to say that doubtless many things have escaped observation, and that the significance of others has not been appreciated. However, certain problems and needs have presented themselves as demanding attention; and these will be mentioned here. In the building the marked improvements of the last few months should be supplemented by the installation of electric lights and metal shelving. The need for electric lights is especially pressing. Under present conditions there are few places where readers can be accommodated on dark winter days, and there are hundreds of books whose titles cannot be read by natural light, except on very bright days, as they now stand on the shelves. The library force is not now, nor has it been for many years, sufficient to keep the library properly catalogued. With each year the situation becomes more serious. A library inadequately catalogued fails in a large measure to render the service which may

properly be demanded of it. An additional cataloguer should be added to the force, at least for a sufficient period to bring the work abreast of the present time. Among the larger accessories needed are additional catalogue cases, a modern typewriter, and a vacuum cleaner.

The handbook of which mention has been made was prepared with a view to use in a campaign for new members. In 1880 the Society had 241 members; in 1899, 367, and in 1909, 348. The growth in numbers has not kept pace with the growth of population in the community, nor with the increase in the interest of the public in genealogical and historical subjects. No valid reason exists why this Society should not have twice its present number of members. In bringing to pass a more desirable condition in this respect every member can and should assist.

In the eighty-nine years of its existence the Society has published ten volumes of Collections. To publish at the rate of one volume every nine years is not an evidence of virility in the Society. With the valuable manuscripts in the vault awaiting publication, means must be found for greater activity in this direction.

After all, the problems resolve themselves into the questions of active interest and of funds. The question of active interest is a personal question for each individual member; that of funds depends more largely on concerted effort. The expenses of the Society have grown and will continue to grow. The increase in income from accessions to membership alone will not suffice. The Rhode Island public is not niggardly in supporting worthy established institutions. That this Society has not received a larger share of public benevolences is due to excessive modesty on its part, which has deterred it from properly urging its claims. The cause is worthy. Why not urge its needs? It is the belief of the librarian that without delay steps should be taken by the Society to secure a substantial increase in its productive funds.

Permit me in closing this report to express my appreciation of the confidence reposed in me by the Society in their invi-

tation to become their librarian. I hope that this confidence will not prove to have been misplaced.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK GREENE BATES,
Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1910.

Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island Historical Society.

DR.		
Balance forward		\$932 31
Annual dues	\$813 00	
Interest on mortgage notes	551 75	
Dividends, Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.	112 00	
Interest Minneapolis Street Railway bonds	300 00	
Interest Railroad Notes	777 50	
Dividends, Merchants National Bank	105 00	
Dividends, Blackstone Canal Nat. Bank	56 26	
Dividends, Providence Gas Co.	168 00	
Interest on Life Membership Fund	147 14	
Interest on New Membership Fund	31 35	
Interest on Publication Fund	185 84	
Interest National Exchange Bank	22 15	
Rent, Patriotic Societies	71 00	
Sale of books	118 64	
State of Rhode Island	1,500 00	
	\$5,891 94	
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Amount paid for coal and wood	\$212 10	
Amount paid for removing ashes	11 00	
Amount paid for gas	26 89	
Amount paid for water	14 95	
Amount paid for telephone	37 15	
Amount paid for Insurance	80 75	
Amount paid for repairs	341 96	
Amount paid for printing and binding	549 05	
Amount paid for office expenses	209 69	
Salaries and administrative services	2,370 30	
Books, pamphlets, etc.	755 46	
Care of grounds	52 00	
Transfer to investment account	970 88	
	\$5,632 18	
Balance forward	259 76	
	\$5,891 94	

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON.

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society.*

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, ACCOUNT 1910.

DR.

For checks received from the General Treasurer . . . \$1,500 00

CR.

Paid to Library Committee	\$1,460 30	
Paid to General Account for administrative expenses	39 70	\$1,500 00
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DR. CHARLES W. PARSONS IMPROVEMENT FUND, JAN. 11, 1910.

DR.

Balance previous account	\$576 28	
York River bond	1,000 00	
Interest, York River bond	45 00	
60 Shares Pennsylvania R. R.	3,983 32	
Interest, " "	80 00	
Interest, National Exchange Bank	9 31	\$5,793 91
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60 shares Penn. R. R. Co.	3,983 32	
15 Shares New York Central R. R.	1,725 00	
Balance, Nat'l Exchange Bank	85 59	\$5,793 91
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*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society.*

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 11, 1910.

	DR.	
For Legacy Account:		
Samuel M. Noyes	\$12,000 00	
Henry J. Steere	10,000 00	
Charles H. Smith	5,000 00	
Esek A. Jillson	2,000 00	
John Wilson Smith	1,000 00	
William G. Weld	1,000 00	
Charles C. Hoskins	1,000 00	
Charles H. Atwood	1,000 00	
William H. Potter	3,000 00	
Transfer from general account	1,957 14	
Interest at bank	3 99	
	<hr/>	\$37,961 13
For Publication Fund:		
Ira B. Peck	\$1,000 00	
William Gammell	1,000 00	
Albert J. Jones	1,000 00	
Julia Bullock	500 00	
Charles H. Smith	100 00	
William Ely	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	4,600 00
For Life Membership Fund:		
Previous account		3,643 76
For New Membership Fund:		
Previous account	\$770 00	
9 new members	45 00	
	<hr/>	815 00
For Parsons Improvement Fund		5,793 91
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		\$52,813 80

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Legacy Account Investments :

6 bonds Minneapolis St. Ry. Co. . . .	\$5,850 00	
30 shares Merchants National Bank . . .	1,800 00	
45 shares Blackstone Canal National Bank	1,050 00	
110 shares New York Central R. R. Co. . .	10,775 00	
42 shares Providence Gas Co.	4,105 50	
30 shares Lehigh Valley R. R. Co.	2,112 50	
10 shares Penn. R. R. Co.	664 38	
14 shares Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.	2,003 75	\$28,361 13

Mortgage Notes :

P. A. & H. A. Cory	3,350 00	
Michael F. Judge	950 00	
William Watson	1,100 00	
Harry Fuller	4,200 00	9,600 00
	<hr/>	\$37,961 13

Publication Fund :

Participation account, Rhode Island Hos- pital Trust Co.		4,600 00
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Life Membership Fund :

Mechanics Branch, Industrial Trust Co. . .	\$2,202 86	
Providence Institution for Savings	1,440 90	
	<hr/>	3,643 76

New Membership Fund		815 00
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Parsons Improvement Fund :	5,793 91	
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\$52,813 80

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON,
SAMUEL H. WEBB.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The library committee are again obliged to report a change in the staff of the Society's library during the past year. Mr. William A. Wing of New Bedford resigned the position of librarian on January 11, 1910. His resignation was accepted at a special meeting of the committee held on January 14, and February 1, Mr. Wing concluded his services as librarian. Dr. Frank Greene Bates, a member of this Society since 1899, and at the time of his election assistant professor of history and political science at the University of Kansas, was elected librarian at a meeting of the executive committee on June 9, and he assumed the duties of this position on September 1. The library happenings since that date have been mentioned in his report. During the interval between the end of Mr. Wing's incumbency and the arrival of Mr. Bates, the library and cabinet were under the charge of the assistant librarian, Miss Claire Bliven. Miss Bliven had previously been in practical charge during a large part of the preceding year, when Mr. Wing's other engagements prevented him from giving more than a fraction of his time to the work of this Society.

The most important event of the earlier part of the year was the purchase, brought about early in February, through the highly appreciated efforts of Mr. Clarence S. Brigham, of the remainder of a mass of Rhode Island material collected by the late Albert Waterman Brown. No one who did not see this "A. W. Brown Collection," as it has come to be known, in the early days of its arrival at the building can fully comprehend what it was. The mass of Rhode Island material of every description, several tons in weight, completely filled from floor to ceiling one large room in the cellar, and may be

roughly estimated as containing not less than 1200 cubic feet of Rhode Island history. All of the material in this collection has been sorted; the greater part of it has been compared with the collections of the Society and put upon the shelves, or put aside as duplicate material. By this means the files of reports of Rhode Island churches, schools, and charitable institutions, tax books, state reports, books printed in Rhode Island and works by Rhode Island authors, have been greatly augmented.

It has come to the notice of the committee during the past year that a very lively interest is being aroused in Rhode Island history among those whom one might call historical laymen, who have hitherto not stopped to realize that Rhode Island had a history. The library committee feel that in any movement concerning Rhode Island history the Society's library ought to be the place to which everyone should naturally turn. Accordingly, especial effort has been made to render the visits of school children to the library profitable, and to assist in any effort to obtain Rhode Island historical knowledge or Rhode Island printed material. In accordance with the latter purpose, the members of the library staff have assisted the smaller public libraries to obtain Rhode Island books, supplying them at a moderate price from the Society's duplicates, or ordering them for the libraries from second-hand dealers as they came upon the market. This is one small but important way in which the public can be led to look to this Society for guidance in the field of Rhode Island history.

The mention of a large part of the work upon which the library staff has been engaged will be more properly included in the reports of other committees; thus, three numbers of the Society's Proceedings were prepared at the library during the spring, and a handbook of the Society has been prepared for the special committee on membership.

In spite of the fact that the funds at the disposal of the library committee have been somewhat curtailed by the publication of the arrears of Proceedings and by the much needed

improvements in the reading room by the building committee, the library has had a normal growth, and the committee is able to report a total of 4032 accessions.

G. P. WINSHIP,

For the Library Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.

The committee on grounds and buildings present the following report for the year 1910.

The roof and the outside woodwork of the building, the main room and several small rooms have been painted.

The grounds have been taken care of as usual, and some small repairs have been made.

No new work has been undertaken except some necessary shelving in the basement.

The expenditures have been :

Painting	\$238 00
Repairing front steps	28 50
Stock for basement shelves	10 88
Hose	17 20
New cellar window	5 00
Paint for radiators	1 75
Care of grounds	52 00
	\$353 33

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN M. ISHAM,
EDWIN A. BURLINGAME,
Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

NECROLOGY.

JOHN WILMARTH ANGELL.

John Wilmarth Angell died in Providence, July 23, 1910. He was born in Providence, March 10, 1832, the son of Daniel Angell and Mary Wilmarth Angell. The family was an old Smithfield family. Mr. Angell was married to Elizabeth H. Stillwell, who died some years before his death. They had three daughters, two of whom still survive, Clara M. Angell and Annie S. Angell. The other daughter became the wife of Prof. Alfred W. Anthony, who for many years was Professor in the Theological Department of Bates College in Lewiston, Me. Two children were born of this marriage, Lisa Angell Anthony and Wyatt Anthony.

For nearly fifty years Mr. Angell was engaged in the banking business. Beginning in some minor position, he became cashier at the early age of twenty-five. He was connected with the Limerock Bank during the entire period of its existence. He took an active part in public affairs, and for many years served efficiently as a member of the Common Council. He also served for a time as a commissioner of the North Burial Ground. He was a very devoted member of the Grace Episcopal Church, and deeply interested in everything that pertained to its prosperity and the progress of the Episcopal communion. He made many friends in business and political, as well as ecclesiastical, circles, and inspired the confidence of his fellow-citizens in the integrity of his character and the genuineness of his service. He found relaxation and enjoyment in music and in books. He joined this Society in 1897.

FREDERICK ARNOLD BARKER.

Frederick Arnold Barker, the son of Cyrus and Ann Lockwood Barker, was born in Providence, September 18, 1827. He was educated in the private school of Thomas C. Hartsorn, and in 1841 entered the hardware business in the employ of the firm of Barker, Whitaker & Co. In 1852 he became a member of the same firm, which had become Brown & Barker, and which later became Barker, Chadsey & Co. In 1860 he became a resident of Pawtucket. He was the president of the first board of aldermen of that city, and was for thirty-five years a vestryman of St. Paul's Church. In 1851 he married Lucinda Elizabeth Lewis. Three children survive him, Robert Lewis, Frederick Eugene and Agnes Frieze, the wife of Frederick W. Easton.

CHARLES WILLIAM BOWEN.

Charles William Bowen, the son of Haile and Betsey Johannot Bowen, was born in Warren, R. I., June 18, 1836. He was the eighth in descent from Richard Bowen. His education in the public schools of Warren was supplemented by home instruction by his father and mother. In 1856 he entered the employ of the dry goods house of L. D. Anthony in Providence, and later was taken into the partnership. He retired from this firm in 1878 and engaged in the cotton goods business with great success.

For many years he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Home for Aged Men.

He married January 3, 1861, Mary Thomas Richardson, only daughter of George Richardson of Providence. She survives him with two daughters, Florence Haile Brownell, wife of Francis E. Brownell of Atlanta, Georgia, and Leila Pearson Bowen. He died in Providence, April 9, 1910.

CHARLES RAY BRAYTON.

Charles R. Brayton died at the Jane Brown Hospital in Providence on September 23, 1910, aged 70 years. For the

past thirty-five years he had been the principal leader of the Republican party in Rhode Island. Mr. Brayton was the descendant of a family prominent in the history of the state, his grandfather, Hon. Charles Brayton, being a Justice of the Supreme Court; his father, William Daniel Brayton, serving as a member of Congress from Rhode Island, 1859-61; while his uncle, George Arnold Brayton, became Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court in 1868. Mr. Brayton was born at Apponaug, R. I., August 16, 1840, and was the eldest son of Hon. William D. and Anna Ward (Clarke) Brayton. He prepared for college at the East Greenwich Academy and later attended the Fruit Hill Classical Institute in North Providence. He entered Brown University with the class of 1863, but at the close of his second year left college to volunteer for the Civil War. He recruited a company for the third regiment, Rhode Island Volunteers, and was appointed a lieutenant of this regiment. After serving in many capacities during the war he was finally mustered out of service in 1865 with the title of Brevet Brigadier General of Volunteers. After the war he served as Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue for the Second Rhode Island District for a time, but in the latter part of 1865 was appointed Postmaster of Port Royal, S. C., and served until 1867. In 1869 he returned to Providence as Acting Collector of Internal Revenue. In 1870 he was appointed Deputy Town Clerk and Trial Justice of Warwick, and in the same year received the appointment of Pension Agent for Rhode Island from General Grant, and served in this capacity until 1874, when he was made Postmaster of Providence. In 1880 he resigned the office and since that time had devoted himself entirely to politics and to the practice of law. He was admitted to the bar in 1891. He had been a member of the State Central Committee since 1876 and a member of the National Republican Committee since 1896. General Brayton was prominent in Masonic circles and was a Past Commander and Past Department Commander of Prescott Post, No. 1, G. A. R. He was a member of the Brunonian chapter, Alpha Delta Phi, and a member of the Alpha Delta

Phi Club in New York ; the Society of Colonial Wars ; Companion of the Loyal Legion and many other societies and clubs. He married, March 13, 1865, Miss Antoinette Percival Belden, who, with one son, William S. Brayton of Montclair, N. J., survives him.—(From the Brown Alumni Monthly, October, 1910.)

LUCRETIA GIFFORD CHACE.

Lucretia Gifford Chace was born in New Bedford, June 7, 1831. She was the daughter of William T. and Rhoda Tucker Gifford of New Bedford, and resided there until her marriage to James Henry Chace of Valley Falls, R. I., November 7, 1861. She was educated at the Friends School, Providence. After her marriage she resided in Valley Falls until 1888, moving to Providence in that year, where she lived at 112 Keene Street until her death, November 19, 1910.

She was a charter member of the Rhode Island Society for the Collegiate Education of Women, a director of the Young Women's Christian Association, a member of the Society of Colonial Dames, a benefactor of many charitable associations, and a life long member of the Society of Friends.

RICHMOND PEARL EVERETT.

At the annual meeting of this Society in January, 1867, Richmond Pearl Everett was elected its treasurer, being at that time forty-one years of age. He succeeded in this office John Howland, his grandfather, John R. Bartlett, Thomas Wilson Dorr and Welcome A. Greene. For thirty-five years Mr. Everett was the faithful custodian of this Society's funds, the watchful guardian of the treasury. But he was more than treasurer those thirty-five years, he was the incarnate spirit of the place, and his visits were almost daily and not brief.

His official connection with this Society seemed to round out the scope of his ambition and to be the princely meed for his long time efforts. If perchance anyone had asked you, "Who is Richmond P. Everett?" you would have undoubtedly

replied, "He is Treasurer of the Rhode Island Historical Society." He seemed to belong to this Society as one of its assets necessary to make up its real balance sheet. His interests were local. With the exception of a trip in 1860 around Cape Horn to California, and a few weeks in the West, his long span of eighty-three years was passed in these plantations. He was at one time a clerk for Seth Adams, was in the grocery business with Edward Pierce, later he took orders for coal; but the hurry and greed of these latter generations never caught him up into their whirlwind career. He was content with his daily routine; he loved his walks into the beautiful country encircling this city of his nativity, and his visits to spots of historic fame; he enjoyed the meetings of the old-time societies of which he was a member, the Franklin Lyceum, Mechanic Association, Franklin Society, Society for the Encouragement of Domestic Industry, and What Cheer Lodge of Masons.

The monotony of life was punctuated with chat and harmless gossip on local happenings. Unmarried and free from responsibility, he was content to steer his lonely bark through the safe waters of the well-known and the commonplace, and to rest in the achievements of his ancestors of which he was very proud. His father was Amherst Everett, cotton merchant of the firm of Humphrey & Everett, engaged in domestic and foreign commerce, the latter said to be with the West Indies and China; he was Councilman for eight years and Alderman for two years. His grandfather was John Howland, one of the organizers of the public school system of Providence, and of the Providence Institution for Savings, and the second president of the Rhode Island Historical Society, whose valuable diary was published in 1857 by Rev. E. M. Stone from the MSS. in Mr. Everett's possession.

Mr. Everett was in the seventh generation from Richard Everett, who came from Dedham, England, about 1634-1635 and settled in Dedham, Mass., in 1636. Mr. Everett was also in the seventh generation from John Howland, who came over in the Mayflower, through his mother, Penelope Howland.

From the family Bible it would appear that Mr. Everett had a brother and sister who died in infancy; he also had two brothers, John Howland Everett and Edward A. Everett, both of whom went to California in 1849 and died there; and a sister who married Judge John P. Knowles.

Richmond P. Everett was born September 6, 1826, and died March 9, 1910, in his eighty-fourth year.

ROBERT HALL.

Robert Hall, a successful practitioner of medicine in Providence, died there, December 12, 1910. He was born in West Greenwich, R. I., May 18, 1830, the son of Robert and Zilpha Weaver Hall.

His education in the district school of his native town was supplemented by periods of schooling at Worcester and East Greenwich Academies. He began his medical education under Dr. George D. Wilcox in Providence, and completed it at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and the University of Vienna.

He began practice in 1857 at Centreville, R. I., and remained there until 1871, removing then to Providence, where he continued in practice until his death. August 20, 1861, he married Susan Wood Randall, daughter of Stephen and Adeline Randall of Warwick, R. I., who died before him, leaving no children.

He was a member of several leading medical societies, including the Rhode Island Homeopathic Society. He was chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Mathewson Street Methodist Church.

CHARLES WYMAN HOPKINS.

Charles Wyman Hopkins was born in Exeter, R. I., August 8, 1839, and died in Providence, June 14, 1910. He was the son of Pardon Hopkins, for many years prominent in the town affairs of West Greenwich. His mother was Lydia Ann Lilli-

bridge. He was educated in the common schools and at the East Greenwich Academy. For several years he taught in the public schools, and at the outbreak of the Civil War enlisted in the Seventh Rhode Island regiment and served to the end of the war. At the close of the war he engaged in the grocery business at Noose Neck, R. I., and held various town offices. In 1874 Mr. Hopkins entered the employ of the Providence Gas Company, where he remained until his death. He was deeply interested in historical and genealogical matters. He wrote the "Home Lots of the Early Settlers of the Providence Plantations," and rendered distinct service to the cause of local history by his work in rescuing and preserving historical materials which otherwise would have been lost. As a genealogist he was widely known and had collected a large amount of genealogical data concerning a considerable number of families. At the time of his death he had ready for publication a genealogy of the Hopkins family.

Mr. Hopkins was a past commander of Rodman Post, G. A. R., and a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. His religious affiliations were with the Cranston Street Baptist Church.

He married on May 1, 1860, Jane Frances Knight of Exeter. He is survived by a daughter, Anne Miller, wife of Dr. George S. Mathews of Providence.

JAMES SMITH HUDSON.

James Smith Hudson was born in Providence, December 5, 1833, and died there April 15, 1910. He was the son of William H. and Harriet Fitts Hudson. Educated in the public schools of Providence, he entered the employ of the firm of Manchester & Hopkins, which subsequently became Manchester & Hudson. He enlisted in 1861 in the First Rhode regiment and re-enlisted in 1862. He was placed on recruiting service and subsequently saw service in the field as First Lieutenant in the Eleventh Rhode Island Regiment. He was a member of Slocum Post and was Department Com-

mander of the Rhode Island G. A. R. He was a deacon of the Friendship Street Baptist Church. He married Almy Warren Ladd. They had one daughter, Harriet Fitts, the wife of Edwin D. Allen of Providence.

MARY ALICE KEACH.

Mary Alice Keach was born in Providence, June 15, 1854. She was the daughter of William Walker Keach and Mary Tibbitts (Greene) Keach. The families were old Rhode Island families. She was educated in the public schools of the city. She became a member of the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1899. She was also a life member of the New England Historic-Genealogical Society. She prepared a manuscript copy of the inscriptions in the St. John's Church Cemetery in this city, which she deposited with the New England Historic-Genealogical Society. She died in Providence, July 15, 1910.

GERTRUDE SELWYN KIMBALL.

Gertrude Selwyn Kimball became a member of this Society in 1900. She was born in Blackstone, Mass., and was the daughter of Henry Clay Kimball and Elizabeth Farnum Kimball. Mr. Kimball was for many years, until his removal to Providence, the agent for the Blackstone Manufacturing Company. Miss Kimball was a special student in Brown University 1894-96, 1897-98 and 1899-1900, giving attention especially to History and Political Economy. She was also a student in History at Oxford for a part of a year. Under Prof. J. Franklin Jameson, then professor in Brown University, she took a thorough course of study in American History, making herself especially familiar with the period of the 17th and 18th centuries; and under the direction of Prof. Jameson, whose private secretary she became, she undertook research work along special lines, which showed admirable patience and accuracy and historic fitness. The results of her investiga-

tions appeared in several published volumes. Her first publication, issued before she had completed her University courses, was entitled, "The East India Trade of Providence, 1787-1807." In 1900 there appeared from the press of Preston, Rounds & Co. her second volume, "Pictures of Rhode Island in the Past, 1642-1833." Three years later she edited for the Rhode Island Society of Colonial Dames, "The Correspondence of the Colonial Governors of Rhode Island, 1723-1775," in 2 vols., published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co. In 1906 she prepared and edited for the National Society of Colonial Dames, "The Correspondence of William Pitt, while Secretary of State, with the Colonial Governors." This was also in two volumes, and was perhaps her most valuable work. Subsequently she prepared for the American Antiquarian Society a list of printed English documents pertaining to America, numbering nearly 15,000 titles. She also rendered important service in indexing the first Report of the Public Archives Commission.

In February, 1909, she read a very interesting paper before this Society on "Some Providence Sea Captains of the Early 18th Century." This was a chapter of a new volume which she was preparing on early Rhode Island History. Some eight or ten chapters of the contemplated twelve were completed. But she was not spared to carry out her full design. In the midst of Miss Kimball's usefulness and her great activity as student and author, having already accomplished much, but with large expectations yet unrealized, she died June 26, 1910, after a very brief illness, at the age of forty-eight years.

For a number of years Miss Kimball occupied the position of instructor in History in the private school of Miss Wheeler in this city. One who knew her well, and was competent to judge her ability and work, wrote in a published notice of her death an appreciation in substantially the following words: "She possessed in rare measure the qualities of an historical investigator. Her knowledge of American History was wide and accurate, especially in the Colonial period. She was

accurate, painstaking and intelligent in her work. Her intense love of literature and her keen sense of literary form gave attractiveness and readableness to all she wrote."

GEORGE FARQUHAR JONES KING.

Dr. George Farquhar Jones King, the son of Charles G. King and Frances E. (Jones) King, was born in Providence, May 15, 1867, and died there April 12, 1910. He was a graduate of Brown University in the class of 1889. He was a student in the Harvard Law School in 1893 and 1894. In 1894 he entered the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated in 1898. He entered upon the practice of medicine in Providence with Dr. John W. Mitchell, remaining associated with him until his death. On August 1, 1903, he married Maria Strakosh, and is survived by his widow and two children, Frances Nelson King and George F. J. King. He was a member of the Rhode Island Medical Society and of the Providence Medical Association.

HENRY WARREN RUGG.

Henry Warren Rugg, D. D., will be remembered as an eloquent preacher of the Universalist faith, a lifelong friend of education, a public-spirited citizen, and a devoted Mason on whom were conferred the highest honors of the Fraternity, local and national. He was born in Framingham, Mass., September 3, 1833. He received a limited education at the Mt. Hollis Seminary in Holliston, Mass. He was a school teacher at the age of nineteen, and an ordained minister at twenty-one. He was pastor in South Dennis, Mass., for several years, preaching and teaching at the same time. He was settled subsequently in East Cambridge, Mass., and in Bath, Me. Ill health compelling him to seek a warmer climate, he was chief clerk in the Finance Bureau of the Post Office Department in Washington for five years. In 1866, with restored health, he accepted the call to the pastorate of the Second Universalist Church in Providence. The church

prospered greatly under his ministry, erected a new house of worship, and changed its name to "The Church of the Mediator." After a service of eleven years, he became pastor of a church in Halifax, Nova Scotia, for a single year, and then returned by request to his Providence parish, where he completed his ministerial service.

He filled the offices of president and secretary of the Rhode Island Universalist Convention for thirty-two years, and also served as trustee and president of the General Convention of Universalists. He was elected a trustee of Tufts College in 1878, and received from it the degree of Doctor of Divinity the same year. He was the secretary of the Board of Trustees from 1899 to the time of his death. While residing in Providence he was a member of the school committee for more than twenty years, and rendered self-denying and most efficient service. He was the chairman of the committee for several years. He joined the Rhode Island Historical Society in 1890. He was the author of several publications, among them "The Lives of the Presidents," and "New England Contributions to American Greatness." For many years he was the Editor of "The Free Mason Repository." He was always a conspicuous figure on Masonic occasions, being frequently called upon to make addresses upon its prominent leaders or the principles of the Order. He united with the Fraternity in 1854, and held many offices. He became Grand Master of Masons in Rhode Island, and at the time of his death was Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, having been elected in 1907. He died in Providence July 21, 1910.

Dr. Rugg married Miss Abby Nelson Howard at Milford, Mass., December 25, 1853. Mrs. Rugg and one daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Rugg Field, survive him.

ELIZABETH ANNE GODDARD SHEPARD.

Elizabeth Anne Goddard Shepard, daughter of William Giles Goddard and Charlotte Rhoda (Ives) Goddard, was born

in Providence, November 24, 1829, and died in Newport, September 11, 1910.

June 17, 1856, she married Thomas Perkins Shepard of Providence, a graduate of Brown University in the class of 1836, who died in 1877.

HUNTER CARSON WHITE.

Hunter Carson White was born in Zanesville, Ohio, December 18, 1853, of old Rhode Island stock on both sides, being descended from the families of Perry, Lewis, Hoxsie and Harris. His father removed to Tennessee in 1859, and was killed there by guerillas in 1864. The family then returned to Rhode Island. The subject of our sketch was educated in the public schools of Providence and in the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. He resigned from the navy in 1874 and engaged in the book business in Providence. In 1883 he became manager of the Providence Cotton Lining Company. In 1891 he was elected sheriff of Providence County. He was long identified with military affairs in this state. He was lieutenant in the United Train of Artillery, Assistant Adjutant General and afterwards Adjutant General with the rank of Brigadier General of the State Militia. He was a member of the school committee of Providence from 1883 to 1902. He was active in political affairs for many years and was a prominent Mason. He was a member of the Hope, Squantum, Pomham and other social clubs, of the Society of Mayflower Descendants, the Rhode Island Society of Colonial Wars, the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. He married, December 11, 1877, Caroline H. Kilton, daughter of Nahum Kilton of this city. She survives him with one son, Hunter C. White, Jr. He died August 26, 1910.

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1880.	James Grant Wilson,
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1893.	Clarence Winthrop Bowen,
1893.	Alfred Manchester,
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 1908. Anthony, Albert Lee
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 1901. Baker, Albert Allison
 1901. Baker, Esther Hinckley
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 1899. Bates, Frank Greene
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 1903. Drowne, Frederick Eugene
 1897. Dubois, Edward Church
 1894. *Duncan, William Butler
 1875. Dunnell, William Wanton

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1908. Dyer, Sarah Elizabeth
 1906. Easton, Frederick Willard
 1872. *Eaton, Amasa Mason
 1905. Eddy, William Joseph
 1904. Edwards, Stephen Ostrom
 1876. *Ely, William
 1908. Emerson, Frank Wells
 1911. Emerson, Annie Swan Pierce
 1907. Estes, William Wood
 1892. Farnsworth, John Prescott
 1900. Faunce, William H. P.
 1908. Feeley, William J.
 1901. Fenner, Herbert Nicholas
 1890. Fiske, George McClellan
 1893. Flint, Susan Amelia
 1903. Folsom, Herbert Arthur
 1904. Ford, William Henry
 1906. Foster, Charles Samuel
 1905. Foster, Joseph Henry
 1900. Foster, Theodore W.
 1881. Foster, William Eaton
 1903. *Freeman, James Francis
 1906. Freeman, John Ripley
 1897. Freeman, Joseph Wood
 1875. Gammell, Robert Ives
 1884. *Gammell, William
 1889. Gardner, Henry Brayton
 1889. Gardner, Rathbone
 1894. Goddard, Elizabeth Cass
 1880. Goddard, Robert Hale Ives
 1883. Goodwin, Daniel
 1907. Gorton, Adelos
 1903. Gorton, George Olney
 1894. Gottschalk, Mary H. B. von
 1893. Granger, William Smith
 1891. Grant, Henry Tyler
 1897. *Green, Theodore Francis
 1893. Greene, Charles William
 1893. Greene, Edward Aborn
 1906. Greene, William Chace
 1877. Greene, William Maxwell
 1899. Griffin, Thomas Jefferson
 1900. Guild, Georgiana

ELECTED.

1901. Harris, Robert
 1904. Harrison, George Arnold
 1895. Harrison, Joseph LeRoy
 1889. Hart, George Thomas
 1907. Hart, William Octave
 1901. Hayes, Frederic
 1894. *Hazard, Caroline
 1888. Hazard, Rowland Gibson
 1903. Hazard, Samuel Anthony
 1881. Hersey, George Dallas
 1901. Hodgman, William Lansing
 1907. Holden, George James
 1908. Hoopes, Wilford Lawrence
 1897. Hoppin, William Anthony
 1901. Horton, Leonard Wheaton
 1910. Howard, Elisha Harris
 1891. Howe, Marc Antony De-
 Wolf
 1898. Hoxie, Frederick Jerome
 1882. Hoyt, David Webster
 1911. Hubbard, Charles Augustus
 1901. Humphrey, George
 1901. Hunt, Horatio Allen
 1896. Isham, Norman Morrison
 1906. Jackson, Benjamin Mann
 1882. Jackson, William Francis
 Bennett
 1898. Jenckes, John
 1897. Jepherson, George Arthur
 1900. Jillson, Francello George
 1901. Kelley, Arthur Livingston
 1880. Kenyon, James Stanton
 1902. Kimball, Charles Dean
 1892. Kimball, Horace Arnold
 1902. Kimball, Sarah Dexter
 1910. King, Eugene Pride
 1885. *King, George Gordon
 1892. King, Henry Melville
 1884. King, William Dehon
 1897. Knight, Amelia Sumner
 1879. Knight, Edward Balch
 1905. Knox, Horatio Bickford
 1894. Koopman, Harry Lyman

ELECTED.

1910. Lapham, Emory Delos
 1901. Lawton, George Robert
 1901. Lee, Thomas Zanslaur
 1890. Leete, George Farmer
 1898. Leonard, Charles Henry
 1892. Lincoln, Ferdinand August-
 ine
 1878. Lippitt, Charles Warren
 1898. Littlefield, Nathan Whit-
 man
 1891. Lord, Augustus Mendon
 1910. Luther, Frederick Newton
 1901. Lyman, Richard E.
 1901. MacDonald, William
 1907. Maine, Herbert Ephraim
 1892. Mason, A. Livingston
 1877. Mason, Eugene Waterman
 1896. Mason, Fletcher Stone
 1877. Mason, John Hale
 1895. McCabe, Anthony
 1883. Meader, Lewis Hamilton
 1901. Metcalf, Harold
 1903. *Metcalf, Louisa Dexter
 1901. Mowry, Wendell Axtell
 1911. Mulchahey, Edward Irving
 1906. Mumford, Charles Carney
 1906. Munro, Arthur Earle
 1901. Munro, Walter Lee
 1881. Munro, Wilfred Harold
 1910. Munroe, Addison Pierce
 1894. Nicholson, Samuel Mowry
 1874. Nightingale, Geo. Corlis
 1897. Nightingale, Geo. Corlis, Jr.
 1894. *Noyes, Charles Phelps
 1897. Noyes, Robert Fanning
 1897. Olney, George Henry
 1909. Paddock, Miner Hamlin
 1885. Page, Charles Harris
 1906. Paige, Henry
 1910. Peck, Elizabeth Andrews
 1910. Peck, Stephen I.
 1899. Peckham, William Mackey
 1903. Peirce, Augustus Richmond

ELECTED.

1910. Peirce, Thomas Arnold
 1905. Perry, Charles Manchester
 1907. Philbrick, Charles Horace
 1899. Poland, William Carey
 1878. Porter, Emory Huntington
 1901. Potter, Dexter Burton
 1887. Preston, Howard Willis
 1906. Ranger, Walter Eugene
 1906. Rathbun, Elmer Jeremiah
 1902. Rawson, Thomas Brownell
 1906. Reynolds, Walter Nichols
 1907. Rhode Island State College
 1896. Rhodes, Christopher
 1900. Rhodes, William Conrad
 1877. Richmond, Walter
 1898. Rickard, Abbie Smith Weld
 1891. Ripley, James Morrison
 1898. Rivers, Mary
 1910. Rockwell, Charles Bristed
 1895. *Rodman, Robert
 1881. Roelker, William Greene
 1888. Rogers, Arthur
 1899. Sears, Adeline Harris
 1907. Sharpe, Henry Dexter
 1902. Sharpe, Lucian
 1908. Shaw, Emma Buzzell
 1874. Shedd, Joel Herbert
 1881. Sheffield, William Paine, Jr.
 1885. Sheldon, Nicholas
 1879. Shepley, George Leander
 1899. *Sherman, William Watts
 1906. Sisson, Charles
 1897. Slade, Susan Elizabeth
 1900. Slater, James S.
 1902. Smith, Charles Morris
 1907. Smith, Charles Warren
 1875. Smith, Edwin Augustus
 1901. Smith, Nathaniel Waite
 1907. Smith, Robert Morton
 1897. Smith, Walter Burges
 1881. Spooner, Henry Joshua
 1888. Stark, Charles Rathbone
 1906. Stearns, Walter Henry

ELECTED.

1908. Stillman, Elisha Coggeshall
 1878. Stiness, John Henry
 1899. Stockwell, George Appleton
 1901. Studley, J. Edward
 1886. Sturges, Howard Okie
 1907. Sullivan, James Edmund
 1903. Sumner, Arthur Preston
 1908. Swan, Frank Herbert
 1873. *Swan, Jarvis Bowen
 1894. Swarts, Gardner Taber
 1902. Sweetland, William Howard
 1856. Taft, Royal Chapin
 1901. Taft, Royal Chapin, Jr.
 1908. Thayer, Gertrude Lucretia
 1881. Thomas, Charles Lloyd
 1901. Thornley, William Henry
 1890. Thornton, George Mumford
 1889. Tillinghast, James
 1898. Tillinghast, William Richmond
 1907. Tingley, Samuel Herbert
 1901. Tingley, Rowena P. B.
 1890. Tower, James Henry
 1908. Tufts, Susan Cotton
 1885. Updike, Daniel Berkeley
 1896. Vincent, Walter Borodell
 1903. Warner, Clarence MacDon-
 ald
 1906. Warren, Charles Henry
 1901. Warren, Joseph Draper
 1901. Waterman, Lewis Anthony
 1906. Watson, Arthur Hamilton
 1906. Watson, Byron Sprague
 1901. Watson, John Jay, Jr.
 1890. Webb, Samuel Herbert
 1868. Weeden, William Babcock
 1887. Welling, Richard Ward
 Greene
 1894. Weston, George Franklin
 1885. *Wetmore, George Peabody
 1896. White, Willis H.
 1903. Whitehouse, John Senior
 1892. *Wilbour, Linda Olney

ELECTED.

1903. Wilbour, Victor
1900. Wilkinson, Anna Reed
1907. Williams, William Fred-
erick
1901. Wilson, Alfred
1888. Wilson, George Grafton

ELECTED.

1909. Wing, William Arthur
1895. Winship, George Parker
1897. Woods, John Carter Brown
1907. Woodward, Elbert Warren
1909. Young, Charles Mason

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PROCEEDINGS

APRIL, 1911, TO JANUARY, 1913

QUARTERLY MEETING, APRIL 4, 1911

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Librarian and Cabinet-keeper was read and approved and ordered placed on file.

The following persons were elected to membership: Abby Greene Harris Ames, Edward Kimball Aldrich, Jr., John Lincoln Alger, Frederick William Aldred, Francis Otis Allen, William Armour, Christopher Bentley Arnold, Josephine Angier Binney, William Binney, Jr., Walter Hammond Barney, Nathan Bowen Barton, Chester Willard Barrows, Robert Livingston Beeckman, Samuel Willard Bridgham, Jr., Alice Francis Brown, Frank Hail Brown, Edward Carrington Bucklin, Harris Howard Bucklin, Gonzalo Edward Buxton, Frederick Dickman Carr, Martha Warren Case, Norman Stanley Case, Hannah Angell Coggeshall, Andrew Burroughs Comstock, Walter Jay Comstock, Frank Hill Cranston, Charles Joseph Davol, Michael F. Dooley, Sarah E. Doyle, Frederic Henry Fuller, Alice Collins Gleeson, Gertrude Gooding, Livingston Ham, Jeffrey Hazard, Thomas George Hazard, Jr., Henry Irving King, George H. Lewis, Joseph West Lewis, Henry Frederick Lippitt, Margaret Barbara Farnum Lippitt, Arthur B. Lisle, Charles Winsor Littlefield, Frederick Roy Martin, Jesse H. Metcalf, James Marvin Motley, Lyra Brown Nickerson, Ambrose Packard, Joseph Leishman Peacock, Ella Richmond Matteson Phillips, Emma Hepburn Richmond,

Louis E. Richmond, Henry Gilbert Thresher, Ashbel Tingley Wall.

The Librarian made an oral report upon the subject of the acquisition by the Society of the desk now in the Cabinet formerly belonging to Ebenezer Knight Dexter; also on behalf of the Committee appointed to increase the membership of the Society, and the consequent election of fifty-three new members at to-night's meeting.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JULY 14, 1911

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper reported orally on the work done and the gifts and additions made during the quarter.

The following persons were elected to membership: Benjamin B. Adams, John Dearborn, Mary Stanton Kenyon, Thomas F. I. McDonnell, Frank Willington Matteson, George Andrews Moriarty, Jr., George H. Newhall, Eliza G. Radeke, Ralph Collingwood Watrous, Elizabeth Kenyon Wilkinson.

The following persons were also declared to be duly elected as members last year, entry thereof on the records of the Society having been inadvertently omitted: Eva St. Clair Brightman, Emory Delos Lapham, Stephen I. Peck, Louis D. Richardson.

The President reported for the Lecture Committee as to three lectures arranged to be delivered during the coming winter.

QUARTERLY MEETING, OCTOBER 3, 1911

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper read his report and it was received and ordered to be placed on file.

Leonard N. Austin was elected to membership.

Professor MacDonald on behalf of the Publication Committee reported orally as to the forthcoming volume of the Bernon papers to be published by the Society.

The President called the attention of the Society to a list, recently found, of the students attending the school kept by Dr. David March in Norton, Mass., in 1809-10. He pointed out the evidence thus furnished of the exclusive English ancestry of the forty-four boys and twenty-eight girls then at that school, and he spoke of the later history of some of these, and their influence upon the development of their country.

NINETIETH ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 9, 1912

The President, Wilfred H. Munro, in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper was read and ordered placed on file.

The following persons were elected to membership: Albert Babcock, Daniel Beckwith, Henry Blacklock, Howard Millar Chapin, Ward Beecher Chase, Gilbert Chinard, Theodore Frelinghuysen Collier, Edith Edwards, Herbert Ambrose Rice, Sarah Abigail Woodward.

The President read his annual address, entitled, "Will the English Influence Persist in the Foreign Born Communities?" and it was ordered placed on file.

The Treasurer read his annual report, and it was ordered placed on file.

The report of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings was read and was ordered placed on file.

The report of the Library Committee was read and was ordered placed on file.

The report of the Publication Committee was made orally through the Chairman, William MacDonald, reporting progress made in the preparation for publication of the Bernon papers.

President Munro reported orally for the Lecture Committee as to the lectures to be given this winter.

The Committee appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year presented the list of nominees to be found on page 5 of this number of the Proceedings.

Wilfred H. Munro was unanimously elected President for the year, 1912-13.

The other officers and members of committees were duly elected.

On motion of Rev. Samuel H. Webb, it was

Resolved, That, for the current year, the President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and the Chairmen of the several standing committees shall constitute an Executive Committee, at whose meetings the President shall preside. This Committee shall exercise a general super-

vision on behalf of the Society in all matters not directly referred to the President or to a standing or special committee. Any four members of this Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally, and a notice for a meeting of the Society shall be deemed a notice for a meeting of this Committee.

On motion of William C. Greene, it was voted that the Executive Committee be instructed to consider and report to the Society at its next quarterly meeting some plan for increasing the funds of the Society.

On motion of William MacDonald, it was voted that the Secretary be requested to send notices to members of their election as officers or as members of the Society.

William MacDonald gave notice that at the next quarterly meeting he should move to amend section 14 of the by-laws by adding the following words: "and shall in writing notify members of their election to membership, and officers of their election to office."

QUARTERLY MEETING, APRIL 2, 1912

The President in the chair.

After some remarks by the President on the loss to the Society and to the community by the deaths of Rev. Samuel H. Webb and William B. Weeden, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper was read by Mr. Winship.

The following persons were elected to membership: Imogen Carr, Philip Allen, Mary Howard Balch, Horace Greeley Belcher, Gideon Albert Burgess, Mary Eaton Conant, Mary E. H. Cranston, Louise Diman, Edith Goddard, Harold J.

Gross, Grace Fisher Leonard, Mary R. B. Peck, Sarah Gould Peck, James DeWolf Perry.

The President reported on behalf of the Executive Committee that it was deemed inadvisable to attempt to raise funds for the Society at the present time.

Charles Sisson was elected to fill the vacancy upon the General Greene Memorial Association caused by the death of Judge Blodgett.

QUARTERLY MEETING, JULY 2, 1912

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Librarian gave an informal oral report, mentioning certain gifts, and noting the Society's loss by death of Horatio B. Knox, Dr. Noyes, Royal C. Taft and William Butler Duncan.

Clarence Irving Brown and Stephen Minot Pitman were elected to membership.

The President was appointed a delegate to represent the Society at the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the American Antiquarian Society at Worcester.

QUARTERLY MEETING, OCTOBER 1, 1912

The President in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper made a brief oral report.

Anna Augusta Chapin and Paul Coe Nicholson were elected to membership.

Mr. Winship reported orally for the Library Committee.

The Treasurer spoke briefly upon the improved condition of the Society's treasury.

The President explained the plan proposed of holding afternoon social meetings of the Society as an experiment.

It was resolved to authorize the Executive Committee to direct that the quarterly meeting in April next be held at 4.30 P. M.

Mr. Robert P. Brown gave notice of an amendment to the constitution that he offered, as follows :

"Any corresponding member, upon becoming a resident of the State of Rhode Island, shall be transferred to active membership."

After some discussion of this proposed amendment and of the necessity of other changes or amendments, it was resolved that the President appoint a committee of three to report a revision of the by-laws, the President to be a member thereof.

The President was appointed a delegate to represent this Society at the inaugural exercises of the Rice Institute at Houston, Texas.

NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 14, 1913

The President, Wilfred H. Munro, in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following persons were elected to membership :

Le Baron B. Colt, H. Anthony Dyer, John Revelstoke Rathom,

George Thurston Spicer, Joseph H. Gainer, Marsden J. Perry, Walter Knight Sturges, Richard A. Hurley.

The Treasurer read his annual report, and it was ordered placed on file.

The report of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings was read and was ordered placed on file.

The reports of the Library Committee and of the Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper were read and ordered placed on file.

The report of the Publication Committee was made orally, through the Chairman, William MacDonald.

The report of the Finance Committee was made orally, through the Treasurer, Robert P. Brown.

President Munro reported orally for the Lecture Committee as to the lectures to be given this winter.

The Committee appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year reported the following list of nominees to be found on page 7 of the Proceedings.

Wilfred H. Munro was unanimously elected President for the year 1913-14.

The other officers and members of committees were duly elected.

It was Resolved, That, for the current year, the President, the two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian and the Chairman of the several standing committees shall constitute an Executive Committee at whose meetings the President shall preside. This Committee shall exercise a general supervision on behalf of the Society in all matters not directly referred to the President or to a standing or a special committee. Any four members of this Committee shall constitute

a quorum for the transaction of business generally, and a notice for a meeting of the Society shall be deemed a notice for a meeting of this Committee.

Gilbert Chinard of Berkeley, California, was elected a corresponding member.

On motion of George Parker Winship, it was

Resolved, That, the President communicate to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress from this State the desire of the Rhode Island Historical Society that they do everything in their power to bring about the erection of a building designed for the safe keeping of the national archives.

The President delivered an informal talk upon Russia and Japan.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN FOR 1911

The growth of the library has been normal during the year. The statistics of this and other phases of the work will appear in the report of the Library Committee. Reference to specific gifts will also be found in the report of that committee. I cannot refrain from alluding to the most notable gift of the year, a collection of pencil and water-color drawings of the Providence of seventy-five years ago, together with several volumes of colored drawings of Rhode Island plants and flowers. These are the work of Edward L. Peckham, and are presented to the Society by his heirs. So recent is their arrival that a fitting description of them must be deferred to a later time. Attention should be called also to a painting of St. John's Church, Providence, presented by Mr. Philip Allen of this city.

In the earlier days of the Society a register of visitors was kept in the library, but for some years this practice has fallen into disuse. Believing that some record of the use of the collections in this building should be kept both as a means of protection and for statistical purposes, a form of registration slip has been introduced. Each visitor, not a member of the Society, is requested to fill out a slip giving name and address. To this is added by the attendant a note showing the field of the visitor's interest. A record is also kept of the number of visits of members.

The permanent work of the year began with the campaign for new members. The Handbook was prepared, and mailed, with blank applications for membership, to a large number of persons in the State. This effort, together with the natural growth, has brought the additions during the year to seventy-one. The losses during the same time have been eight.

During the past summer there was published as an "Education Circular" of the State Department of Education a

guide book to "Points of Historical Interest in the State of Rhode Island," edited by Mr. David W. Hoyt of this Society. In the earlier stages of its preparation, Mr. Hoyt was assisted by Mr. Brigham, our former Librarian, and more recently by Miss Bliven, the Assistant Librarian, Mr. Herbert W. Lull of Newport and Mr. Charles R. Carr of Warren. The work has received favorable comment.

Through the kindness of a few members of the Society and the co-operation of the town of Warwick, the Society has been able to undertake the transcription of the first book of records of the town of Warwick. The book, covering the years 1647-68, contains the proceedings of town meetings, court records, acts of proprietors and land evidences. The work of transcription has been done by Mrs. Louise P. Bates. The three typewritten copies which are now being made will be placed in this library, in the office of the town clerk of Warwick, and in the Library of Congress.

The disposition of the large quantity of unbound material acquired in the Brown Collection furnished the occasion for a reorganization of portions of our pamphlet material preparatory to cataloguing.

The labor connected with the administration of the newspaper collection has materially increased. Formerly the volumes of newspapers were delivered to the library bound, but under the present law the whole work of subscription, filing, collation and preparation for the binder is done at the library. To such an extent has this labor increased that it raises the question whether the Society may not with propriety ask the legislature for an increased appropriation. This matter I commend to your attention.

The document-room has received a thorough overhauling, and its contents are now arranged in an orderly manner. A considerable number of duplicates have been removed to the basement, thereby giving needed shelf room for documents. The collection of Rhode Island state documents has been checked, and a check list prepared. A similar work has been done for the contents of the newspaper-room.

Temporary card inventories have been made of the newspapers and of the contents of the vault, to serve as a catalogue until more complete cataloguing can be undertaken. During the latter half of the year a portion of the time of the Assistant Librarian has been devoted to the service of the Publication Committee. This will probably be the case during a portion of the coming year.

For a long time the disposition of rolled maps has presented a problem. The contemplated construction of a large map case has been made unnecessary by the conversion, at small expense, of a closet opening on the gallery into a maproom. This will serve to accommodate the rolled maps for some time to come. In connection with the transfer of the maps to their new quarters a card list of them was prepared.

Through the efforts of the janitor conditions in the basement have been materially improved. One room has been assigned for the storage of duplicate newspapers, hitherto scattered in various parts of the building. New shelving has been installed there and elsewhere in the basement to receive papers and duplicate volumes from the upper rooms.

The re-cataloguing of the genealogical collection is now under way, and will be completed during the coming year. It has been decided to make use of the printed cards of the Library of Congress so far as available, and these are now being used in the genealogical department.

At the present time no catalogue exists of the Society's manuscripts, of the vast mass of pamphlet and other unbound material relating to Rhode Island, or of the newspapers.

These form the most rare and valuable of the Society's possessions. It is uncomplimentary to this Society, and humiliating to those in charge of the library, to be obliged to answer an inquiry by a confession that we do not know and have no immediate means of ascertaining whether a certain pamphlet or manuscript is in the library. Such is the case at present, and unless special measures are taken to hasten forward the cataloguing it will be the case for a long time to come. It has been in an attempt to secure temporary and partial

relief from this condition that the card inventories before mentioned have been prepared. If substantial progress is to be made in these directions, it is imperative that one additional assistant be added to the library staff.

I must take this opportunity to call attention again to some other pressing needs of the Society. The matter of adequate lighting demands attention. In many parts of the building it is impossible to read the titles of books on the shelves, and the use of candles or lighted matches is scarcely a safe solution of the problem. An installation of electric lights would meet the situation. This would permit, too, the use of a vacuum cleaner, by which means the books and shelves could be kept free from dirt as they cannot be at present. The growth of the collection of views and portraits makes more urgent the need of proper facilities for their preservation. They cannot now be cared for as they should be, nor are there proper facilities for their examination. A vertical filing system would, perhaps, afford the best method of caring for them.

The additional assistance and the improvements suggested call for additional income. The vote of the Executive Committee one year ago, looking to the raising of twenty-five thousand dollars additional endowment, has not yet borne fruit. Until funds can be made available from this or other sources no considerable relief can be obtained from present conditions. While to rest in the contemplation of work well done in the past is fatal to progress, we may derive from it the hope and the assurance that now the members of the Society will rise to the needs of the present and furnish the means of further advancement.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK G. BATES,

Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN FOR 1912

During the past year our accessions have numbered 408 bound books, about the same number of pamphlets and 29 manuscripts. Of these, 110 were placed in the Rhode Island collection, while 85 were of genealogical interest and thus considerably strengthen our fine collection of family histories.

Besides these accessions we have been able to place upon our shelves 35 volumes of old Rhode Island newspapers, which have added greatly to our newspaper department. Of chief interest among these may be mentioned vol. 1 of the *Anti-Universalist*, which was published in Providence from 1823 to 1830, and the *Religious Intelligencer* for 1821, both of which complete our files of the respective papers.

A card index has been made of all our Rhode Island newspapers which number about five hundred titles. As a result of this index several old papers apparently entirely forgotten came to light, such as the *Scourge*, Providence 1810, the *Morning Star*, Providence 1834 and the *Day Star*, 1849.

Our Rhode Island maps also have been card-indexed. The value of these two indexes can hardly be overestimated, as an enormous quantity of material has thus been made accessible which previously was, we might say, scarcely known to exist. These two catalogues have been placed in the new catalogue cabinet which has recently been added to the equipment of the centre room.

Mr. Henry R. Chace has recently presented the Society with four maps showing the town of Providence as it was in 1770. These valuable maps supplement the maps of Providence in 1798 which Mr. Chace presented in 1906. They have been bound in one volume which is, this evening, exhibited on the table in the centre room where it may be inspected by the members later in the evening. There has also come into the

possession of the Society a chart of Narragansett Bay, published in French in 1780, which is an extremely interesting work.

The Librarian, besides making these catalogues of the maps and newspapers, started Miss Perry, the assistant, upon the re-cataloguing of the library which is so sorely needed. The new catalogue is being made on standard size cards, the Library of Congress cards being used wherever possible. Considerable progress has already been made. The books on Rhode Island History and Rhode Island Biography have been catalogued first, and the work on these two classes is now practically done.

Besides the many recent accessions to the genealogical department, several manuscript genealogies previously hidden in the vault have been made accessible to the student in this field. The genealogical catalogue has been extended so that it is now a catalogue of all the works on genealogy and heraldry in the public libraries of the city, Providence Public Library, The Brown University Library, John Carter Brown Library and Providence Athenæum, as well as those in our own library. This is found to be of very great value to searchers. Several of Mr. W. W. Chapin's valuable genealogies of Rhode Island families have also been added to our shelves. A number of genealogical clippings from the Newport Mercury, arranged alphabetically on cards, have been placed upon the genealogical table, together with the genealogical section of the Boston Transcript which now comes regularly to the library. The following genealogical magazines are now received at the library as issued: Boston Transcript, New England Historical and Genealogical Register, American Journal of History, The Essex Antiquarian, New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Mayflower Descendant.

Among the gifts received by the Society the most notable are the swords and silver service of General Joseph Story Pitman. Miss Pitman presented three swords used by her father, General Pitman, and at the same time the Gorham Manufacturing Company gave a silver service of their own manufacture which was presented to General Pitman in 1859, by the

militia of the State. These historic treasures are now on exhibition in the museum upstairs.

Owing to the interest in the approaching Perry centennial, the Librarian prepared an exhibit of the relics of Commodore Perry together with a shelf of books upon Perry's life and the Battle of Lake Erie. This exhibit has been left in the case at the right of the lecture-room in order that it may be viewed by the members to-night.

Besides the quarterly News Sheet, which keeps the progress of the library before the minds of the members, the Librarian prepared an article on the Society which appeared in the Board of Trade Journal for December. The value of this mode of publication has already been proven as the Librarian received several letters and gifts directly as a result of the article.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD M. CHAPIN,

Librarian and Cabinet-Keeper.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

JANUARY 9, 1912*

There have been added to the Library 1598 books and pamphlets, 250 manuscripts, 108 photographs and views, and 27 additions to the museum, a total of 1598 accessions, of which approximately 499 were added by purchase, 518 by exchange and 976 by gift.

The library has been open, as heretofore, from 9 to 4 daily, except for the usual holidays, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas, and except for the month of August, when the building was open, according to custom, only from 10 to 1. These hours have, in practice, been extended whenever there were reasons for completing the work in hand, or for facilitating the work of those who use the Society's collections.

* The report of the Library Committee in January, 1913, was given orally, and is embodied in the report of the Librarian.

In addition to the all important work of answering enquiries about Rhode Island history and tradition, assisting those who come to the library for study, and the details of caring for the books, old and new, the library force has rearranged the collections of national and state documents, and has examined the files of newspapers of which we are the custodians. Work has been started on the serious task of introducing the standard size of cards for the catalogue of the library and work on the genealogical section, which contains the books most frequently consulted, is now under way.

Through an arrangement with the Publication Committee, Miss Bliven has undertaken to transcribe the manuscripts for the next volume which that committee has in hand. This

enabled the Library Committee to employ an additional assistant, making it possible for the Librarian to devote his attention to sections of the library which have long needed a thorough overhauling.

The Library Committee wish particularly to acknowledge the indebtedness of the Society to the following persons for the more notable gifts received during the year :

To Joshua M. Addeman, for frequent gifts of Rhode Island pamphlets and ephemeral material.

To Walter F. Angell, for copies of papers relating to Roger Williams's suit in chancery and to the Angell family, the results of research which Mr. Angell caused to be made in England.

To Mrs. William A. Bushee and Miss Alice M. Bushee, for the account books, 1815-32, of George Aldrich, proprietor of the Whig Inn at Union Village; minute book of Wellington Aldrich, Justice of the Peace, Smithfield, 1862-63; prospectus, subscription lists and minutes of the Smithfield Union Institute, 1845; and registers of students kept by James Bushee at Smithfield Academy and Smithfield Union High School, 1837-52; also for numerous pamphlets and additions to the museum.

To William W. Chapin, for manuscript genealogies of the families of Dr. Jonathan Arnold, William Antram, Dr. Ephraim Bowen and Stephen Jackson, families which have played a prominent part in the life of Providence, which offer peculiar problems to the genealogical enquirer, and concerning which no collected material has been available before the receipt of Mr. Chapin's admirable papers.

To Frank H. Cranston, for the original "Blazon of the Ensign Armorial of Samuel Cranstoun, Governour of the Road Island on the Coast of New England, 1724."

To Miss Sarah E. Doyle, for a portrait of her brother, the late Mayor Thomas A. Doyle, for the chair used by him as Mayor of Providence and presented to him by the city officials in 1881, and for the gift of a pewter plate which descended from M. Bliss, 1701, to D. Jones, 1795, to D. E. Jones, 1845,

S. E. Doyle, 1869, and to the Rhode Island Historical Society, 1911.

To Eugene P. King, for a collection of letters written by lecturers before the Franklin Lyceum, 1857-58, including letters from Henry Ward Beecher, Charles A. Dana, George William Curtis, Wendell Phillips, Bayard Taylor and William Cullen Bryant; for causing the two large tables in the central room to be newly covered; and for the gift of numerous books and pamphlets.

To Miss Mary E. Knowles, for books and pamphlets which were once the property of her uncle, Richmond P. Everett, and her great-grandfather, John Howland, each of whom was long actively connected with the work of the Society.

To G. Richmond Parsons, for a notebook containing writings of Judge Samuel Eddy, 1827-31, and Judge Eddy's genealogical papers.

To the heirs of Edward Lewis Peckham, for a collection of pencil and water-color drawings of Providence made by Mr. Peckham in the earlier half of the nineteenth century; and for five volumes of drawings of New England flowers made at the same period. This comprises the most valuable addition to our collection of Rhode Island views which has been received in recent years.

To the Sampson & Murdock Company, for the gift of 222 directories.

To Edmund D. Walker, of Wakefield, for letters written about 1790 to John and Orpha Rose, of South Kingstown, by the notorious Jemima Wilkinson and her followers.

To Daniel Berkeley Updike, through whose influence the Society has received copies of Desmond Fitzgerald's Family Notes, the Records of the Brewster Congregational Church, and the two volumes thus far issued of the Archives of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, all privately printed products of Mr. Updike's Merrymount Press.

To Miss Mary A. Waterman of Newport and New York, for the gift of a pewter platter and five pewter plates which once belonged to Marie Tourtellot, daughter of Gabriel Bernon;

for a pewter porringer from the Waterman family ; a set of blue and white cotton bed hangings, woven and made by Lydia Knowlton ; and several manuscripts relating to the Waterman family.

To William A. Wing, for frequent and valuable additions to the Society's collection of Quaker literature and history.

This is by no means a complete list of the friends of the library by whose generosity the Society has profited during the past year. A complete list will be found on pages 69 to 72 of these Proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

G. P. WINSHIP,

Chairman.

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society*

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, ACCOUNT 1911

DR.

DR. CHARLES W. PARSONS IMPROVEMENT FUND, JAN. 1, 1911

Jan. 1, 1911 National Exchange Bank	\$85 59	
Cost 60 shares Penn. R. R.	3,983 32	
Cost 15 shares N. Y. Central R. R.	1,725 00	
Dividends 60 shares Penn. R. R. Stock	180 00	
Dividends 15 shares N. Y. Central R. R.	78 75	
Rights on 60 shares Penn. R. R.	60 00	
Interest National Exchange Bank	3 53	\$6,116 19

CR.

INVESTMENT

60 shares Penn. R. R.	\$3,983 32	
15 shares New York Central R. R.	1,725 00	
Balance National Exchange Bank	407 87	\$6,116 19

DR.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND APPROPRIATION

To checks received from the State Treasurer \$1,500 00

CR.

Paid Library Committee	\$1,277 20	
Paid Library Expenses	222 80	\$1,500 00

January 12, 1912
Examined and found correct

CHARLES SISSON
SAMUEL H. WEBB
WM. C. GREENE

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society*

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 1, 1912

DR.

For Legacy Account:

Samuel M. Noyes	\$12,000 00	
Henry J. Steere	10,000 00	
Charles W. Smith	5,000 00	
Esek A. Jillson	2,000 00	
John Wilson Smith	1,000 00	
William G. Weld	1,000 00	
Charles C. Hoskins	1,000 00	
Charles H. Atwood	1,000 00	
William H. Potter	3,000 00	
Cash	50 00	
Stock, Dividend and increase	1,907 14	
Interest at Bank	35 74	\$37,992 88

For Publication Fund:

Ira B. Peck	\$1,000 00	
William Gammell	1,000 00	
Albert J. Jones	1,000 00	
Julia Bullock	500 00	
Charles H. Smith	100 00	
William Ely	1,000 00	4,600 00

For Life Membership Fund:	\$3,593 76	
7 New Members at \$50	350 00	3,943 76

New Members Fund:	\$815 00	
65 New Members at \$5	325 00	1,140 00

For Parsons Improvement Fund:		6,116 19
		<u>\$53,792 83</u>

CR.

Investment Account National Exchange Bank	\$4,598 89	
6 bonds Minn. L. & M. Ry. Co.	5,850 00	
30 shares Merchants National Bank	1,800 00	
45 shares Blackstone Canal National Bank	1,050 00	
110 shares New York Central R. R. Co. . .	10,775 00	
30 shares Lehigh Valley R. R.	2,112 50	
17 shares Penn. R. R. Co.	1,084 38	
17 shares American Tel. & Tel. Co.	2,316 61	
42 shares Providence Gas Co.	4,105 50	\$33,692 88
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Mortgage Notes :

P. A. & H. A. Cory	\$3,350 00	
Michael F. Judge	950 00	4,300 00
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		\$37,992 88

Account Publication Fund, R. I. Hospital Trust Co. 4,600 00

Account Life Membership Fund :

Mechanics Branch, Ind. Trust Co.	\$2,202 86	
Providence Institution for Savings	1,740 90	3,943 76
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Account New Membership Fund, Ind. Trust Co. 1,140 00

Account Parsons Imp. Fund, Nat. Ex. Bank 6,116 19

\$53,792 83

January 8, 1912

Examined and found correct

CHARLES SISSON
SAMUEL H. WEBB
WM. C. GREENE

GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1912

Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island Historical Society

DR.		
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1912		\$ 14 34
Received for dues		882 06
Sale of Books		17 50
Interest National Exchange Bank		8 32
Use of Room		50 00
State of Rhode Island	1,500 00	
N. Y. Central R. R.	550 00	
Penn. R. R. Co.	127 50	
Lehigh Valley R. R.	150 00	
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	232 00	
Interest on Minn. St. Ry. bonds	300 00	
Dividend Providence Gas Co.	168 00	
Dividend Merchants National Bank	105 00	
Dividend Blackstone Canal National Bank	61 88	
Interest on Mortgage of M. F. Judge	49 50	
Interest on Mortgage of Mary E. Cory	201 00	
Lehigh Valley Coal Sales Co.	3 75	
Eugene P. King Gift for Tables	15 00	
Providence Institution for Savings, Life Mem.	70 38	
Industrial Trust Co. Life Mem.	88 96	
Industrial Trust Co. New Mem.	47 09	
R. I. Hospital Trust Co. Publication Fund	185 84	\$4,828 12

CR.		
Salary of Librarian, F. G. Bates	\$1,000 00	
Salary of Librarian, H. M. Chapin	350 00	
Salary of Janitor, A. McCabe	300 00	
Library Committee	1,003 30	
Express, etc.	68 51	
Office Expense	24 55	
Telephone	48 60	
Water	9 31	
Ashes	17 00	
Coal	262 00	
Care of Grounds	26 15	
Repairs	241 57	
Books	456 04	
Library Supplies	95 31	
Printing	247 75	
Binding	28 75	\$4,238 84
Balance on hand		589 28
		<u>\$4,828 12</u>

Providence R. I., January 13, 1913

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON
WILLIS H. WHITE

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society*

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DR. CHARLES W. PARSONS IMPROVEMENT FUND, JAN. 1, 1912

Jan. 1, 1912 National Exchange Bank	\$407 87	
Cost 60 shares Penn. R. R.	3,983 32	
Cost 15 shares N. Y. Central R. R.	1,725 00	
Dividends 60 shares Penn. R. R. Stock	180 00	
Dividends 15 shares N. Y. Central R. R.	75 00	
Interest National Exchange Bank	8 03	\$6,379 22
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INVESTMENTS

60 shares Penn. R. R.	\$3,983 32	
15 shares N. Y. Central R. R.	1,725 00	
Balance National Exchange Bank	670 90	\$6,379 22
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DR.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND APPROPRIATION

To checks received from State Treasurer	\$1,500 00
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CR.

Paid Library Committee	\$1,003 30	
Paid Library Expenses	496 70	\$1,500 00
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Providence, R. I., January 13, 1913

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON
WILLIS H. WHITE

*Robert P. Brown, Treasurer, in account with the Rhode Island
Historical Society*

BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 1, 1913

DR.

For Legacy Account		
Samuel N. Noyes	\$12,000 00	
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John Wilson Smith	1,000 00	
William G. Weld	1,000 00	
Charles C. Hoskins	1,000 00	
Charles H. Atwood	1,000 00	
William H. Potter	3,000 00	
Cash	50 00	
Stock, Dividend and Increase	2,057 14	
Interest at Bank	60 18	\$38,167 32
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For Publication Fund		
Ira B. Peck	\$1,000 00	
William Gammell	1,000 00	
Albert J. Jones	1,000 00	
Julia Bullock	500 00	
Charles H. Smith	100 00	
William Ely	1,000 00	4,600 00
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Life Membership Fund:	\$3,943 76	
3 New Members at \$50	150 00	4,093 76
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New Membership Fund	\$1,140 00	
26 New Members at \$5	130 00	1,270 00
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Parsons Improvement Fund:		6,379 22
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		\$54,510 30

CR.

Investment Account National Exchange Bank	\$118 58	
6 bonds Minn. L. & M. Ry. Co.	5,850 00	
30 shares Merchants National Bank	1,800 00	
45 shares Blackstone Canal National Bank	1,050 00	
110 shares N. Y. Central R. R.	10,775 00	
30 shares Lehigh Valley R. R.	2,112 50	
51 shares Penn. R. R.	3,205 13	
33 shares American Tel. & Tel. Co.	4,700 61	
42 shares Providence Gas Co.	4,105 50	
3 shares Lehigh Valley Coal Sales Co. . . .	150 00	\$33,867 32
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Mortgage Notes :		
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		\$38,167 32
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Account Life Membership Fund :		
Mechanic's Branch, Ind. Trust Co.	2,202 86	
Providence Inst. for Savings	1,890 90	4,093 76
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Account New Membership Fund, Ind. Trust Co.		1,270 00
Account Parsons Imp. Fund, Nat. Ex. Bank		6,379 22
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		\$54,510 30

Providence, R. I., January 13, 1913

Examined and found correct, for the Auditors.

CHARLES SISSON
WILLIS H. WHITE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS

In making its report for the year 1911 the Committee on Grounds and Buildings records with regret the death of one of its members, Mr. Horace A. Kimball.

Beyond the necessary repairs to the building and the usual care of the grounds no improvements have been undertaken except that gas lighting has been put into the Rhode Island Room and that shelving has been installed in the basement. In each of these cases this Committee has provided the material while the actual work has been done by Mr. McCabe who, in every year, does a good deal in this way at a considerable saving to the Society in the cost of labor.

The Expenditures for the year have been :

Repairs to the boiler	\$77 86
Materials for gas outlet	1 02
Materials for shelving	69 00
Small repairs	6 02
Care of grounds	62 10
	\$216 00

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN M. ISHAM
EDWIN A. BURLINGAME
Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS

The Committee on Grounds and Buildings presents its report for the year 1912 as follows :

Aside from the ordinary repairs the only work undertaken has been the placing of a sign on the front lawn, the installation of some new shelving and the painting of the New England Room.

The expenditures have been as follows :

Sign for front lawn	\$18 50
Stock for shelving	95 00
Painting New England room	55 00
Repairing roof and conductors	33 71
Care of grounds	59 25
Miscellaneous repairs, etc.	7 82
	\$269 28

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN M. ISHAM
EDWIN A. BURLINGAME
CHARLES DEAN KIMBALL

Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

NECROLOGY

JOHN TAGGARD BLODGETT

John Taggard Blodgett was born in Belmont, Mass., May 16, 1859, the son of William Alfred and Anna Maria (Taggard) Blodgett, the descendant of Thomas Blodgett, who came from London to Boston in the "Increase" in 1635, and settled at Watertown, now Cambridge.

Jonathan Blodgett, the great-great-grandfather of John T. Blodgett, answered the "Lexington alarm," April 19, 1775, and served later as a private in a New Hampshire regiment.

The subject of our memoir was a great-grandson of William Taggard, ensign and lieutenant in the Second New Hampshire Regiment, 1776-80; the great-grandson of Bartholomew Trow, a member of "The Boston Tea Party," a minute man at Lexington, April 19, 1775, a lieutenant in Col. Thomas Gardiner's regiment at Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775, and a captain in the Twenty-fifth Massachusetts Regiment at the siege of Quebec in 1776; the great grandson of Hezekiah Welch, second lieutenant of the frigate "Boston" in 1778; and great-grandson of Ebenezer Welch, midshipman in the Revolution.

John T. Blodgett received his early education in the public schools of Belmont and of Watertown, Mass., and was graduated from the Watertown High School in 1875 and from Worcester Academy in 1876. Then he entered Brown University and was graduated in 1880, being made a member of the Society of Phi Beta Kappa, and receiving, three years later, the degree of A.M. from the college.

Upon graduation he entered upon the study of law in the office of Benjamin N. Lapham in Providence. At the end of the customary three years' study in the office of a lawyer, he passed the bar examinations with brilliancy and was admitted to practice. He was United States commissioner for the District of Rhode Island, 1890-97, and supervisor of Federal

elections in Rhode Island in 1891, remaining in that office until the repeal of the Federal election law. The familiarity with election laws thus acquired led him to prepare and to carry through a state law providing for the appointment and defining the powers and duties of the Board of Canvassers and Registration. Upon its passage in 1895, he was appointed a member and he was its chairman until elected to the Supreme Court of the State.

He was a member of the House of Representatives from Providence, 1898-1900, and took a leading part in drafting and securing the adoption of important legislation relating to Providence. His experience upon the Board of Canvassers led to his appointment in 1900 as chairman of the commission to revise the ward lines of the city. He was chairman of the Rhode Island Commission to the Jamestown Exposition of 1907. In 1900 he was elected by the General Assembly, associate justice of the Supreme Court and he died in office March 4, 1912.

He was a member and vice-president for Rhode Island of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, a member of the Rhode Island Society of Colonial Wars and of the Rhode Island Society of Sons of the American Revolution. He was also a corresponding member of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, and he contributed to its transactions in 1909 a paper upon "The Political Theory of the Mayflower Compact."

He married, March 28, 1883, Amelia Wilson Torrey, daughter of Moses E. and Amelia (Wilson) Torrey of Providence, and their daughter Gwendolen survives her parents. August 15, 1900, he married his second wife, Amy de Lacy Bemiss, daughter of Dr. Samuel M. and Frances (Lockert) Bemiss, of New Orleans, La., who survives him.

HOLDER BORDER BOWEN

Holder Borden Bowen was born in Providence, June 3, 1844, the son of Tully Dorrance Bowen and Louise (Holmes)

Bowen. He was prepared for college at Lyon and Frieze's School in Providence, and graduated from Harvard University in 1867. After some months' travel in Europe he became a member of the firm of Borden & Bowen, which became later the Manville Company, and he remained connected with the business until a few years before his death, when he retired on account of poor health. His last few years were devoted to his books. His tastes were literary, and reading was his chief resource. He died October 14, 1911.

EDWIN HARRIS BURLINGAME

Edwin Harris Burlingame, only child of Erastus Nelson Burlingame and Lydia (Wood) Burlingame, was born August 13, 1836, in Warwick, and died in Ossipee, N. H., August 4, 1912.

He was a descendant of Roger Burlingame, who was the first white settler at Meshanticut, now Cranston. Others of his ancestors who were prominent in the early history of the colony were John Lippitt, Henry Knowles, Anthony Paine, John Tripp, Jonathan Vaughn, Robert Spink and Rev. William Hall.

His boyhood was spent in different mill villages of Rhode Island, as his father was connected with different cotton mill properties. Erastus N. Burlingame finally located in Cranston, where he was a partner of the late John Ross in the management of a thread mill which stood on Pocasset Brook, near the Cranston Print Works.

Edwin H. Burlingame was a student at Lyon and Frieze's School, also at Barre Academy, Barre, Vt. In 1855 he was ready for college and expected to enter Brown University, but financial reasons forced him to enter active business instead, and he started with H. F. Walling of New York in the surveying for, and the making of, county maps. In February of 1857, he became a partner of Mr. Walling, but the panic of 1857 brought about the dissolution of the firm and for the next

five years he was variously employed as school teacher, draftsman and surveyor.

During the Civil War he served as second and first lieutenant in the Eleventh Rhode Island Regiment.

In 1864 he went to Pottsville, Penn., as manager for the Norwegian Coal Company and spent three years there. That was at the height of the Molly Maguire troubles. In 1867-68 he was president of the Potter County Lumber Company operating in the northern part of Pennsylvania. In the latter part of 1868 he went to Williamsport, Penn., and was engaged in engineering work there until 1881. He built the water works for that city, built two bridges across the Susquehanna river and developed the hotel and cottage property at Minnequa Springs, famous as a summer resort thirty years ago. He organized, built, and for years was treasurer and general manager of the Williamsport Rubber Company, to-day one of the important plants of the United States Rubber Company. Business reverses came, and in 1881 he went to New York as engineer on the construction of the first Hudson River Tunnel. Since 1885, he had been chiefly interested in water works construction. Among the many plants that he built are those at Waterford, N. Y., West Troy, N. Y., Carthage, N. Y., Weston, Mass., Salisbury, N. C., Spartanburg, S. C., Jackson, Miss., Clinton, Mo., Trenton, Mo., and Peoria, Ill.

During the last few years of his life he gave up active work and concerned himself chiefly with genealogical and botanical study.

He was a member of Prescott Post, G. A. R., the Massachusetts Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, of the New England Botanical Club of Boston, the Rhode Island Horticultural Society, of which for several years he was president, the Rhode Island Historical Society, and the Providence Franklin Society.

He was twice married. His first wife was Mary Russ of Queechy, Vt.; she died in 1862, and in 1865 he married Eliza Aylsworth, daughter of the late Judge Eli Aylsworth. She died November 22, 1908.

He is survived by two children, Edwin Aylsworth Burlingame, and Mary Rothwell Peck, wife of Hon. Frederick S. Peck, of Barrington.

The collection and study of botanical specimens was Mr. Burlingame's chief hobby, and in the years of a long life, during which he had covered almost all corners of this great country, he had acquired a fairly important herbarium, which he gave to Brown University in 1911. He had also given much time to genealogical study and was at work upon a genealogy of the Burlingame family at the time of his death. The manuscript copy of this work has been deposited with the Historical Society.

His business life was one of strenuous effort, but his desires were for the quiet of the country, the companionship of his family, his friends, his books, his flowers,—and in such surroundings he was always to be found when he could withdraw from the cares which duty imposed upon him.

WILLIAM BUTLER DUNCAN

William Butler Duncan, the son of Alexander and Sarah (Butler) Duncan, was born March 17, 1830, in Edinburgh, Scotland, and died in New York, June 20, 1912.

Alexander Duncan was the son of Alexander Duncan of Parkhill Arbroath, Scotland. Coming to this country in early life, Alexander Duncan, 2d, became a naturalized citizen of the United States. He was graduated from Yale in 1825, and in 1827 he married, in Providence, Sarah Butler, the niece of Cyrus Butler of this city.

Although born in Scotland, William Butler Duncan always considered himself an American citizen by birth and he lived the greater part of his life in New York. Educated in Edinburgh and at Brown University, he was a partner in the banking house of Duncan, Sherman & Company from 1851 until 1875. He was president of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company from 1874 to 1888. On the purchase of this railroad by the Southern Railroad Company he became chairman of its Board

of Directors, and he continued in that office until his death. He was also a director in the Southern and Atlantic Telegraph Company and the United States Guarantee Company.

In 1850 he received the honorary degree of A.M. from Brown University.

He was a vice-president of the Butler Hospital, and president of the Butler Exchange Company. He was a member of the National Academy of Design, of the Associated Alumni of Brown University, of the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, and of the American Museum of Natural History.

He married, November 22, 1853, Jane Percy Sargent, the daughter of George W. Sargent of Philadelphia and Natchez. Their children are Jessie Percy Sargent who married Wilton Phipps of London, England; A. Butler Duncan; and Mary Duncan who married Paul Dana of New York.

HENRY COGGESHALL GLADDING

Henry Coggeshall Gladding, the son of Benjamin and Mehitable Turner (Coggeshall) Gladding, was born in Chenango County, N. Y., January 11, 1827, the eighth in descent from John and Elizabeth (Rogers) Gladding, the emigrant ancestors to Plymouth, Mass., of the Gladding family.

The year Henry was born his father and mother moved to Waterville in Oneida County, N. Y., not far from Chenango County. There in 1832, his father, who had been a carpenter, turned his attention to making rope and cordage. Henry was later apprenticed to the machine trade in Waterville, his term ending only six months before he came of age. In July 1847, he moved to Bristol, his father's ancestral home, remaining most of the time for the next ten years, engaged in various mechanic enterprises. He put new machinery into the Pokanoket Cotton Mill, had charge of the machinery, patterns, etc., of the Bristol Butt Foundry until it was burned in 1850, and then he joined his cousin, John Gladding, in the tin, sheet-iron and stove business in Bristol.

April 2, 1851, he married Emily P. Eldred, daughter of Captain Samuel and Levina (Barbour) Eldred, of Bristol. While visiting his kindred in the state of New York on his wedding trip, Mr. Gladding became interested in the contract entered into by his brother Benjamin and others, to build about ninety miles of plank road and the necessary bridges, in Virginia. Seven steam sawmills were set up, to saw the millions of feet of lumber required, and Henry was engaged as master mechanic to install and keep the machinery in order. March 22, 1852, Emily Gladding, their only child was born. Saddened by the loss of his wife, who died April 11, 1852, Henry returned to Bristol in the summer of that year, and worked in the planing mill and machine shop of Joseph L. Gardner, until the shop was destroyed by fire in 1854. September 12, 1853, he married Sarah M. Waldron, daughter of Captain Allen and Martha (Gladding) Waldron of Bristol.

The Bristol Fire Arms Company was established in Bristol in 1854, under the management of Ambrose E. Burnside, afterwards general and later governor of the State and United States senator. Mr. Gladding remained connected with it until the company was moved to Providence in 1858, as "an all-round man" and inventor of labor-saving devices. He moved to Providence in that year and established a machine shop there with his brother James under the firm name of H. C. and J. N. Gladding. During the war he secured in company with Joseph Ralph a contract with the government for a large quantity of gun locks. Afterwards he became foreman of the machine department of the Union Screw Factory; when it was absorbed by the Eagle Screw Company, he again took up a general business in machinery and invented a device for measuring objects in a landscape in drawing from nature, somewhat like a pantograph machine.

Gradually withdrawing from business, he became interested in genealogical study especially in his family genealogy, to which he had long before been attracted through the family chart prepared by his uncle. In 1890 he issued a call for a reunion of the Gladding family in Bristol. The reunion was

held August 27, 1890, under the charge of a committee of seven leading Gladdings with "Uncle Henry," as he was now known, as the chairman. It was a great success, and inspired by it, he continued to gather material for the family history. In 1900 another family reunion was held in Bristol, again under his direction. In 1901 he published "The Gladding Book," a historical record of the family.

He died in Providence, February 2, 1908, universally loved and respected for his readiness to help those in trouble and for his genial nature and kindly qualities.

THOMAS J. GRIFFIN

Thomas J. Griffin was born in Providence in 1838. At the age of fifteen he became a stenographer, and was later instrumental in introducing stenography into the curriculum of the English High School. At the outbreak of the Civil War he joined the First Rhode Island Regiment, was mustered in May 27, 1861, later re-enlisted in the Fourth Rhode Island Regiment, and was mustered out October 15, 1864. He was later selected to write the forewords to the histories of the two regiments in the reports of the adjutant-general of Rhode Island. He was a charter member of Rodman Post, commander of the Rhode Island Department, G. A. R., president of the Providence Stenographers' Association, and for twenty-five years auditor of the Silver Spring Dyeing and Bleaching Company. He was executive secretary to Governor Lippitt. His skill as a stenographer made him much in demand at the discussions of the Rhode Island Medical Society, and other scientific or technical gatherings. He became a member of this Society in 1897. He died February 21, 1911.

JEFFREY HAZARD

Jeffrey Hazard was a descendant in the eighth generation of Thomas Hazard, who came to Boston in 1635 and settled in Portsmouth in 1640; and a grandson of former Chief Justice

Jeffrey Hazard, who was lieutenant-governor of Rhode Island in the early part of the last century. He was a brother of John Gardiner Hazard, who died May 15, 1897.

He was born in Exeter, September 23, 1835, a son of John and Margaret (Crandall) Hazard. His father was a farmer in early life and later engaged in mercantile pursuits in Providence. Jeffrey Hazard received his education in the Providence High School, and was a teller in the Manufacturers Bank at the outbreak of the Civil War. He enlisted and was commissioned second lieutenant of Battery A, First Rhode Island Light Artillery, on October 5, 1861. Later he was commissioned first lieutenant and regimental adjutant. He was made captain about a year later. While connected with this battery he distinguished himself for bravery in action at the battles of Ball's Bluff, Yorktown, Fair Oaks, Malvern Hill and Antietam; at the latter engagement the battery held with great credit an advanced and important position under severe infantry and artillery fire.

He was promoted to the captaincy of Battery H, which had been enlisted here under Captain Hamlin on October 1, 1862. This battery was taken to Camp Barry, Washington, where it suffered the loss of many of its members, mostly foreigners who had enlisted for bounty alone. The company was then supplied by an assignment of twenty-seven men from General Stannard's Vermont brigade, which was enlisted for nine months. At the time of the battle of Chancellorsville one section was ordered to Rappahannock Station, where it remained nine days with the Twelfth Vermont Regiment. Upon the return of this section, the whole battery was ordered to Chantilly, where it remained until Gen. "Joe" Hooker's army passed through Maryland and Pennsylvania. The purpose was to join the army in its march against Lee, who was concentrating his forces at Gettysburg. On July 28, 1863, the battery marched to Arlington Heights, reported to Brigadier-general Barry and was ordered to Camp Barry near Washington. Here it remained two days, then marched to Long Bridge and reported to General De Russy, and after-

ward to Camp Barry, reporting to Col. H. L. Abbot commanding the Third Brigade, Department South of the Potomac. About this time the enlistment of the men from the Vermont brigade expired, depleting the ranks of the company to such an extent that it seemed improbable that the battery could reach the front. Under these circumstances, on August 17, 1863, Captain Hazard resigned his command. He returned to Providence and entered the employ of the American Wood Pulp Company. The manufacture of paper from wood in America began in this company's mill at Royer's Ford, Pa.

Later Captain Hazard was employed by William H. Reynolds, a cotton broker of Providence, and remained with him until 1868, when he formed a partnership with A. Duncan Chapin in the cotton brokerage business, under the firm name of Hazard & Chapin. This partnership was continued until 1894, when it was dissolved and the Hazard Cotton Company was formed. Captain Hazard was chosen as president and had since held that position. He was one of the oldest cotton merchants in the city.

He was companion of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Massachusetts Commandery, a member of the Maine Artillery Veteran Corps of Providence and Prescott Post, G. A. R. He was also a member of the Hope, Squantum and Providence Art Clubs. He was a communicant of Grace Episcopal Church.

Captain Hazard married, October 20, 1865, Anna L. Hartwell, a daughter of John B. and Harriet (Hall) Hartwell of Providence. They had seven children, of whom four survive; Lauriston H. Hazard of Providence, treasurer of the Hazard Cotton Company; Mrs. Leland H. Littlefield and Harriet H. Hazard of Providence, and Mrs. William H. Barnum of Mamaroneck, N. Y. Mr. Hazard died November 15, 1910.

FRANCELLO GEORGE JILLSON

Francello George Jillson, soldier, teacher, lawyer, judge, died in Providence, November 6, 1912. He was born in

Woonsocket, September 22, 1841. His early education was obtained in Woonsocket.

When the Civil War broke out Mr. Jillson enlisted as corporal in Company K, in the First Rhode Island Detached Militia, serving from April 17, 1861 to August 2, when the detachment was mustered out.

When the Ninth Rhode Island Regiment was formed in May, 1862, Mr. Jillson was commissioned first lieutenant of Company G, and served from May 26 to September 2, 1862. Following his return from the war he taught school and studied law until February 1865, when he was admitted to the bar in Boston. Four years later he was admitted to the Rhode Island bar, and in 1875 to practice in the United States Circuit Court. Since that date he was in regular practice in Rhode Island up to the time of his death. When Woonsocket was incorporated in 1867, Mr. Jillson was appointed first clerk of the Probate Court and was later chosen town solicitor. He was a member of both branches of the State Legislature and for three years was speaker of the House. In 1912 he was appointed a member of the commission that divided Rhode Island into three congressional districts. He was also a member of the Board of State Charities and Corrections. He was elected commander of the Department of Rhode Island of the Grand Army of the Republic, 1909. On May 2, 1910, he was appointed judge of the Municipal Court of Providence. Mr. Jillson was a Mason of prominence, holding the thirty-second degree. He leaves a widow.

JAMES STANTON KENYON

James Stanton Kenyon was born in Charlestown, March 5, 1841, in the family homestead on "King Tom" farm, which had been in the possession of his ancestors for several generations, and which he had greatly beautified. Here he died, February 21, 1911. He received his education at the East Greenwich Academy. He was a clerk for four years with

B. B. & R. Knight, spent two years in the dry-goods business in New York City, and then returned to Providence, entering the firm of Burrows & Company, subsequently Burrows & Kenyon, lumber merchants. After the death of Mr. Burrows, Mr. Kenyon became the sole proprietor. He declined all public office. He was a member of the Board of Trade, was one of its Executive Council for several years, and was also a member of the Rhode Island Business Men's Association. He was vice-president of the Atlantic National Bank, a director of the Citizens Savings Bank and also of the Massie Wireless Telegraph Company. He was connected with the New England Building and Loan Association, the Homestead Building and Loan Association, the Providence Central Club, Squantum Association, Providence Art Club, Young Men's Republican Club, the Rhode Island School of Design and the Economic Club. He was prominently connected with the Masonic Order. He became a member of this Society in 1880. For thirty-eight years he was a deacon of the Central Baptist Church. He was a generous contributor to its support. He was also one of the constituent members of the Baptist Social Union, a social organization founded in 1871.

Mr. Kenyon was twice married. His first wife was Susan Burrows, by whom he had two daughters, Elizabeth, wife of Alfred H. Wilkinson of Salem, Mass., and Mary Stanton Kenyon. His second wife was Harriet Arnold, who died in October, 1910.

HORACE ARNOLD KIMBALL

Horace Arnold Kimball was born in Chepachet, in the town of Gloucester, November 1, 1837. He was the son of Horace and Ann Phyllis (Arnold) Kimball, and was one of eight children. After attending the schools of his native town, his education was continued at Warren, Andover, Mass., and at Thetford Academy in Vermont. At the age of twenty he was

elected cashier of the Franklin Bank in Chepachet, which office he held for several years, after which he engaged in the manufacture of woolen goods. He was associated with Warren O. Arnold at Chepachet until after the freshet of 1867, when he disposed of his interest in the mill to Mr. Arnold and F. R. White & Company. He then purchased the Lafayette Reynolds Mill at Pascoag, operating it until it was destroyed by fire in 1882. At the same time he was operating the John Chase Mill at Pascoag, and mills at South Coventry, Conn., and Hampden, Mass. Removing to Providence, he became owner of the Manton Mills at Manton, and conducted them until the organization of the American Woolen Company, of which he was one of the founders. He was honored and successful as a manufacturer. In his later years he was connected with the Clicquot Club Company of Millis, Mass., in the manufacture of Mineral Waters and Ginger Ale, of which company he was president, and the Rubdry Towel Company of Providence. In both enterprises he associated with himself his son, and continued his active interest in them until his death.

He was a charter member of the Pomham Club, a member of the West Side Club, and specially interested in yachting and automobiling.

In politics Mr. Kimball was a Democrat. He was a candidate for governor of Rhode Island in 1880, 1881 and 1882, and served for one term as State senator. He was appointed one of the commissioners on the State House in 1900, to fill a vacancy.

He married, October 7, 1877, Sara Ella Mereweather, daughter of Thomas and Sara (Hicks) Mereweather. His widow, a son, Horace Earle, and a daughter, Edith Phyllis, survive him. He died suddenly at Belgrade Lake, Me., September 1, 1911, while touring with his automobile. He was buried in Swan Point Cemetery. During his residence in Providence he was a regular attendant at the Central Congregational Church. He became a member of this Society in 1892.

HORATIO BICKFORD KNOX

Horatio Bickford Knox died April 14, 1912. At the time of his death he was professor of history in the Rhode Island State Normal School. He excelled in his ability to impart knowledge, and was a born educator. He had acquired an excellent reputation as a writer and lecturer on historical subjects. His death resulted from an attack of pneumonia, he having been ill but two weeks.

He was born in Cambriatown, Penn., November 16, 1856, and was the son of Simon Pearce Knox and Sarah E. (Bickford) Knox, both of whom were natives of the Granite State. When he was a child his parents removed to Farmington, Me., where he had his early education, and entered Colby University in Waterville, Me., graduating in the class of 1881. He acquired a fondness for teaching during his college course, and made it his profession.

Immediately after graduation he was elected principal of the High School in Eastport, Me., and filled the position successfully for three years. He then became principal of the High School in Palmer, Mass., where he remained for nearly ten years. In 1893 he was called to the Friends' School (now the Moses Brown) in Providence as instructor in the Classical Languages, which position he filled most acceptably for eleven years until 1904, when he accepted the chair of history in the Rhode Island State Normal School. He was assistant principal for a time, but was relieved of this duty at his own request.

He frequently addressed the school teachers of the State. He prepared sketches of distinguished men and prominent events in Rhode Island history, which were issued as leaflets and had a wide circulation, his literary style being most attractive for young people. He was projecting two or three historical volumes, and gathering the material for them at the time of his death. He read an interesting paper on "Anne Hutchinson and her Times" at a meeting of this Society February 20, 1912. He became a member of this Society in 1905.

He was an earnest religious worker, being a member of the Central Congregational Church, and superintendent and teacher in the Sunday School for a number of years. He was a member of the Masonic Order, of the University Club, the Congregational Club and the Barnard Club, of which he had been president. At the time of his death he was president of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction.

He married, August 18, 1882, Mary Edgerton Roberts, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roberts of Wakefield, N. H., by whom he had two children, Gertrude E. and Philip W., all of whom survive him.

GEORGE FARMER LEETE

George Farmer Leete was born in Rochester, N. Y., January 23, 1849, and died in Providence, January 19, 1912. He was the son of George A. and Elizabeth (Farmer) Leete, and was a descendant of William Leete, governor of Connecticut. Through his mother Elizabeth Farmer, the daughter of Jacob B. and Meliscent, as the name was then spelled, (Hosmer) Farmer, both of Concord, Mass., the subject of our memoir was connected with the fight at Concord by the part taken by the ancestors of these grandparents.

George F. Leete began his business career as a boy in the office of Duncan, Sherman and Company in New York in 1863. He came to Providence in 1866, as clerk under his father, in the office here of that firm. Under the partnership-name of George A. Leete and Son, he and his father became agents here for the Cunard Line, and later, for other ocean steamship lines. On the death of his father in 1884, he was appointed agent here for Alexander Duncan, and on Mr. Duncan's death and the organization of the Butler Duncan Land Company and the Butler Exchange Company, he was elected secretary and treasurer of these corporations, remaining in these offices until his death. He was also agent here for Drexel, Morgan and Company, later J. P. Morgan and Company.

He was a member of the Providence Board of Trade, the Squantum Club, the Hope Club, the Rhode Island Horticultural Society, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and this Society. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Providence Public Library, and was secretary of its Finance Committee.

He married, April 26, 1871, Harriet Remington, the daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Remington. He is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth, and a son, George Alfred Lecte.

ROBERT FANNING NOYES, M. D.

Dr. Robert Fanning Noyes died at his summer home at Matunuck Beach, June 2, 1912. He had practiced medicine in Providence since December, 1873. He was especially distinguished as a diagnostician. He was prominently connected with the Rhode Island Hospital, the St. Joseph's Hospital and the Rhode Island Medical Society, of which he had been president, as also of the Clinical Club.

He was born in South Kingstown, February 8, 1850, and was the son of Thomas W. Noyes and Julia Elma (Allen) Noyes. He was of Puritan ancestry, his earliest American ancestor being Rev. James Noyes, who was born in Cholder-ton, Wiltshire, Oxford, and emigrated to this country in 1634 in the ship "Mary and John," in company with a brother and a cousin, Rev. Thomas Parker, settling in what is now Newburyport, Mass. Rev. James Noyes and Rev. Thomas Parker were teacher and pastor over the first church in that town.

Dr. Noyes was educated at the public schools of his native town and at Mrs. S. H. Weeks' Seminary, also receiving private instruction in mathematics and languages from Rev. J. H. Wells. He also studied at East Greenwich, at the Friends' School in Providence, and the Connecticut Literary Institution at Suffield. At the age of nineteen he began the study of medicine with Dr. John Kenyon of this city. He attended the Harvard Medical School and the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, from which he was graduated in 1873,

settling at once in this city. He continued in active practice until 1911. He was a visitor to out-patients and visiting physician at the Rhode Island Hospital for many years, and a member of the Advisory Board at St. Joseph's Hospital. He contributed several papers of great value to the Rhode Island Medical Society. He became a member of this Society in 1897.

He married, May 16, 1888, Katherine Howland Gifford, daughter of Abraham R. and Merriah A. Gifford of Westport, Mass. One daughter was born to them, Emily Gifford Noyes, March 26, 1892.

CHARLES HARRISON PAGE

Charles Harrison Page, of Scituate, died in Providence, July 21, 1912. He was born in Gloucester, July 19, 1843, the son of William R. and Mariva D. (Hopkins) Page. Thrown upon his own resources he left home when eleven years old, went to the town schools in winter and worked on a farm in summer until he was seventeen. He worked steadily on a farm for the next two years and then enlisted as a private in Company A, Twelfth Regiment Rhode Island Volunteers, under the command of Col. George H. Browne. He was mustered out with his regiment July 29, 1863, when he went back to the farm and worked there until 1868. He resumed his studies then at the Illinois State Normal School at Bloomington and at the Southern Illinois College at Carbondale in that State. Returning to this State, he taught school in his native town until the spring of 1870, when he entered the law department of the University of Albany, New York. He was graduated in 1871, and was admitted to the bar in the Supreme Court of New York. He returned to Rhode Island, was admitted to the Rhode Island bar, and practiced his profession here through the rest of his life. In 1872-73 he was a member of the House of Representatives of this State from Scituate. In 1874 he was elected State senator and he was re-elected in 1875. In 1876 he was a Democratic candidate for Congress.

In 1879 he was a candidate for election as attorney-general of the State. In 1880 he was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention and chairman of the Rhode Island delegation. In 1884 he was again elected a member of the State Senate, and was also a delegate to the National Democratic Convention and chairman of the Rhode Island delegation. He was nominated for Congress by his party in 1884, and although his opponent, Major Pirce, was declared elected by a small majority, Mr. Page made a successful contest, and the seat was declared vacant. A special election was ordered and he was elected by a plurality of 295 votes. He took his seat and served about ten days in the last session of the Forty-ninth Congress. In 1885 he was again elected to the State Senate and again in 1890. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention in 1888. He was nominated by the Democratic party as representative to the Fifty-second Congress and received a plurality of 75 votes. The law of this State at that time required a majority, and in January, 1891, the General Assembly ordered a special election which resulted in the election of Mr. Page to the Fifty-second Congress. He was again elected to Congress in 1892, and he returned at the end of the Fifty-third Congress. While in Congress he became one of the prominent members from New England, for having stood by Speaker Crisp when that Georgia congressman was the candidate for the speakership, he became the chairman of the important committee on manufactures, and was the only member from New England who was appointed to the Rivers and Harbors committee. He was also a member of the committee on Claims. For several years he was a partner in the practice of law, under the firm name of Page and Owen, of the late Franklin P. Owen also of Scituate, and one of the promoters of the Providence and Danielson trolley line. Later he was associated in business with his son, Charles H. Page, Jr. Subsequently he associated himself with Arthur Cushing of North Providence, as Page and Cushing, and so remained until his death. He was a past master of Temple Lodge No. 18, A. F. and A. M.

Mr. Page married Julia, the daughter of Caleb W. and Hannah (Parker) Johnson, in 1862. They had three children, Charles H. Page, Jr., valedictorian of the class of 1892 in the Albany Law School, Julia E. E. Page and Minnie G. Page.

WALTER RICHMOND

Walter Richmond was born in Providence, July 27, 1839. He was the son of George M. and Anna (Eddy) Richmond. Receiving his education in our public schools, he entered early in life upon a business career in the office of his father. Upon admission to the firm the partnership name was George M. Richmond & Sons. The firm achieved great success in printing calicoes, etc., and in buying and selling cotton cloth. At the end of the war and the death of his father, Walter Richmond took charge of the selling agency in New York of the firm's goods, until he returned to Providence upon becoming the president of the company. In 1887 he retired from the business. He became much interested in the project of a trolley line from Market Square up College Hill to Red Bridge via Waterman Street, returning via Angell Street. With his associates in the enterprise, the Union Railroad Company, then a horse railroad company, having declined the enterprise, he petitioned the General Assembly for a charter. It was opposed by the Union Railroad Company and by many persons living on the proposed route. Public hearings were held and the committee of the legislature were taken over the proposed route, listening to the arguments of the proponents and the heated replies of remonstrants who threatened a bill in equity to restrain the building of the road, should a charter be granted. Mr. Richmond hung the walls of the committee-room with plats showing the route and in different colors, the land and its taxed value of both the petitioners and their opponents. A charter was granted and then came protracted hearings with further opposition before a committee of the City Council when the Providence Cable Tramway Company petitioned for the grant of a franchise over the pro-

posed route, and also to run their cars upon the tracks of the Union Railroad, via Westminster Street, to Olneyville and back to Market Square via Weybosset Street. The franchise was granted in 1889, and the road was built, principally through the indomitable energy and perseverance of Walter Richmond, its originator, and travel began in 1890, amidst the rejoicings of its friends living on its line of route.

Mr. Richmond was keenly interested in the Barbazon school of painting and he became the owner of many fine specimens of that school, added from time to time to his art collection.

In 1862 he married Julia C. Anthony, by whom he had six children, Knight C. Richmond, Mrs. Henry B. Gardner, Mrs. Joseph Walker, Harold A. Richmond, Walter E. Richmond and Gerald M. Richmond, who survive him. In 1890 he married his second wife, Amanda Ross; they are survived by their daughter, Charlotte Richmond.

WILLIAM GREENE ROELKER

William Greene Roelker was born in Cincinnati, O., June 12, 1854, and died in New York city, January 24, 1911. He was the son of Dr. Frederick Roelker and Katherine Ray (Greene). His father came from Hanover and was naturalized in this country, in 1837. His mother's great-great-grandfather, William Greene, was governor of Rhode Island under the Royal Charter of Charles II, 1778-86. His grandfather, also named William Greene, was lieutenant governor of the State, 1866-68.

He was educated in the private schools of Cincinnati, and in 1867 went to Europe and was at the University of Berlin, Académie de Genève, and, returning to this country, he entered the Harvard Law School in 1873, graduating in 1875 with the degree of LL.B. He was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar in 1876, and in that year he began practice in Providence, forming a partnership with Francis W. Miner, which continued until the retirement from practice of the latter. He was elected from the town of Warwick a member

of the Rhode Island House of Representatives in 1877 and 1878 and was a member of the Rhode Island Senate 1894-98. He was a delegate from Rhode Island to the National Convention of the Republican party in 1892, and in the same year was chairman of the Republican National Convention in Rhode Island. He was chairman of the commission to revise the laws of the State which resulted in the compilation known as "General Laws of Rhode Island, 1896." In 1894 he was a candidate before the Legislature for office of United States senator, but withdrew in favor of George Peabody Wetmore of Newport. He was a member of the American Bar Association, The Rhode Island Historical Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Colonial Wars, Rhode Island Society of the Cincinnati, Hope, Agawam and Squantum Clubs of Rhode Island, the Metropolitan and Fencers Clubs of New York and the New York Yacht Club, the University Club of Boston and the Metropolitan Club of Washington.

He was twice married, the children of his first wife surviving him being a son, William Greene Roelker, and two daughters, Eleanor Jenckes Roelker and Edith Goddard Roelker. He is survived by his widow, Coralie (Coudert), and a son, Frederick Edmonds Coudert Roelker.

Apart from Mr. Roelker's professional practice, which was large and lucrative, and apart from his political life, he became interested in various large financial enterprises and during the latter part of his life he devoted himself almost entirely to financial matters. He removed from Providence, residing largely in New York and Newport.

NICHOLAS SHELDON

Nicholas Sheldon was born March 1, 1830, and died August 15, 1911, in his eighty-second year. His ancestry went back to Roger Williams, Thomas Angell, Nicholas Sheldon, 1664-1747, and John Field, and on his mother's side to William Frothingham and Seth Sweetser, also to the Austins of Charlestown and the Fosters of Ipswich. His mother was

Harriet Sweetser. His father was Nicholas Sheldon, who in connection with John W. Butts carried on business as hatters at the manufactory on Dexter Court (now Stowe Court), and at 14 Market Square.

Mr. Sheldon through his long life was devoted to business enterprises. After graduating at the Providence High School he entered the employ of Peckham Brothers, dealers in cotton yarn and waste, at 64 North Main Street. Shortly after he was with Henry L. Kendall at the New England Screw Company. When Mr. Kendall sold out his screw stock, Mr. Sheldon came with him to the Kendall Manufacturing Company, corner of Friendship and Page Streets, where he was occupied as a soap manufacturer until his resignation as treasurer, June 28, 1911.

Mr. Sheldon was president of the National Exchange Bank, succeeding Henry L. Kendall, until December 31, 1905. He did signal public service as a member of the building and finance committee of the Providence Public Library, to which institution he gave \$10,000. He was a Unitarian, attending the Westminster Congregational Church until it moved, and afterwards the First Congregational Church.

He married on December 24, 1861, Mary Jane Dart, daughter of William H. and Susan Pettey Dart. The children of the marriage were William D. Sheldon, deceased, and Mrs. Helen Sheldon Potter, who survives him.

WILLIAM WATTS SHERMAN

William Watts Sherman died January 22, 1912, at his home in New York City. He was born in Albany, N. Y., on August 4, 1842, the son of Watts and Sarah Maria (Gibson) Sherman, and was a direct descendant of Roger Sherman, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

While quite young he was sent to school in Scotland and later entered Harrow School in England, where he remained until ready for college, when he went to the University of

Heidelberg. After completing his courses there he returned to America and took up the study of medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, graduating with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. The opportunity offering itself at this time, and his family urging him, he entered his father's well-known banking firm Duncan, Sherman and Company, with which he was connected for many years.

During the latter part of his life Mr. Sherman gradually retired from active business and devoted much of his time to public and philanthropic affairs. He was of a very liberal character and showed broad and sympathetic interest in all classes and conditions of men, being connected with many hospitals, charities and boards of public instruction and control. He was particularly devoted to the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, of which he was president, and also in the management of the House of Refuge, the home for juvenile delinquents on Randall's Island, the Roosevelt Hospital and many others.

Throughout his life he maintained his studious habits, and collected a fine library in many languages, being himself a splendid linguist, speaking, reading and writing fluently in seven languages.

He did not permit his many activities to detract from his family life. With his children he was ever just, kindly and sympathetic. He took a great interest in their education, in the cultivation of their special gifts and in their sports. His love of horses and dogs was a distinguishing characteristic and he was a well-known figure as he drove his coach in the meets of the Coaching Club at Newport. He was also fond of all outdoor sports, especially of tennis.

Few men have ever attracted and held a wider circle of personal friends. Friendship to him meant loyalty and constancy, and he was ever ready to see the best in every one. As a result, his speech and influence invariably carried great weight; and he was not only honored for his uprightness, but admired for his courtly manners and engaging personality.

Mr. Sherman's home in New York was on the southeast

corner of Sixty-fifth Street and Fifth Avenue, overlooking the Park, and not far from the Metropolitan Club, of which he was one of the founders, and in which he took the keenest interest. He was one of the original governors of the Club, and for several years its honorary secretary. He had also been one of the original board of governors of the Knickerbocker Club. In addition he was a member of many clubs and societies in New York, including the Century, City, Racquet and Tennis, Automobile, Riding, St. Nicholas, Sons of the Revolution, Society of the Cincinnati and Colonial Wars. For many years he acted as vestryman of St. James's Church at Madison Avenue and Seventy-first Street, from which his funeral services were conducted.

His business and family interests took him much to Providence, where he belonged to the Hope and University Clubs, and where his wife has always maintained her old family homestead on Benefit Street, for generations the home of the Brown family, which has given its name to Brown University and its liberal support to other public institutions.

Mr. Sherman was a citizen of Rhode Island and a summer resident of Newport. He was for years a very active member of the Representative Council, and took a deep interest in the welfare of the city and its advancement; and was also a governor of the Newport Casino, a member of the Reading Room, vice-president of the Redwood Library, and first vice-president of the Newport Historical Society. He was an original member of the Park Commission of Newport, appointed in 1893, and continued to serve for six years, doing valuable work on that body in improving the parks of the city, planning new drives and contributing liberally to carrying into effect the projects recommended by that body. In 1904 he was chosen one of the Rhode Island presidential electors on the Republican ticket.

Through his great-great-grandfather, Lieutenant-colonel Henry Bicker of the third, tenth, and sixth Pennsylvania Continental Infantry, he traced his membership in the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the Revolution, of which he was

the founder and for a number of years president. He was likewise one of the founders of the Society of Colonial Wars. He was admitted to the Society of the Cincinnati in 1905, as the representative of Lieutenant-colonel Henry Bicker, and was also the great-grandnephew of an original member of the Rhode Island State Society, Lieutenant Henry Shearman of the First Regiment Rhode Island Continental Infantry. Mr. Sherman signalized his membership in the Cincinnati by proposing and promoting the selection of a new air to the words of the National hymn "America," which had hitherto been sung at the meetings of the Society to the tune of "God Save the King." Animated by a lively sense of this impropriety, he wrought the change which has been followed by patriotic societies and public schools all over the country, and has been adopted by the apprentice seamen of the Naval Training School in Newport.

Mr. Sherman's first wife was Annie Derby Rogers Wetmore, daughter of William Shepard Wetmore, and sister of Senator George Peabody Wetmore of Rhode Island, and through this marriage is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Harold Brown and Mrs. Norrie Sellar. His second wife, who survives him, was Sophia Augusta Brown, daughter of John Carter Brown of Providence, and through this marriage he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Lewis Gillespie and Lady Camoys of England.

JARVIS B. SWAN

Jarvis B. Swan, a life member of this Society, was born in Providence, November 23, 1836. He was educated in the public schools, graduating from the Providence High School in 1853. He soon entered the office of Russell M. Larned on South Water Street, and a few years later established a commission and brokerage business of his own. He died May 13, 1911, after an illness of many years.

ROYAL CHAPIN TAFT

Royal Chapin Taft, the son of Orsmus and Margaret (Smith) Taft, was born at Northbridge, Mass., February 14, 1823. He was a descendant in the seventh generation of Robert Taft, who was one of the first settlers of Mendon, Mass., and was also the ancestor of President Taft. Jacob Taft, the grandfather of Royal C. Taft, served at Lexington and was a sergeant in the battle of Bunker Hill.

Royal C. Taft attended the country schools in Uxbridge, and was fitted for a business career in Worcester Academy. In 1844 he came to Providence as clerk in the office of Royal Chapin, and five years later he became a member of the firm known as Royal Chapin and Company engaged in dealing in wool and in woolen manufacturing.

October 31, 1850, he married Mary Frances Armington of Pittsford, Vt. In 1851 he formed a copartnership with S. Standish Bradford of Pawtucket, under the firm name of Bradford and Taft, subsequently Bradford, Taft and Company, then Taft, Weeden and Company, when William B. Weeden became a member. They carried on woolen manufacturing in the Weybosset Mills in Olneyville. Ill health caused Mr. Taft to retire a while from active business, but, upon recovery, he resumed his business career. Upon the death of Henry W. Gardner, he bought his stock in the Coventry Company and became the treasurer of the Bernon Company with mills at Georgiaville, and president of the Quinebaug Company whose mills were at Brooklyn, Conn.

He was a trustee of the Butler Hospital 1866-1908, when he retired and was succeeded by his son, Royal. In 1874 he was elected treasurer of the Rhode Island Hospital, serving until 1887 when he became its president.

In 1872 he was elected a director of the Providence Gas Company, and in 1893, its president. He was re-elected president annually until he declined to serve.

In 1889 he was elected governor of Rhode Island. He served one year and then declined a renomination. His other

public services were as a member of the City Council of Providence, in 1855-56; as a member of the House of Representatives, from the city of Providence; and as commissioner from Rhode Island to the Centennial Exposition of 1876.

In 1891 he received the honorary degree of A.M. from Brown University. He had a cultivated taste for the fine arts, and made a collection of engravings and etchings. The same tastes led him to successful cultivation of orchids and other rare plants.

He was the author of "Some Notes on the Introduction of Woolen Manufactures in the United States," a work referred to in histories of the tariff.

Other positions of honor and responsibility that he filled were those of director and president of the Providence Athenæum; director and first vice-president of the Providence Institution for Savings; director of the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company, the Boston and Providence Railroad Company, and the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company; and as trustee of various private estates.

Upon his retirement from the office of vice-president of the Providence Institution for Savings in 1903, the board of directors paid him a tribute by a resolution of which the following is a part:

"Governor Taft's services to this great charity have been long. Elected a director in 1866, he was made a member of the standing committee in 1870 and was elected a vice-president in 1872. For thirty-three years we have had the benefit of his sound judgment, his vast and varied experience and his consecration of time and talents to the service of those who belong to the great family of human beings that need the guardianship of men whom the Creator has endowed with the gifts of knowledge and the disposition of benevolence."

He died in Providence, June 4, 1912, being survived by his

children, Mary E., the wife of George M. Smith, Abby F. Taft, Robert W. Taft and Royal C. Taft, Jr.

REV. SAMUEL HEBER WEBB

Rev. Samuel Heber Webb died at his home in Providence, February 16, 1912, in his seventy-seventh year, after an illness of three weeks. He was born in Bellows Falls, Vt., and received his early education in the schools of that town. When still quite young his parents removed to Pawtucket. Feeling himself called to religious work he served as lay-reader in several Episcopal churches in this state from 1858 until 1864, when he was ordained to the Christian ministry in Pawtucket. After supplying several pulpits he became rector of Christ Church, South Providence, in 1867, and filled the position with marked success until 1902, when he was made rector emeritus. He was deeply interested in the work and progress of his denomination, establishing several local missions, and served as secretary of the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention, and dean of the Providence Convention for thirty years. He was also officially connected with several charitable and benevolent organizations. He was chaplain of the Dexter Asylum for many years, and of the First Light Infantry and the Veteran Association. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, and of other societies and fraternal orders. For twelve years he represented the Sixth Ward on the school committee, and was a regular visitor at the Rhode Island Hospital for more than forty years. His life was one of wide activity and great usefulness.

He became a member of this Society in 1890, and was warmly devoted to its prosperity.

In 1860 he married Miss Persis A. Follett, daughter of Anson Follett of Cumberland, who was his companion and helper for forty-seven years. Three children were born to them, George H. Webb, secretary of the Board of Trade, Mrs. Fred M. Rhodes and Miss Olive S. Webb.

WILLIAM BABCOCK WEEDEN

William Babcock Weeden, a Civil War soldier, a successful manufacturer, a prominent citizen, and an author of considerable note, died March 28, 1912, at his home on Waterman Street, having been stricken by paralysis two days before. He was in his seventy-eighth year. He was the son of John Edward Weeden and Eliza (Cross) Weeden, and was born in Bristol, September 1, 1834, where his parents were on a visit from their home in Westerly. He was educated in the schools in Westerly, and in 1847 entered Brown University, which he left three years later to enter business. In 1875 the honorary degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him. He manifested a lifelong interest in the University, and was a frequent and generous contributor to its funds.

His first business connection was with Bradford and Taft, wool merchants on Exchange Place. The firm was dissolved, and the business was continued under the name of Taft, Weeden and Company. He responded to President Lincoln's call for troops in June, 1861, and was appointed first lieutenant of Battery A, First Regiment, Rhode Island Light Artillery. He was promoted to the rank of captain after the battle of Bull Run, and was ordered home to recruit Battery C in the same regiment. He went to the front with his new command August 25. He was soon ordered to relieve Brigadier-general Griffin as chief of artillery and ordnance of the First Division, Fifth Corps, and while holding this responsible position he directed the massed batteries at Mechanicsville, Gaines Mill and Malvern Hill. He was also a commanding officer at the siege of Yorktown and the battle of Hanover Court House, but he never was accorded the title belonging to his rank. He resigned his commission July 21, 1862, and was honorably discharged.

He re-entered the same business connection, but in 1864 organized the Weybosset Mills, which continued until purchased by the American Woolen Company. In 1902 he terminated his career as a manufacturer, and after that time had no busi-

ness interests in the city except in banks with which he was prominently connected. He was, however, interested in the Texas Brewing Company at Fort Worth, Texas, of which one of his sons was vice-president.

His work as an author was along economic and historic lines. His principal publications were "Morality of Prohibitory Liquor Laws," 1875; "Social Law of Labor," 1882; "Economic and Social History of New England," 1890; "War Government — Federal and State," 1906; and "Early Rhode Island," 1910.

He was a member of the Examiner Club of Boston, American Antiquarian Society of Worcester, Authors Club of New York, Massachusetts Historical Society, Massachusetts Commandery of the Legion of Honor and the University Club of Providence. Though always deeply interested in public affairs, he held public office but once; viz., as a member of the Providence Common Council, 1882-83. He was president of the Rhode Island Alpha of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, 1889-91. He became a member of this Society in 1868.

His first wife was Amy Dexter Owen. She died leaving no children. His second wife was Hannah Raymer Balch, who bore to him seven children, of whom six survive. Miss Mary Bailey Weeden died at the age of nineteen. John Edward Weeden resides in Fort Worth, Texas. William Wager Weeden, a twin brother, Mrs. Samuel Slater Durfee, Raymer Balch Weeden, James V. Weeden and Mrs. Nathaniel W. Smith reside in Providence. Upon the death of his second wife, he married Miss Jeanie Lippitt, who also survives him.

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LIST OF THE SOCIETY'S PUBLICATIONS

The publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society may conveniently be divided into two classes, occasional and serial.

A. OCCASIONAL.

The charter, constitution and circular of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Incorporated June, A. D. 1822. Providence, printed by Jones & Wheeler, at the Patriot office. 8vo. 8 pages.

The title-page bears the pencilled note: "Aug., 1822."

Circular [of the Rhode Island Historical Society]. [Providence.]

Reprinted on pages 54-55 of the Proceedings for 1882-3.

The original was issued September 3, 1822, and is given the same title as the preceding item in the Report of the American Historical Association for 1905, page 884. No specimen is now known to exist.

Annual report of the Board of Trustees of the Rhode Island Historical Society, submitted at the meeting held July 19, 1836. [Providence, 1836.] 8vo. 8 pages.

Ascribed to William G. Goddard.

Annual report of the Board of Trustees of the Rhode Island Historical Society submitted at the meeting held July 19, 1836. [Providence, 1839.] 8vo. 8 pages.

Ascribed to William G. Goddard.

Address delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society at the opening of the Cabinet, on Wednesday, Nov. 20, 1844. By William Gammell, Professor of Rhetoric in Brown University. Providence, B. Cranston & Company, 1844. 8vo. 30 pages.

Printed by request of the Society.

A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of Wednesday, January 13, 1847. By Hon. Job Durfee, Chief Justice of Rhode Island. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, Charles Burnett, Jr., 1847. 8vo. 32 pages.

A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of Wednesday, January 13, 1847. By Hon. Job Durfee, Chief Justice of Rhode Island. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, Charles Burnett, Jr., 1847. 8vo. 42 pages.

Poem by Sarah Helen Whitman, 5 pages, added.

Poem by Sarah Helen Whitman. Recited before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of January 13, 1847; previous to the delivery of Judge Durfee's discourse. 8vo. 5 pages.

Published with a second edition of Judge Durfee's discourse, q. v.

A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of Tuesday, January 18th, 1848, on the character and writings of Chief Justice Durfee. By Rowland G. Hazard, Member of the R. I. Historical Society. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, Charles Burnett, Jr., 1848. 8vo. 45 pages.

A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of Thursday, February 1, 1849, by George Washington Greene, Cabinet Keeper of the Northern District, Hon. Memb. of the N. Y. H. S. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, Gladding and Proud, 1849. 8vo. 22[+1] pages.

An address delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of February nineteenth, 1851. By Elisha R. Potter, Member of the Society. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, George H. Whitney, 1851. 8vo. 27 pages.

Pages 25 to 27 contain "Constitution" of the Society, adopted in 1848, and "Circular." This was reprinted in 1875.

The spirit of Rhode Island History. A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of Monday January 17, 1853. By Hon. Samuel Greene Arnold, Lieut. Governor of Rhode Island. Providence, George H. Whitney, 1853. 8vo. 32 pages.

Printed by request of the Society.

Battle of Lake Erie. A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of Monday, February 16, 1852. By Usher Parsons. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, Benjamin T. Albro, Printer, 1853. 8vo. 36 pages.

—————. 2nd edition. Providence, 1854. 8vo. 36 pages.

A discourse delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society, February 6, 1855. On the Life and Times of John Howland, late President of the Society. By Edward B. Hall, D. D. Providence, George H. Whitney, 1855. 8vo. 36 pages.

Printed for the Society.

Indian names of places in Rhode Island: collected by Usher Parsons, M. D., for the R. I. Historical Society. Providence, Knowles, Anthony & Co., Printers, 1861. 8vo. 32 pages.

The invasion of Canada in 1775: including the Journal of Captain Simeon Thayer, describing the perils and sufferings of the army under Colonel Benedict Arnold, in its march through the wilderness to Quebec: with notes and appendix. By Edwin Martin Stone. Provi-

dence: Knowles, Anthony & Co., Printers, 1867. 8vo. xxiv+104 pages. Portrait. Maps. *Reprinted from the Rhode Island Historical Society Collections, volume VI.*

Greene-Staples-Parsons. An address delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society on the evening of June 1st, 1869, by Samuel G. Arnold, President of the Society. Published by request of the Society. Providence, Hammond, Angell & Co., Printers, 1869. 8vo. 22 pages.

This is an obituary address on Judge Albert Gorton Greene, Judge William Read Staples, and Dr. Usher Parsons.

Constitution of the Rhode Island Historical Society, adopted December 20, 1870. Providence: Providence Press Company, Printers, 1871. 16mo. 12 pages.

Roger Williams, the Prophetic Legislator, a paper read before the Rhode Island Historical Society, November 8, 1871. By Thomas T. Stone. Printed by request of the R. I. Historical Society. Providence, A. Crawford Greene, Printer to the State, 1872. 8vo. 16 pages.

A half century memorial. An address delivered before the Rhode Island Historical Society at its fiftieth anniversary, July 19, 1872, by Zachariah Allen, and a poem delivered on the same occasion by Henry C. Whitaker; together with other proceedings. Providence, Providence Press Company, Printers to the State, 1873. 8vo. 48 pages.

Necrology of the Rhode Island Historical Society. [Providence, 1874.] 8vo. 8 pages.

Notices of Henry Bernadin Drowne and William Drowne. Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Society, 1873-4.

Manual of Education: A Brief History of the Rhode Island Institution of Instruction, including a synopsis of annual and other meetings, list of officers and members, together with the constitution and charter, by Edwin Martin Stone. Providence, Providence Press Company, Printers, 1874. 8vo. 144 pages.

Reprinted from Proceedings of Rhode Island Historical Society. on the evening of February nineteenth, 1851. By Elisha R. Potter, Member of the Society. Published at the request of the Society. Providence, George H. Whitney, 1851. [Reprinted, 1875.] 8vo. 24 pages.

An Answer to a letter sent from Mr. Coddington of Rhode-Island, to Governour Leveret of Boston in what concerns R. W. of Providence. Boston. Printed by *John Foster*, [between 1678 and 1680]. [Providence, 1876] 8vo. 9+1 pages. *Reprinted from Proceedings of Rhode Island Historical Society.*

Charter of the Rhode Island Historical Society and Constitution as adopted April 2, 1878. Providence: Angell, Hammett & Co., Printers, 1878. 12mo. 12 pages.

This "Charter" bears the imprint "Angell, Hammett & Co., Printers," on the title page, but on the cover the imprint "Akerman & Co."

[Petition of Rhode Island Historical Society] To the Honorable Senators and Representatives in General Assembly. [Providence, 1878.] [4] pages.

No copy in the Rhode Island Historical Society Library. A copy in the Brown University Library.

Report of the Librarian and Cabinet Keeper, Northern Department, of the Rhode Island Historical Society, 1877-8. Edwin Martin Stone, Librarian. [Providence, 1878.] 8vo. 45 pages.

[List No. 1.] Books wanted for the Library of the Rhode Island Historical Society. [Providence, 1880.] [4] pages.

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List No. 2. Books wanted for the Library of the Rhode Island Historical Society. August, 1880. [Providence, 1880.] [4] pages.

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List No. 3 of books wanted for the Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, March, 1881. [4] pages.

Canonicus Memorial. Services of Dedication, under the auspices of the Rhode Island Historical Society. September 21, 1883. Providence, Providence Press Company, Printers, 1883. 8vo. 31 pages.

Catalogue of books obtained by the Rhode Island Historical Society from the sale of the library of the late Joseph J. Cooke, March-December, 1883. Providence, Kellogg Printing Co., 5 Washington Row, 1884. 8vo. 36 pages.

Report on the Settlement of Warwick, 1642, and the Seal of the Rhode Island Historical Society. By William D. Ely, Chairman. Reprinted from Proceedings of the Society. Providence [1887-8]. sm. 8vo. 38 pages.

Early Voyages to America. A paper read before the Rhode Island Historical Society by James Phinney Baxter, A. M. Providence, printed for the Society, 1889. 8vo. 49 pages.

Rhode Island Historical Society. Sketch of its history with list of papers read at its stated meetings. Providence, printed for the Society by Snow & Farnham, 1890. 8vo. 37 pages. Reprinted from Proceedings of the Society. 1889-90.

This pamphlet contains a list of the papers read before the Society. Many of these papers were never published, some were privately printed, and some that were read at other institutions were published by those institutions. In the list no mention is made of any of the Society's publications except papers.

Discourse before the Rhode Island Historical Society at its centennial celebration of Rhode Island's adoption of the Federal Constitution, in Providence, R. I., May 29, 1890, by Horatio Rogers, President of the Society, together with other proceedings on that occasion. Published by the Society. [Providence], The Providence Press, Snow & Farnham, Printers, 37 Custom House Street, 1890. 8vo. 44 pages.

The Library and Cabinet of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Their origin and leading features, together with a classified summary of their contents. By Amos Perry, Librarian and Cabinet Keeper. Providence, printed for the Society by Snow & Farnham, 1892. 8vo. 24 pages. Reprinted from Proceedings of the Society. 1891-92.

Moses Brown : His Life and Services. A sketch read before the Rhode Island Historical Society October 18, 1892. By Augustine Jones, LL. B., Principal of Friends' School. Printed by authority of the Society. Providence, The Rhode Island Printing Company, MDCCCLXXXII. 8vo. 47 pages.

Charter and By-Laws of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Revised April 5, 1892. Providence, printed for the Society by Snow & Farnham, 1892. 8vo. 19 pages.

Report of the Librarian and Cabinet Keeper of the Rhode Island Historical Society. 1893. For the year 1892. [Providence, 1893.] 8vo. 24 pages.

Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Society.

Papers from the Historical Seminary of Brown University, edited by J. Franklin Jameson, Ph. D., Professor of History, I. The Development of the Nominating Convention in Rhode Island. By Neil Andrews, Jr. Reprinted from the Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Providence, R. I., 1894. 8vo. 14 pages.

No copy in the Rhode Island Historical Society Library. A Copy in the Brown University Library.

Papers from the Historical Seminary of Brown University, edited by J. Franklin Jameson, Ph. D., Professor of History, II. Early History of the Colonial Post Office. By Mary E. Woolley. Reprinted from the Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Providence, R. I., 1894. 8vo. 33 pages.

No copy in the Rhode Island Historical Society Library. A Copy in the Brown University Library.

Papers from the Historical Seminary of Brown University, edited by J. Franklin Jameson, Ph. D., Professor of History, III. Know-Nothingism in Rhode Island. By Charles Stickney, A. B. Reprinted from the Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Providence, R. I., 1894. 8vo. 17 pages.

Report of the Librarian and Cabinet Keeper for the year 1893. [Providence, 1893.] 8vo. 18 pages.

Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Society.

John Checkley's Proposed Parish of Montalto in Smithfield. By Fred A. Arnold. Providence, 1897. 4to. 10 pages. illust. Reprinted from the Rhode Island Historical Society Quarterly.

Memorial of Amos Perry. Obituary sketch by Clarence S. Brigham. Proceedings of Memorial Meeting, October 3, 1899. Printed for the Rhode Island Historical Society. Boston, Press of David Clapp & Son, 1900. [Reprinted from the New-England Historical and Genealogical Register, July, 1900.] 8vo. 16 pages. port.

Papers of William Vernon and the navy board, 1776-1794. Reprinted from the Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society, vol. VIII, no. 4, January, 1901. Providence, Snow & Farnham, Printers, 1901. 8vo. 81 pages.

The Early Records of the Town of Portsmouth, edited in accordance with a resolution of the General Assembly by the Librarian of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Providence, R. I., E. L. Freeman & Sons, State Printers, 1901. 8vo. 462 pages. illust.

Seventeenth century place names of Providence Plantations, 1639-1700; compiled by Clarence S. Brigham, Librarian of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Providence, 1903. 8vo. 28 pages. Folding map. Reprinted from the Collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society, vol. 10.

Robert Feke, the Early Newport Portrait Painter, and the Beginning of Colonial Painting. By William Carey Poland, Litt. D. Providence, 1907. Reprinted from the Proceedings of the Historical Society. 8vo. 26 pages.

[Count Rochambeau memorial tablet program. Providence, 1907, July 29]. 8vo. [3] pages. illust.

Rhode Island Historical Society. George Moulton Carpenter Memorial. [Providence, 1908.] 8vo. 4 pages.

Rhode Island Historical Society. Incorporated 1822. [Providence, 1910.] 12mo. 14 pages.

A sketch of its history.

Points of historical interest in the State of Rhode Island, prepared with the co-operation of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Department of Education, State of Rhode Island, 1911. Rhode Island Education Circulars, Historical Series V. 8vo. 84 pages. illust.

Rhode Island Historical Cabinet. Providence, n. d. 2 plates.
28 x 36 cm.

No copy in the Rhode Island Historical Society Library. A copy in the Brown University Library.

B. SERIAL.

Collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Vols. 1 to 10. Providence, 1827-1902.

Vol. I. Containing Roger Williams' Key to the Indian Language. Providence, printed by John Miller, 1827. 8vo. 163 pages. table. facsim.

Reproduced title page.

Vol. II. Providence, Marshall, Brown & Company. MDCCCXXXV. 8vo. 278 pages.

Contains "Simplicity's Defence against Seven Headed Policy by Samuel Gorton," with notes, etc., by William R. Staples. Reproduced title page.

Vol. III. Providence, Marshall, Brown & Company, MDCCCXXXV. 8vo. xix+ [1+]315[+1] pages.

Contains "The Early History of Narragansett, with an appendix of original documents, many of which are now for the first time published. By Elisha R. Potter, Jr., Member of R. I. Historical Society."

See also second edition, 1886.

Vol. IV. Providence: Knowles, Vose & Company, Printers, MDCCCXXXVIII. 8vo. 270[+2] pages.

Contains "An Historical Discourse," by John Callender, 1739, with notes by Romeo Elton.

Vol. V. Providence, Knowles & Vose, Printers, 1843. 8vo. vi[3+] [10-670] pages.

Being "Annals of the Town of Providence," by William R. Staples.

Vol. VI. Providence, Hammond, Angell & Co., Printers, 1867. 8vo. [4+]xxiv+380 pages.

Contains the Journal of Capt. Simeon Thayer, with notes by Ed. M. Stone, Revolutionary Correspondence, and Rev. Morgan Edwards' History of the Baptists.

Vol. VII. Providence, Kellogg Printing Company, 1885. 8vo. 380 pages.

Contains: 1. Early Attempts at Rhode Island History, comprising those of Stephen Hopkins and Theodore Foster; appendix; and life of Theodore Foster. By Wm. E. Foster.

2. The Narragansetts. By Henry C. Dorr.

3. Early Votaries of Natural Science in Rhode Island. By Charles W. Parsons, M. D.

4. The First Commencement of Rhode Island College. By Reuben A. Guild.

5. The British Fleet in Rhode Island. By George C. Mason.

6. Nicholas Easton vs. the City of Newport. By George C. Mason.

Vol. III. Providence, Marshall, Brown & Company, MDCCCXXXV. 8vo. xix[1+]423 pages.

Contains "*The Early History of Narragansett, with an appendix of original documents, many of which are now for the first time published, by Elisha R. Potter, Jr., Member of R. I. Historical Society.*"

This second edition was published in 1886 by William H. Potter, brother of Elisha R. Potter, Jr. Pages 1 to 315 are a reprint of the first edition. Pages 317 to 423 are additional notes. The title pages of the two editions are identical. The edition of 1886 has a paper label printed "2nd edition" stuck on the back of the book.

Vol. VIII. The Diary of John Comer. Edited with notes by C. Edwin Barrows, D. D., late Pastor of First Baptist Church, Newport, R. I., with an introduction and a few additional notes by James W. Willmarth, D. D., LL. D., Pastor of Roxborough Baptist Church, Philadelphia. Published for the Society, 1893. 8vo. 132 pages.

Vol. IX. Providence, Rhode Island, 1897. 8vo. 141 pages.

Being "The Proprietors of Providence and their controversies with the frecholders, by Henry C. Dorr."

Vol. X. Providence, printed for the Society, 1902. 8vo. 410 pages. Map.

Being the Harris Papers, with an introduction by Irving B. Richman and a calendar and notes by Clarence S. Brigham.

Proceedings of the Rhode Island Historical Society. 1872 to 1891-92; 1900-01 to 1910-11. Providence, printed for the Society, 1872-92 to 1902-11. port. facsim. 8vo.

The Proceedings for 1892-93 to 1899-1900 were issued in the Society's Publications, 1893 to 1900, forming the first quarterly number of each volume.

The proceedings, reports, and a list of members are given in each volume.

1872. (1871-2.) Providence, 1872. 38 pages.

1872-3. Providence, 1873. 144 pages.

Contains an account of the semi-centennial celebration of the Rhode Island Historical Society.

1873-4. Providence, 1874. 216 pages.

Contains "History of R. I. Institute of Instruction."

1874-5. Providence, 1875. 95 pages.

1875-6. Providence, 1876. 62 pages.

Contains sketches of James Burrill, Gov. William Jones, Dr. Peter Turner, and Gov. Samuel Ward; an account of the ancient Town Councils of Providence; Reminiscences of Rhode Island Lawyers; and a reprint of Roger Williams' "An Answer to a letter sent from Mr. Coddington, etc."

- 1876-7. Providence, 1877. 91 pages.
Contains "Nicholas Easton vs. City of Newport"; "History of Block Island"; "Frigate Providence"; "Wampanoag Indians"; and "Providence Marine Society."
- 1877-8. Providence, 1878. 119 pages.
- 1878-9. Providence, 1879. 107 pages.
Contains Coast and Harbors of R. I.
- 1879-80. Providence, 1880. 155 pages.
Contains Native Indians in America.
- 1880-81. Providence, 1881. 65 pages.
- 1881-82. Providence, 1882. 72 pages.
- 1882-3. Providence, 1883. 63 pages.
- 1883-4. Providence, 1884. 91 pages.
Contains "Letter of Roger Williams."
- 1884-5. Providence, 1885. 77 pages.
- 1885-6. Providence, 1886. 98 pages.
Contains "Huguenot Influence in Rhode Island."
- 1886-7. Providence, 1887. 90 pages.
Contains "Date of Banishment of Roger Williams"; "Town Names in Rhode Island."
- 1887-8. Providence, 1888. 115 pages.
Contains an account of the settlement of Warwick and the Seal of the Society.
- 1888-9. Providence, 1889. 72 pages.
- 1889-90. Providence, 1890. 126 pages.
Contains a sketch of the Society and a list of papers read at its meetings.
- 1890-91. Providence, 1891. 122 pages.
Contains "Indian Names in Rhode Island" and "Gaspee Documents."
- 1891-92. Providence, 1892. 124 pages.
Contains a sketch of Library of the Society.
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- 1900-01. Providence, 1902. 75 pages.
- 1901-02. Providence, 1902. 92 pages.
Contains a report on the art gallery of the Society.
- 1902-03. Providence, 1903. 76 pages.
- 1903-04. Providence, 1904. 77 pages.
- 1904-05. Providence, 1907. 108 pages.
Contains an account of Robert Feke.
- 1905-06. Providence, 1908. 78 pages.
- 1906-07. Providence, 1909. 75 pages.
Contains references to the marking of historic sites, p. 22. (See also 1907-8, p. 17.)

1907-8. Providence, 1910. 86 pages.
Contains a list of Colonial Relics on exhibition.

1908-9. Providence, 1910. 68 pages.

1909-10. Providence, 1910. 65 pages.

1910-11. Providence, 1911. 55 pages.

Contains a sketch of the Society's history.

1910-12. Providence, 1913. 92 pages.

Contains a list of the Society's publications and a list of current Rhode Island newspapers and periodicals.

Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society. New Series, vols. 1-8; April, 1893-January, 1901. [Quarterly.] Providence, The Society, 1893-1901. 8 vols. plates. ports. facsims. 8 vo.

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- CRANSTON
Cranston City Times [Weekly]
- EAST GREENWICH
Bulletin of the East Greenwich
Academy [Quarterly]
Rhode Island Pendulum [Weekly]
- EAST PROVIDENCE
Rhode Islander [Weekly]
- HOPKINTON
Hope Valley Advertiser [Weekly]
- NEWPORT
Bulletin of the Newport Historical
Society [Quarterly]
Newport Herald [Daily]
Newport Journal and Weekly
News
Newport Mercury [Weekly]
Newport Daily News
- NORTH KINGSTOWN
Wickford Standard [Weekly]
- JAMESTOWN
Electric Spark [Monthly]
- JOHNSTON
Olneyville Times [Weekly]
- PAWTUCKET
Accessory and Garage Journal
[Monthly]
Automobile Journal [Semi-monthly]
- Pawtucket Gazette and Chronicle
[Weekly]
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Motor Truck [Monthly]
Evening Times [Daily]
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- PROVIDENCE
Advance [Weekly]
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Brown Alumni Monthly
Brown Daily Herald
Brunonian [Monthly]
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School of Design [Quarterly]
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[Semi-monthly]
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L'Eco del Rhode Island [Weekly]
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- Park Museum Bulletin [Bi-monthly]
- Pentacostal Christian [Monthly]
- Providence Daily Journal
- Providence Medical Journal [Bi-monthly]
- Quarterly Bulletin of the Providence Public Library
- Puritan Record [Monthly]
- Real Estate Register and Rental Guide [Weekly]
- Rhode Island Historical Society News Sheet [Quarterly]
- Sepiad [Monthly]
- Evening Tribune [Daily]
- Union Worker Magazine [Monthly]
- Providence Visitor [Weekly]
- SOUTH KINGSTOWN
Narragansett Times [Weekly]
- WARREN
Warren and Barrington Gazette [Weekly]
- WARWICK
Pawtuxet Valley Times [Daily]
Rhode Island Issue [Monthly]
- WESTERLY
Seaside Topics [Weekly]
Westerly Daily Sun
Westerly Times [Weekly]
- WOONSOCKET
Evening Call [Daily]
Le Progrès [Weekly]
La Tribune [Daily]
Union [Monthly]

MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY

JANUARY, 1911 TO JANUARY, 1913

HONORARY MEMBERS

ELECTED.

1888.	James Burrill Angell,
1895.	Charles Francis Adams,
1898.	James Phinney Baxter,
1902.	John Franklin Jameson,
1902.	Elisha Benjamin Andrews,
1902.	Oscar Solomon Straus,
1904.	Irving Berdine Richman,

RESIDENCE.

Ann Arbor, Mich.
Boston, Mass.
Portland, Me.
Washington, D. C.
Lincoln, Neb.
New York, N. Y.
Muscatine, Iowa.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

ELECTED.

1859.	Samuel Coffin Eastman,
1867.	Samuel Abbott Green,
1867.	Frederic Augustus Holden,
1870.	Samuel Arnold Briggs,
1875.	Percy Daniels,
1875.	C. Mason Kinnie,
1878.	Asa Bird Gardiner,
1878.	Robert Alonzo Brock,
1879.	Ray Greene Huling,
1880.	James Grant Wilson,
1882.	Leander Cornelius Manchester,
1882.	Charles Henry Dart,
1883.	Stephen Denison Peet,
1884.	Abner Cheney Goodell,
1884.	Adolphus Skinner Hubbard,
1885.	Peter Butler Olney,

RESIDENCE.

Concord, N. H.
Boston, Mass.
Hyattsville, Md.
Chicago, Ill.
Edmond, Okla.
San Francisco, Cal.
New York, N. Y.
Richmond, Va.
Cambridge, Mass.
New York, N. Y.
Wollaston, Mass.
Philadelphia, Pa.
Chicago, Ill.
Salem, Mass.
San Francisco, Cal.
New York, N. Y.

ELECTED.

1885.	Richard Olney,	Boston, Mass.
1885.	William Augustus Mowry,	Hyde Park, Mass.
1887.	George Alfred Raikes,	London, England.
1890.	Franklin Pierce Rice,	Worcester, Mass.
1890.	William Harden,	Savannah, Ga.
1891.	Henry Fitz Gilbert Waters,	Salem, Mass.
1891.	Isaac Pitman Noyes,	Washington, D. C.
1892.	Henry Herbert Edes,	Boston, Mass.
1893.	Clarence Winthrop Bowen,	New York, N. Y.
1893.	Alfred Manchester,	Salem, Mass.
1895.	David Fisher,	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1897.	William Ashmead Courtenay,	Newry, S. C.
1898.	Henry Sweetser Burrage,	Togus, Me.
1899.	William Copley Winslow,	Boston, Mass.
1902.	Charles Howard Shinn,	Northfork, Cal.
1910.	Vicente G. Quesada,	Buenos Aires.
1910.	Ernesto Quesada,	Buenos Aires.

RESIDENCE.

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*Life Members

ELECTED.

1907.	Abbot, Charles Wheaton, Jr.
1911.	Adams, Benjamin B.
1897.	Addeman, Joshua Melancthon
1911.	Aldred, Frederick William
1911.	Aldrich, Edward Kimball, Jr.
1874.	Aldrich, Nelson Wilmarth
1905.	Aldrich, William Fosdick
1911.	Alger, John Lincoln
1911.	Allen, Francis Otis
1909.	Allen, Frederick William
1912.	Allen, Philip
1911.	*Ames, Abby Greene Harris

ELECTED.

1875.	*Ames, William
1907.	Angell, Jesse Healey
1893.	Angell, Walter Foster
1908.	Anthony, Albert Lee
1897.	Anthony, Edwin Perkins
1911.	Armour, William
1903.	Arnold, Caroline Frances
1911.	Arnold, Christopher Bentley
1894.	Arnold, Fred Augustus
1889.	Arnold, Frederick William
1889.	Arnold, Newton Darling
1877.	Arnold, Stephen Harris
1881.	*Austin, John Osborne

ELECTED.

1911. Austin, Leonard N.
 1902. Avery, Morris H.
 1901. Baker, Albert Allison
 1901. Baker, Esther Hinckley
 1903. *Baker, George Towne
 1898. Baker, William Cotter
 1912. Balch, Mary Howard
 1890. Ballou, William Herbert
 1908. Barker, Henry Ames
 1909. Barnes, Harry Lee
 1911. Barney, Walter Hammond
 1902. Barrows, Arthur Channing
 1911. Barrows, Chester Willard
 1911. Barton, Nathan Bowen
 1899. Bates, Frank Greene
 1883. Bates, Isaac Comstock
 1908. Bates, Louise Prosser
 1894. Bates, William Lincoln
 1898. Beach, Charles Horace
 1912. Beckwith, Daniel
 1911. Beekman, Robert Livingston
 1912. Belcher, Horace Greeley
 1909. Bennett, Mark Newton
 1911. Binney, Josephine Angier
 1911. Binney, William, Jr.
 1912. Blacklock, Henry
 1901. Blanchard, Edward Richmond
 1903. Blumer, George Alder
 1907. Bosworth, Orrin Luther
 1894. Bourn, Augustus Osborne
 1907. Bowen, Charles Wetter
 1901. Bowen, Henry
 1907. Bowen, Richard Martin
 1901. Brayton, Walter Francis
 1911. Bridgham, Samuel Willard
 1893. Briggs, Benjamin Franklin
 1899. Brigham, Clarence Saunders
 1908. Brigham, Herbert Olin
 1910. Brightman, Eva St. Clair
 1911. Bronson, Walter Cochrane

ELECTED.

1911. Brown, Alice Francis
 1912. *Brown, Clarence Irving
 1904. Brown, Cyrus Perrin
 1883. Brown, D. Russell
 1911. Brown, Frank Hail
 1883. Brown, H. Martin
 1900. Brown, Nathaniel Howland
 1899. Brown, Robert Perkins
 1911. Bucklin, Edward Carrington
 1911. Bucklin, Harris Howard
 1911. Buffum, Clara
 1901. Bugbee, Elizabeth Dorrance
 1896. Bullock, Emma Westcote
 1908. Burchard, Roswell B.
 1905. Burdick, Frank Elisha
 1912. Burgess, Gideon Albert
 1906. Burlingame, Edwin Aylesworth
 1911. Buxton, G. Edward
 1901. Calder, Albert Lawton, 2d
 1859. Calder, George Beckford
 1891. *Callender, Walter
 1905. *Callender, Walter Reid
 1872. Carpenter, Francis Wood
 1910. Carr, Charles Read
 1911. Carr, Frederick Dickman
 1912. Carr, Imogen
 1897. Carrington, Edward
 1899. Carrington, Mary Fessenden
 1907. Carroll, William
 1911. Case, Martha Warren
 1911. Case, Norman Stanley
 1889. Catlin, Charles Albert
 1894. Chace, Henry Richmond
 1888. Chace, James Hervey
 1880. Chace, Jonathan
 1895. *Chaffee, Hattie Budlong
 1912. Chapin, Anna Augusta
 1884. Chapin, Charles Value
 1912. Chapin, Howard Millar

ELECTED.

1892. Chapin, William Waterman
 1880. Chase, Julian A.
 1912. Chase, Ward Beecher
 1912. Chinard, Gilbert
 1887. Claflin, Arthur Whitman
 1909. Clark, Edward Stimson
 1905. Clark, Franklin Chase
 1895. Clark, Harry Clinton
 1911. Coggeshall, Hannah Angell
 1912. Collier, Theodore Freling-
 huysen
 1885. Collins, George Lewis
 1913. Colt, LeBaron B.
 1907. Colt, Samuel Pomeroy
 1911. Comstock, Andrew Bur-
 roughs
 1890. Comstock, Louis Hall
 1886. Comstock, Richard Wil-
 liams
 1911. Comstock, Walter J.
 1912. Conant, Mary Eaton
 1891. Conant, Samuel Morris
 1911. Condon, Randall Judson
 1872. Congdon, Johns Hopkins
 1911. Cranston, Frank Hill
 1912. Cranston, Mary Eliza
 Hammett
 1903. *Cushing, Adoniram Judson
 1906. Dana, Frederick Irving
 1886. *Danielson, John Weaver
 1901. Darling, George Curtis
 1886. Dart, Edward Merrill
 1891. Davis, Henry Richard
 1911. Davol, Charles Joseph
 1887. Day, Albert Clifford
 1894. Day, Frank Leslie
 1894. Day, Henry Gould
 1911. Dearborn, John
 1906. Dennis, Arthur Wellington
 1909. Dexter, Elizabeth B.
 1902. Dexter, George Washington
 1901. Dexter, Henry Clinton

ELECTED.

1912. Diman, Louise
 1911. Dooley, Michael F.
 1901. Doran, John
 1877. Dorrance, Sam'l Richmond
 1882. Douglas, Wm. Wilberforce
 1900. Dowling, Austin
 1911. Doyle, Sarah E.
 1903. Drowne, Frederick Eugene
 1897. Dubois, Edward Church
 1875. Dunnell, William Wanton
 1913. Dyer, H. Anthony
 1908. Dyer, Sarah Elizabeth
 1906. Easton, Frederick Willard
 1872. Eaton, Amasa Mason
 1905. Eddy, William Joseph
 1912. Edwards, Edith
 1904. Edwards, Stephen Ostrom
 1876. *Ely, William
 1911. Emerson, Annie Swan Pierce
 1908. Emerson, Frank Wells
 1907. Estes, William Wood
 1892. Farnsworth, John Prescott
 1900. Faunce, William H. P.
 1908. Feeley, William J.
 1901. Fenner, Herbert Nicholas
 1891. Fifield, Henry Allen
 1890. Fiske, George McClellan
 1893. Flint, Susan Amelia
 1903. Folsom, Herbert Arthur
 1904. Ford, William Henry
 1906. Foster, Charles Samuel
 1905. Foster, Joseph Henry
 1900. Foster, Theodore W.
 1881. Foster, William Eaton
 1903. *Freeman, James Francis
 1906. Freeman, John Ripley
 1897. Freeman, Joseph Wood
 1911. Fuller, Frederic Henry
 1913. Gainer, Joseph H.
 1875. Gammell, Robert Ives
 1884. *Gammell, William
 1889. Gardner, Henry Brayton

ELECTED.

1889. Gardner, Rathbone
 1911. Gleeson, Alice Collins
 1894. Goddard, Elizabeth Cass
 1880. Goddard, Robert Hale Ives
 1911. Gooding, Gertrude
 1883. Goodwin, Daniel
 1907. Gorton, Adelos
 1903. Gorton, George Olney
 1894. Gottschalk, Mary H. B. von
 1893. Granger, William Smith
 1891. Grant, Henry Tyler
 1897. *Green, Theodore Francis
 1893. Greene, Charles William
 1893. Greene, Edward Aborn
 1906. Greene, William Chace
 1877. Greene, William Maxwell
 1912. Gross, Harold J.
 1900. Guild, Georgiana
 1911. Ham, Livingston
 1901. Harris, Robert
 1904. Harrison, George Arnold
 1889. Hart, George Thomas
 1907. Hart, William Octave
 1901. Hayes, Frederic
 1894. *Hazard, Caroline
 1888. Hazard, Rowland Gibson
 1903. Hazard, Samuel Anthony
 1911. Hazard, Thomas George,
 Jr.
 1881. Hersey, George Dallas
 1901. Hodgman, William Lansing
 1907. Holden, George James
 1908. Hoopes, Wilford Laurence
 1897. Hoppin, William Anthony
 1901. Horton, Leonard Wheaton
 1910. Howard, Elisha Harris
 1891. Howe, Mark Antony De-
 Wolfe
 1898. Hoxie, Frederick Jerome
 1882. Hoyt, David Webster
 1911. Hubbard, Charles Augustus
 1901. Humphrey, George

ELECTED.

1901. Hunt, Horatio Allen
 1913. Hurley, Richard A.
 1896. Isham, Norman Morrison
 1906. Jackson, Benjamin Mann
 1882. Jackson, William Francis
 Bennett
 1898. Jenckes, John
 1897. Jepherson, George Arthur
 1901. Kelley, Arthur Livingston
 1902. Kimball, Charles Dean
 1902. Kimball, Sarah Dexter
 1910. King, Eugene Pride
 1907. *King, George Gordon
 1911. King, Henry Irving
 1892. King, Henry Melville
 1884. King, William Dehon
 1897. Knight, Amelia Sumner
 1879. Knight, Edward Balch
 1911. Knowles, Mary Everett
 1894. Koopman, Harry Lyman
 1911. Lapham, Emory Delos
 1901. Lawton, George Robert
 1901. Lee, Thomas Zanslaur
 1911. Leonard, Charles Henry
 1912. Leonard, Grace Fisher
 1911. Lewis, George H.
 1911. Lewis, Joseph West
 1892. Lincoln, Ferdinand Au-
 gustus
 1878. Lippitt, Charles Warren
 1911. Lippitt, Henry Frederick
 1911. Lippitt, Margaret B. F.
 1911. Lisle, Arthur B.
 1911. Littlefield, Charles Winsor
 1898. Littlefield, Nathan Whit-
 man
 1891. Lord, Augustus Mendon
 1910. Luther, Frederick Newton
 1901. Lyman, Richard E.
 1901. MacDonald, William
 1895. McCabe, Anthony
 1911. McDonnell, Mary S. K.

ELECTED.

1911. McDonnell, Thomas F. I.
 1907. Maine, Herbert Ephraim
 1892. Mason, A. Livingston
 1877. Mason, Eugene Waterman
 1896. Mason, Fletcher Stone
 1877. Mason, John Hale
 1911. *Matteson, Frank Wellington
 1883. Meader, Lewis Hamilton
 1901. Metcalf, Harold
 1911. Metcalf, Jesse H.
 1903. *Metcalf, Louisa Dexter
 1911. *Moriarty, George Andrews, Jr.
 1911. Motley, James Marvin
 1901. Mowry, Wendell Axtell
 1911. Mulchahey, Edward Irving
 1906. Mumford, Charles Carney
 1906. Munro, Arthur Earle
 1901. Munro, Walter Lee
 1881. Munro, Wilfred Harold
 1910. Munroe, Addison Pierce
 1911. Newhall, George H.
 1912. Nicholson, Paul Coe
 1894. Nicholson, Samuel Mowry
 1911. *Nickerson, Lyra Brown
 1874. Nightingale, Geo. Corlis
 1897. Nightingale, Geo. Corlis, Jr.
 1894. *Noyes, Charles Phelps
 1879. Olney, George Hopkins
 1911. Packard, Ambrose
 1909. Paddock, Miner Hamlin
 1906. Paige, Henry
 1911. Peacock, Joseph Leishman
 1910. Peck, Elizabeth Andrews
 1912. Peck, Mary R. B.
 1912. Peck, Sarah Cannon
 1910. Peck, Stephen I.
 1899. Peckham, William Mackey
 1903. Peirce, Augustus Richmond
 1910. Peirce, Thomas Arnold
 1905. Perry, Charles Manchester

ELECTED.

1912. Perry, James DeWolf, Jr.
 1913. Perry, Marsden J.
 1907. Philbrick, Charles Horace
 1911. Phillips, Ella R. M.
 1912. Pitman, Stephen Minot
 1899. Poland, William Carey
 1878. Porter, Emory Huntington
 1901. Potter, Dexter Burton
 1887. Preston, Howard Willis
 1911. *Radeke, Eliza R.
 1906. Ranger, Walter Eugene
 1906. Rathbun, Elmer Jeremiah
 1913. Rathom, John Revelstoke
 1902. Rawson, Thomas Brownell
 1906. Reynolds, Walter Nichols
 1909. Rhode Island State College
 1896. Rhodes, Christopher
 1900. Rhodes, William Conrad
 1912. *Rice, Herbert Ambrose
 1911. Richmond, Emma Hepburn
 1898. Rickard, Abbie Smith Weld
 1891. Ripley, James Morrison
 1898. Rivers, Mary
 1911. Robinson, Louis E.
 1911. Rockwell, Charles Bristed
 1895. *Rodman, Robert
 1888. Rogers, Arthur
 1899. Sears, Adeline Harris
 1907. Sharpe, Henry Dexter
 1902. Sharpe, Lucian
 1908. Shaw, Emma Buzzell
 1874. Shedd, Joel Herbert
 1881. Sheffield, William Paine
 1879. Shepley, George Leander
 1906. Sisson, Charles
 1897. Slade, Susan Elizabeth
 1900. Slater, James Stuart
 1902. Smith, Charles Morris
 1907. Smith, Charles William
 1875. Smith, Edwin Augustus
 1901. Smith, Nathaniel Waite
 1907. Smith, Robert Morton

ELECTED.

1897. Smith, Walter Burges
 1913. Spicer, George Thurston
 1913. Spicer, William A.
 1881. Spooner, Henry Joshua
 1888. Stark, Charles Rathbone
 1906. Stearns, Walter Henry
 1903. Stillman, Elisha Coggeshall
 1878. Stiness, John Henry
 1899. Stockwell, George Appleton
 1901. Studley, J. Edward
 1886. Sturges, Howard Okie
 1913. Sturges, Walter Knight
 1907. Sullivan, James Edmund
 1903. Sumner, Arthur Preston
 1908. Swan, Frank Herbert
 1894. Swarts, Gardner Taber
 1902. Sweetland, William Howard
 1901. Taft, Royal Chapin
 1908. Thayer, Gertrude Lucretia
 1881. Thomas, Charles Lloyd
 1901. Thornley, William Henry
 1890. Thornton, George Mumford
 1911. Thresher, Henry Gilbert
 1899. Tillinghast, James
 1898. Tillinghast, William Richmond
 1901. Tingley, Rowena P. B.
 1907. Tingley, Samuel Herbert
 1890. Tower, James Henry
 1908. Tufts, Susan Cotton
 1885. Updike, Daniel Berkeley
 1896. Vincent, Walter B.
 1911. Wall, A. Tingley

ELECTED.

1903. Warner, Clarence MacDonald
 1906. Warren, Charles Henry
 1901. Warren, Joseph Draper
 1901. Waterman, Lewis Anthony
 1911. Watrous, Ralph Collingwood
 1906. Watson, Arthur Hamilton
 1906. Watson, Byron Sprague
 1901. Watson, John Jay, Jr.
 1887. Welling, Richard Ward Greene
 1894. Weston, George Franklin
 1885. *Wetmore, George Peabody
 1896. White, Willis H.
 1903. Whitehouse, John Seiniore
 1892. *Wilbour, Linda Olney
 1903. Wilbour, Victor
 1900. Wilkinson, Anna Reed
 1911. Wilkinson, Elizabeth Kenyon
 1907. Williams, William Frederick
 1901. Wilson, Alfred
 1888. Wilson, George Grafton
 1909. Wing, William Arthur
 1911. Winship, Claire Bliven
 1911. Winship, George Parker
 1897. Woods, John Carter Brown
 1907. Woodward, Elbert Warren
 1912. *Woodward, Sarah Abigail
 1909. Young, Charles Mason

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