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The following proceedings are continued from the October, 1899, number of the Quarterly Collections and Proceedings.

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FORM OF SPECIAL BEQUEST.

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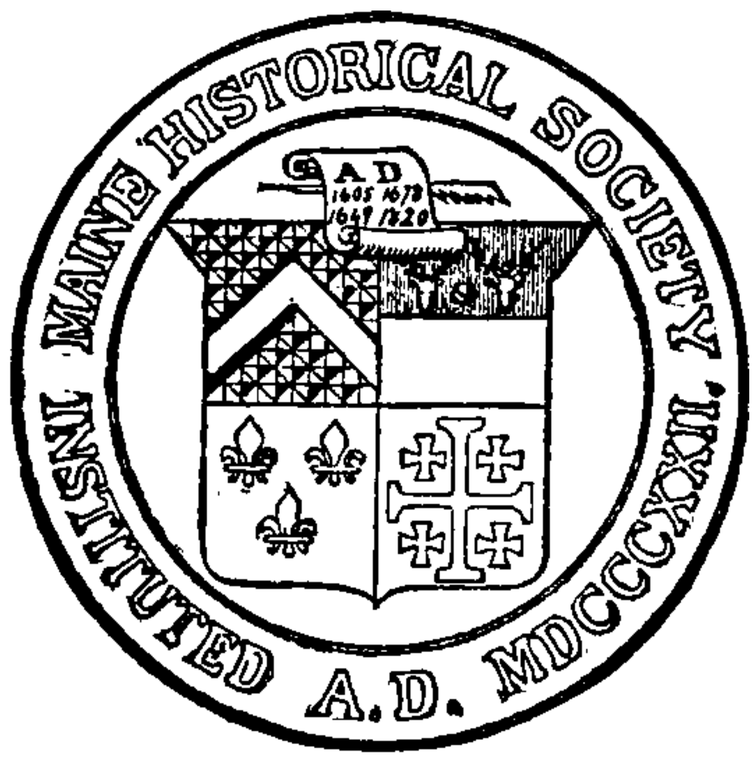

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November 16, 1899.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, at 2.30 P. M., the president, Mr. Baxter, in the chair.

The librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, read his quarterly report of accessions to the library and cabinet as follows:

I beg leave to report the following accessions to the library since the annual meeting in June last:

The life of John Winthrop, Jr., from the Ipswich Historical Society.

Volume 10 of the Suffolk Deeds, from Dr. S. A. Green.

The Shaftesbury Papers of South Carolina, from W. A. Courtenay.

The Pepperell Papers, from the Massachusetts Historical Society.

Pennsylvania at Gettysburg, from Col. J. P. Nicholson.

School is out and a Group of Children, by D. C. Colesworthy, from John Ward Dean.

Twenty-nine miscellaneous volumes, from Cecil Cutts Howard of Arkansas.

A Set of the Minutes of the East Maine Conference, from Rev. C. A. Plummer of Thomaston.

The Hammatt Papers relating to Ipswich, from Rev. A. Caldwell.

The Old Eliot Periodical, from Dr. J. L. M. Willis.

One hundred and fifty miscellaneous documents and reports, from Mrs. John J. Perry.

Greenleaf's Statistical View of Maine, from Miss M. G. Dickinson.

Anti-Imperialist pamphlets, from Edward Atkinson.

Diary of David McClure, from William R. Peters.

Thirty-seven volumes of Government and other publications, from the estate of Henry Fox.

Fifteen volumes of memoirs, biographies, etc., from the estate of Rev. Dr. Charles F. Allen.

Ten Years at Pemaquid, from J. H. Cartland.

Other volumes of interest and value have been added by purchase, as follows:

The Life and Times of Edward Randolph in five volumes, by the Prince Society.

The Life of Hannibal Hamlin.

The Records of Lexington, Massachusetts.

Stiles' Handbook for the Genealogist.

The Soldiers and Sailors of Massachusetts in the Revolution.

The Essex Antiquarian.

The Sargent Family Genealogy.

The Worcester County Warnings.

History of Sumner, Maine.

We acknowledge our indebtedness also to the following for gifts received:

J. H. Drummond, J. T. Hassam, Captain Curtis, Charles E. Nash, J. W. North, Stephen Berry, T. S. Parvin, Professor C. M. Allen, Rev. E. G. Porter, S. P. Mayberry.

The following English County Histories have been added to the library:

Ormerod's History of Chester.

Surtee's History of Durham.

Clatterbuck's History of Hertfordshire.

Palwheles' History of Devonshire.

Morant's History of Essex and Hutchinson's History of Cumberland.

The original design and drawings by R. H. Slack for a stone monument to be erected on Monhegan Island, in memory of the first church services held on that island. Given by Rev. B. F. DeCosta.

Also Dr. DeCosta's original MS. of the voyage into the Sagadahoc. Published by the Massachusetts Historical Society.

Photographs of Deer Isle, from Albert B. Page.

William Allen, author of the History of Norridgewock. His original manuscript, books of records, etc., from his grandson, Prof. Charles M. Allen.

Photographs of Pownalborough Court House, from Charles E. Allen.

Autograph Memorandum by Senator John Holmes, from Noah Brooks.

The Military Order Book of John Rowe, 1783. Given by George M. Moore.

One of the rarest of New England autographs is that of General Joseph Frye. Through the kindness of Edward H. Daveis, Esq., a member of the Society, we have received as a gift from Miss C. M. Parker, of Roxbury, a fine letter written by General Frye, addressed to the Rev. Benjamin Parker of Haverhill, Massachusetts, her great-grandfather. The Rev. Mr. Parker passed a long life at Haverhill as pastor of the Congregational church there. The letter reads as follows:

FRYEBURG, June 9, 1783.

Dear Sir: — After spending nearly twenty years in public life, viz., in camp and court, which gave me the advantage of the company and intimate acquaintance of many of the most sensible gentlemen of this country and many such from Europe, my lot has been to restore and fix myself in this remote place where I am destitute of such company as I wish might have succeeded the former — being now advanced to old age and exercised with such bodily maladies as has much impaired my constitution and rendered me inevitably liable to a disorder, which subjects the mind to such a melancholy gloom as has rendered the life of many a person, even in a state of public and private prosperity, very unhappy.

And if so, what must I feel when musing upon the loss of many sensible friends, some by death and some by the late unhappy war, and seeing, as I believe every observing person does, that that moral rectitude and social affection which rendered mankind blessings to each other are so obliterated that they exist in the breasts of but few, and the amazing debt the war has brought upon us, and no prospect in view of its being paid by any means but such as will bring the greatest part of the people in this country into the utmost distress, and no understanding friend, except Dr. Swan, to afford a word of consolation?

I hope, sir, that neither you nor any other good man may ever know by experience the disagreeable sensation these amusements give me. But through Divine goodness I have been able to strive against those gloomy amusements and succeed so far as to maintain hopes that kind Providence will bring our national affairs to a happier issue than my fears.

And herein I take some comfort, together with exercising my mind on matters I think it my duty to do, and in thinking and believing that you, dear sir, and some others, who, through God's goodness, are continued in life, are assuredly my friends, as I know I am yours and theirs, and I heartily wish it was in my power to see you often, being persuaded I should receive much consolation from your conversation and council with respect to my infirmities.

To conclude, be so kind, (if you have opportunity) as to favor me with a line or two informing me how you have your health, of your sentiments of the times, etc., by which you will oblige him who in the honest sense of the word loves you and wishes your welfare in all respects and is, dear sir, your sincere friend and humble servant,

JOSEPH FRYE.

(Addressed to)
Rev. Mr. Benjamin Parker, Haverhill.
Per Mr. David Swan.

General Frye was born in 1711 and died at Fryeburg in 1794. He was Ensign at the capture of Louisburg in 1745, was Colonel at the taking of Fort William Henry in 1757, and was appointed Brigadier General and Major General in the War of the Revolution.

It will be remembered that the Society held its annual Field Day excursion at Fryeburg a few years since, and that we visited the old homestead of General Frye.

Rev. Dr. Henry S. Burrage read a paper on "The Plymouth Colonists in Maine," founded on the testimony of Governor William Bradford, as published in his journal recently republished by the State of Massachusetts.

A genealogical paper on the Crosby Family in Maine, contributed by Mr. Thomas Hill Pierce of Boston, was read by the secretary, Mr. Bryant.

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read, and copies requested for the archives. Adjourned.

January 18, 1900.

Meetings of the Society were held at the library in Portland, at 2.30 and 7.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

At the afternoon session, the recording secretary read a paper, contributed by Mr. Victor Hugo Paltsits of New York, on the depredation at Pemaquid in 1689, and the causes which led up to it.

Rev. Edward G. Porter, the President of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, was present, and addressed the meeting on the importance of making a systematic effort to obtain graveyard inscriptions throughout the State, for the benefit of historians and genealogists. Circulars and printed forms were exhibited, such as are used in Massachusetts.

Mr. Leonard B. Chapman called attention to a considerable collection of household utensils of the 18th century, which were given to the Society by Mrs. Rea and Mrs. Hunt of Stroudwater. Mr. Chapman read a brief paper on the Rea and Hunt families.

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read, and copies requested for the archives. Adjourned until evening.

At the evening session, Rev. Mr. Porter gave an informal and very interesting address on Boston during the Revolution, and read copies of letters written by Earl Percy, Commander of the British Forces, and dated from

Boston in 1775. Mr. Porter gave an account of his visit to Alnwick Castle, the country seat of Earl Percy, afterwards the Duke of Northumberland. These family letters, which he had copied, were kindly placed in his hands by the present Duke of Northumberland. Adjourned.

March 29, 1900.

A meeting of this Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

A report of accessions to the library and cabinet was read by the librarian as follows:

We have received the

Harvard University Catalogue and Annual Reports.

A. L. Pinart, book of plans and views of United States and Canada.

Manuscript documents in French and German, period of Franco-German war, from Edward Preble.

Semi-Centennnial admission of the State of Michigan into the Union, 1886, from Hon. James W. Bradbury.

History of Topsfield Academy, 1828-1860, from Nathan Goold.

Beauties and Industries of Dexter, Me., from Josiah Crosby.

History of Swan's Island, Me.

Washington's Bequest, the Centennial of the Death of General Washington, by Lincoln Lodge of Wiscasset, from W. D. Patterson.

Large photograph, handsomely framed, of Signing the Treaty of Peace at Paris, Dec. 10, 1898, from Senator W. P. Frye.

The Lygonian, a church magazine of Biddeford, from the publishers.

Reunion of the Bean Family, and Samuel Williams of Grafton, N. H., from J. H. Drummond.

Open Seals Open Gates, from G. B. Holden.

Expository Notes on the New Testament, New Haven, 1794, from Mrs. Abner H. Davis.

Farrington Memorial, from Mrs. Francis Southworth.

Proceedings for 1899, from the Supreme Masonic council.

Ten dollar note of the Hallowell and Augusta bank, 1811, from Philip J. Larrabee.

Ten notes from old State banks, from George Libby.

By-laws of Masonic Lodges, from Stephen Berry.

History of Cape Elizabeth High School, from E. C. Reynolds.
Missouri Historical Society Collections, No. 1, Vol. II.
Piscataquis Biography and Fragments, from John F. Sprague.
12th Report on Public Records of Massachusetts, from R. T. Swan.
1st Report on Public Records of New Jersey.
Collections No. 6, from Old Colony Historical Society.

Documents translated from the Spanish on the blockades and squadron operations in the West Indies during the Spanish-American war, from the United States Navy Department.

Letters of a family during the Civil War, in two volumes, privately printed, from Mrs. Georgeana W. Bacon.

Proceedings No. 1, Volume 2, Series 3, New Jersey Historical Society.

Small cane cut from the Governor Winthrop pear tree at Eastham, Mass., in 1851, from Charles Custis.

Yale College annual catalogues.

Proceedings of the Farmers' National Congress, 1899, from R. G. F. Candage.

Recruiting posters for the 17th Maine regiment, in frames, from James M. Safford.

Proceedings of the Pennsylvania Society Sons of American Revolution for 1898-1899, from E. A. Weaver.

Volume VI. Revolutionary Records, Soldiers and Sailors of Massachusetts, purchased.

Seventh Annual Report Town of Mechanic Falls, from J. W. Penney.

Minutes 9th and 10th meetings from the West Virginia Historical Society.

Handbook of the City of Bangor, fully illustrated, from E. M. Blanding.

Book of Architectural Plans for the University of California, from Mrs. Phebe A. Hearst.

Bound volume of the Mechanic Falls Ledger, from Charles E. Waterman.

Volume V. Proceedings of Peabody Trustees.

Diary of Increase Mather; eight miscellaneous pamphlets, from Dr. S. A. Green.

Notes on Naval Progress, from the United States Navy Department.

Hinds Family Genealogy, from A. H. Hinds.

Manuscript Copy of Patent to Sir Ferdinando Gorges, and Samuel Thatcher's Oration at Concord, Mass., July 4, 1796, both from B. B. Thatcher of Bangor.

Centennial Memorial of Berwick Academy, from Miss Ella W. Ricker.

Volume XV. Early Record of Providence, from the city of Providence.

Queen Charlotte's cup and saucer, Mate cup, John Alden's ring, from Mrs. Charlotte Neal Baker.

Abbott's History of Belfast, Maine, from Joseph Williamson.

Paines of Athens, from Paul M. Paine.

Hon. Joseph Williamson sent the following papers, which were read:

THE SKELETON IN ARMOR FOUND ON CAMPBELL'S ISLAND.

The recent exhumation by Mr. Frank Hamilton Cushing, the learned ethnologist of the Smithsonian Institute, of an armored skeleton in the town of Brooklin, has excited not only deep interest, but much speculative conjecture. Many of the newspaper reports of the discovery are suppositious and sensational. One of these asserted that the remains were those of a Norseman, who accompanied Lief Ericsson in his assumed voyage to New England five hundred years before Columbus. Another claimed that they afforded evidence of a desperate struggle between an Indian and a Frenchman; while a third went still farther in giving a pictorial sketch on the conflict, which the writer "considered tolerably accurate in reproducing the scene which ended the latter's career. In a lecture delivered last October before the Lowell Institute, Boston, it was declared that a pair of scissors and also Indian needles were found, indicating the burial of the knight's wife with him. This perversion is only equalled by statements in the same lecture that the island of Mount Desert was named for De Mont, the companion of Champlain in his voyage along our coast in 1605.

That the correct facts of the discovery might be known, I addressed a note of inquiry to Mr. Cushing, whose courteous and comprehensive reply is herewith submitted. His theory that the largest skeleton was that of a Frenchman of the early part of the seventeenth century, is indoubtable. Probably the interment took place near 1613, when the Jesuit settlement at Saint Sauveur was broken up by Argall.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,
Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington,
HAVEN, HANCOCK COUNTY, MAINE, 4th October, 1899.

To Mr. Joseph Williamson, Corresponding Secretary of the Maine Historical Society, Belfast, Maine.

Dear Sir:—The find to which the newspaper clipping you enclose refers, was actually made here on Campbell's Island, across the Reach from this place. The correspondent, however, was somewhat indifferent as to details, and was apparently bent mainly on making a popular story out of the facts evidently communicated to him by my Superintendent of workmen, Mr. Eaton. The skeleton with which the armor was found was very fragmentary. The armor itself had nearly disappeared, although the neck-piece and breast-plate were sufficiently intact to be recognizable as such, and rust extended down to the hips. At the side of the skeleton we also found a pike or the point and a portion of the blade of a halberd, and near at hand a four-sided, spike-like object, which may have been a poignard-blade, and the muzzle of a blunderbuss, which latter had been purposely destroyed by flattening by blows with heavy rocks.

Almost by the side of this skeleton was another accompanied by abundant beads, the hilt and insertion of an iron knife, and several imple-

ments of stone and bone knives of flint and beaver teeth. This skeleton, too, was fragmentary, although better preserved than the one with the armor. Both had been buried prone, whilst an almost perfect skeleton, interred within three feet of them, had been buried characteristically within a circle of stones, and trussed up, or in a sitting posture. The presence of mineral paint and black war medicine with these remains proclaimed them to be those of a warrior; but there is no warrant that he was a chief, although unquestionably a man of rank in his little tribe. Traces of European articles with him indicated his contemporanity with the others. The inference is that the skeleton was that of a Frenchman, of the earliest period of European intercourse on this coast, as is shown by the occurrence of articles there and elsewhere, in the site belonging to that period. For, thus far, no Indian skeleton has been found buried with armor, so far as I am aware and the position of this armored skeleton, prone, is another indication. It is probable that the skeleton that was found at its side was either that of a companion or of a native Indian woman toward whom the man held the relation of a husband. In any case the two were not victims, but had been buried by hands as friendly as those which deposited the old War Shaman, for the destruction of certain objects like the blunderbuss is a friendly act in Indian mortuary custom — the "killing" of properties that their ghosts may be rendered serviceable and unharmful.

I might write you much more, but, alas, my time is excessively occupied. Believe me then, with regard,

Very sincerely yours,

FRANK HAMILTON CUSHING.

A CONTRIBUTION TO THE HISTORY OF THE OLD KENNEBEC RIVER FORTS.

I present to the Society, herewith, a French pamphlet published in 1755, entitled "Recueil des Plans de L'Amerique Septentrionale," which was recently sent me from Paris.

Although many of the engravings are curious, the work is chiefly valuable to us from containing one of the earliest printed representations of Forts Halifax, Western and Frankfort, on the Kennebec River, and as showing the erection of the latter at an earlier date than has been generally supposed.

In the year 1751 the Plymouth Company offered to give each family who settled on their patent one hundred acres of land in what is now Dresden, to pay their passages from Boston, to advance six months' provisions, and to build them a house of defence against the Indians. The only conditions imposed were that each settler should clear five acres of land, and build a small house within three years. This offer was accepted by a colony of various nationalities, and the plantation begun was called Frankfort, from some of their number, who came from the city of that name in Germany.

Williamson's history of Maine says that the house of defence was built in 1754. Sullivan is probably correct in giving 1752 as the date, the same as on the French plan. That year is supported by a letter from the Kennebec proprietors to Pascal Nelson of London, communicated by Mr. Charles E. Allen of Dresden, and dated May 11, 1752, which says: "We

have made a beginning at a place on the east side of Kennebec River, a little above Richmond fort, where we have about fifty men at work building a house of defense, * * * and have sent down eight carriage guns and ammunition. * * * We call the town Frankfort."

"This and other documents," remarks Mr. Allen, "satisfies me that Fort Frankfort was built in 1752, though it is probable that after terror from the Indians had partially subsided, some delay in fully furnishing and equipping the garrison ensued."

Soon after the erection the name of Fort Frankfort was changed to that of Fort Shirley, in honor of Governor William Shirley, who built Forts Halifax and Western in 1754. The work was demolished in 1761, when the Pownalborough court house, which is still standing, was located within their area. One of the blockhouses remained until 1821.

According to an old description, the parade ground of the fort was two hundred feet square, enclosed by pickets; the westerly side of which was on the margin of the river. Within, were two blockhouses, the projecting stories of which were ten inches thick, were built of pine and hemlock lumber, hewn on four sides and interlocked where they crossed at the ends. One blockhouse was on the north, and the other on the south corner of the parade, on the tops of which were watch boxes for sentinels. The exterior pickets were of sufficient height, and within were barracks, for the accommodation of those belonging to the fort. The location of these buildings seem to be correctly delineated on the plan, which also gives the position of the carriage guns.

These forts were erected not only as a defence to the settlers, but to prevent communication between Nova Scotia and Canada. That they were regarded with jealousy and apprehension by the French is indicated by the accuracy of the plans which the latter published so soon after their establishment.

Rev. Dr. Burrage read a paper entitled "Why was Roger Williams Banished from Massachusetts?"

A paper on John Parker of Sagadahoc and his Descendants was read by Rev. Henry O. Thayer.

May 18, 1900.

A meeting was held at the library and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. In the absence of the president, Rev. Dr. Burrage took the chair.

A paper on President Lincoln and the Peace Conference of 1865 was read by Mr. Sidney W. Thaxter of Portland.

Mr. Joseph Williamson of Belfast read a paper on A Proposed Province on Maine Territory, to be called New Ireland. The paper was founded on documents in the family archives of the Marquis of Landsdowne and of Earl Dartmouth, recently copied for Mr. Williamson.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Dalton it was voted that the president convey to Hon. James W. Bradbury at Augusta, the greetings of the members of the Society assembled, with their best wishes for his speedy return to health.

June 13, 1900.

By invitation of Mrs. John F. Hubbard of Hiram, Maine, a granddaughter of General Peleg Wadsworth, members of the Society visited the Wadsworth homestead at Hiram, the date being the centennial anniversary of General Wadsworth's settlement in the town. Sons of the Maine Society of the American Revolution and daughters of the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter united with the Society in commemorating the day. Addresses were made by Rev. Dr. Burrage, Mr. Nathan Goold and others.

June 27, 1900.

The annual meeting was held in the Cleveland Lecture room at Brunswick, and was called to order in the absence of the president by the vice president, Mr. Rufus K. Sewall, at 2 P. M.

The following members were present: Messrs. Charles E. Allen, John Marshall Brown, Hubbard W. Bryant, Edward P. Burnham, Albert M. Card, Henry L. Chapman, Frederic O. Conant, Josiah Crosby, Henry Deering, Joshua L. Douglas, Edwin S. Drake, Janus G. Elder, Nathan Goold, Herbert Harris, Fritz H. Jordan, George Lewis, George T. Little, Ira S. Locke, William Macdonald, Prentice C. Manning, Josiah S. Maxcy, John W.

Penney, Parker M. Reed, Rufus K. Sewall, Asbury C. Stilphen, Walter H. Sturtevant, Charles D. Smith, Joseph W. Symonds, Henry O. Thayer, William W. Thomas, Jr., Joseph Williamson.

Mr. Charles E. Allen was appointed secretary *pro tem.*

The record of the last annual meeting was read and approved.

The annual report of the librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, was read and accepted.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant, and it was accepted.

A report on behalf of the committee, Messrs. Baxter, Burrage and Thayer, on special work at the library, was read by Mr. Thayer, and accepted.

On motion of General Brown it was voted that the same committee be continued.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary and biographer, Mr. Williamson, was read by him, and was accepted.

The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Jordan, was read by him in detail, and was accepted, to be placed on file.

On motion, the chairman appointed Messrs. Goold, Douglas and Stilphen a committee to nominate a board of officers for the ensuing year. The committee retired, and shortly afterwards reported that they had agreed to nominate the following as the Board for 1900-01:

James P. Baxter, President.
Rufus K. Sewall, Vice President.
Joseph Williamson, Corresponding Secretary and Biographer.
Fritz H. Jordan, Treasurer.
Hubbard W. Bryant, Recording Secretary, Librarian and Curator.

Rev. Henry S. Burrage of Portland, Prof. Henry L. Chapman of Brunswick, Gen. John Marshall Brown of Portland, Hon. Edward P. Burnham of Saco, Mr. Samuel C. Belcher of Farmington, Mr. Charles E. Nash of Augusta, Mr. John M. Glidden of New Castle, Standing Committee.

No objection being made, the ballot was cast for the entire Board, and were declared elected. The chairman reappointed Messrs. Franklin R. Barrett and Henry Deering as auditors of the treasurer's accounts.

Ballots were then distributed and the following were elected resident members:

Frederic E. Boothby, Portland.
Samuel Buffum, North Berwick.
Right Rev. Robert Codman, Jr., Portland.
John W. Dresser, Castine.
William H. Moulton, Portland.
Edward D. Noyes, Portland.
Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Yarmouth.

Ballots having been distributed for corresponding members, the following were duly elected:

Orestes Pierce, Oakland, California.
Charles William Deering, Evanston, Illinois.
Thomas H. Hubbard, New York.
Wilberforce Eames, New York.
John Tyler Hassam, Boston.

In the absence of the president, General Brown made a verbal report on the tablet at Fort Popham, and on motion it was voted that the matter be referred to the standing committee to confer with the United States authorities with reference to the permanent position of the tablet.

Reports from the Lincoln, Sagadahoc and Kennebec Historical Societies were read by the recording secretary, and were accepted to be placed on file.

An amendment to the By-laws concerning annual dues was reported upon by Mr. Williamson, and after some discussion was recommitted to the standing committee with the recommendation that the form of amendment shall specify an annual due from each resident member in lieu of all other charges; also that the Society's publications shall be made free to its members.

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The library has been open every week day afternoon, also for one evening in the week during the fall and winter months.

The attendance of readers is not as large as it should be considering the advantages offered in the free use of such a library.

We offer every facility to those doing historical and genealogical work.

We learn that histories of Sanford, of Kittery and of Gorham, Maine, are nearly completed, also that a genealogical work of the old families of Brunswick and Harpswell is being prepared.

The local histories of Maine now number upwards of one hundred titles; a library in themselves, and all written in the 19th century.

The close of the century is a very appropriate time for the members to increase the funds of the Society, to enlarge its library, its cabinet and its archives.

The wants of the library are many and pressing, especially in local histories and genealogies published in other States. Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Hampshire have made large strides in this direction.

County atlases of our own State we need, and also bound volumes of Maine newspapers.

Perhaps the most pressing need of all is a complete index of the Society's manuscripts. This must be done by skilled labor.

A prominent feature of our library is the English county histories.

The following have been added during the year:

Ormerod's History of Chester County.
Surtee's History of Durham.
Clatterbuck's History of Hertfordshire.
Polwhele's History of Devonshire.
Morant's History of Essex.
Hutchinson's History of Cumberland.

In order to make up a representative collection of the newspapers of the State at the close of the 19th century, we have sent cards to the publishers soliciting specimen copies, and have received up to the present time 120 Maine newspapers, published about January 1, 1900. This collection when completed will be bound to be exhibited January 1, 2000.

Our friends far and near continue to contribute relics of greater or less value to the library and cabinet, the most recent contribution being a good-sized water color painting, and handsomely framed. It represents the old Carmel Mission Church near Monterey, California. It is the gift of the artist herself, done in her seventy-third year, Mrs. E. S. Bradlee, a native of Maine.

A gift of greatest value is a lock of General Washington's hair in a gold locket, accompanied by several letters and documents from the Longfellow family.

The household relics of the past century from the Rea family, through Mr. L. B. Chapman, are also well worthy of mention.

A gold finger ring, said to have been worn by John Alden, the Pilgrim, was the dying bequest of Mrs. Charlotte Baker to our Society. She had refused many tempting offers in money for it.

Our greatest gift, viz., the Wadsworth-Longfellow homestead, is the gift of Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce, whom we trust will live to realize that our Society is prepared to accept her munificent benefaction.

January 25, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., and a memorial service was held as a tribute to the late Hon. James Ware Bradbury, of Augusta, our former president.

Mr. Baxter presided, and made a brief address on the life and character of Senator Bradbury. Rev. Dr. Burrage followed with a biographical sketch of Mr. Bradbury, and it was voted that the same be spread upon the records of the Society.

JAMES WARE BRADBURY.

Hon. James Ware Bradbury, for more than half a century a member of this Society, and for many years its president, died at his home in Augusta, January 6, 1901, at the advanced age of ninety-eight years and nearly seven months. He was a descendant of Thomas Bradbury, who in 1634 came to this country from Essex, England, and settled at Agamenticus, now York, Maine, as the agent or steward of Sir Ferdinando Gorges. Subsequently he became one of the original proprietors of the town of Salisbury, Massachusetts, and for more than half a century he was one of its most prominent citizens. He was clerk of the writs at Salisbury in 1641, and in 1651; also later he was a deputy to the General Court from that town.

James Ware Bradbury was a son of Dr. James and Ann (Moulton) Bradbury, his father being a physician of extensive practice in Parsonsfield in this State. Here he was born June 10, 1802, and he attributed in a large measure his vigorous health through life to the opportunities for the development of his physicial powers which he enjoyed in his boyhood on his father's farm. He attended the public schools of Parsonsfield, also for a term or two the academies in Saco, Limerick and Effingham, but he completed his college preparatory studies at Gorham Academy. So far was he advanced in his preparation for college that when he entered Bowdoin in 1822, he was admitted to the Sophomore class. Mr, Bradbury was the first boy to enter college from the town of Parsonsfield, and Mr. Bradbury's fellow townsman in Parsonsfield and Augusta, the late Rev. Dr. Joseph Ricker, was the second. Among Mr. Bradbury's classmates at Bowdoin were Longfellow, Hawthorne, Cheever, Cilley, J. S. C. Abbott, and other men who achieved distinction in the various walks of life. The first honor in the class at graduation was given to Mr. Longfellow, and the second or third was assigned to Mr. Bradbury. For some time before he died Mr. Bradbury had been the sole survivor of his class, and the oldest living graduate of the college.

After his graduation at Bowdoin College in 1825, Mr. Bradbury was principal of the Hallowell Academy one year. Subsequently he studied law with the Hon. Rufus McIntire of Parsonsfield. He completed his law studies in the office of the Hon. Ether Shepley of Portland. It was Mr. Bradbury's purpose to enter upon the practice of his profession in Augusta, and while awaiting the designated time, he opened, in 1829, in his native town, a school for teachers, the forerunner, so to speak, of our present Normal schools.

In 1830, Mr. Bradbury became a resident of Augusta, was admitted to the bar, and entered upon the practice of his profession. As his law business at the first was not large, he added to his other duties for a short time the editorship of the *Maine Patriot*, a Democratic paper published in Augusta. In 1833 he formed a law partnership with his college classmate, Horatio Bridge. This continued only a year, however, as Mr. Bridge then abandoned the practice of law and devoted himself to other pursuits. In 1840 he formed a partnership with Mr. Richard D. Rice, who had been a student in his office, and the partnership was continued until 1848, when Mr. Rice was elevated to the bench. Then Mr. Lot M. Morrill became Mr. Bradbury's law partner, and the partnership was continued until Mr. Morrill was elected a member of the United States Senate. In 1856, Joseph H. Meserve took Mr. Morrill's place in Mr. Bradbury's office, and the relation then formed was continued until Mr. Meserve's death, in 1864. Then Mr. Bradbury made his son, James Ware Bradbury, Jr., his law partner, and this connection was maintained until the son's lamented death in 1876.

Mr. Bradbury's gifts were early recognized by the political party to which he belonged. In 1835, he was made county attorney, an office which he held four years. Anything connected with the prosperity of the state received his earnest support, and he is said to have been instrumental, in 1835, in securing the charter of the first railroad in Maine, the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth. Later he secured the charter of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence railroad. Mr. Bradbury was a delegate to the Democratic Convention which nominated James K. Polk, and afterward he took the stump in support of this nomination. In 1846, he was elected a member of the Senate of the United States, and took his seat March 4, 1847. Placed on important committees he was brought into close relations with the great men of that period, Webster, Clay, Calhoun, Benton, Cass, Douglass, against whose names for the most part "the fatal asterisk of death" was long since placed. One of the senators in whom he was especially interested was Alpheus Felch of Michigan, a native of Maine, with whom Mr. Bradbury began the study of Virgil at Limerick Academy in 1819. Mr. Bradbury held in the highest estimation Henry Clay, and he gave to him, when his Compromise Measure was before the Senate, his most earnest support, in the vain endeavor to prevent the impending struggle between the North and the South. Declining a re-election to the Senate at the close of his term

of office, Mr. Bradbury returned to Augusta and resumed his law practice.

In 1850, while a member of the Senate, Mr. Bradbury was made a member of the Board of Overseers of Bowdoin College, a position which he held until 1860, when he was elected a trustee of the college. In this office he gave the college faithful service throughout the remaining years of his life. In 1872, his Alma Mater conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Mr. Bradbury became a member of this Society in 1846. In 1859, he was elected corresponding secretary of the Society, to fill a vacancy occasioned by the death of Prof. Parker Cleaveland. In 1873, on the death of President Bourne, Mr. Bradbury was made his successor, and he was continued in the office of president until 1890. Mr. Bradbury's literary contributions to the Society were as follows: November 16, 1881, he read before the Society a Memoir of Nathan Clifford, which is printed in the First Series of the Society's Collections, Volume IX, pages 237-257. December 18, 1890, he contributed a sketch of James Loring Child, which is printed in the Second Series of the Society's Collections, Volume II, pages 163-165. March 26, 1896, he contributed a paper entitled, "Railroad Reminiscences," which is printed in the Second Series of the Society's Collections, Volume VII, pages 379-390. In Portland, June 10, 1887, in honor of his eighty-fifth birthday, the Society gave a complimentary dinner to Mr. Bradbury. This was a memorable occasion, and a fitting recognition of Mr. Bradbury's many helpful services in behalf of the Society. It should never be forgotten that it was largely by his influence that the Society obtained from the State a grant of land, the sale of which secured to the Society a large part of its present invested funds. In his will Mr. Bradbury bequeathed to the Society the sum of one thousand dollars.

Mr. Bradbury married, November 25, 1834, Eliza Ann, daughter of Thomas Westbrook and Abigail (Page) Smith of Augusta. Four sons were born to them, Henry Westbrook, James Ware, Thomas Westbrook Smith and Charles. Only the last survives. Mrs. Bradbury died January 29, 1879.

In view of Mr. Bradbury's long and helpful services, private and public, the Maine Historical Society places on record its high estimation of his character and ability. The urbanity of his manners, the dignity with which he regarded service of any kind, the purity of his motives and the faithfulness which he manifested in all the activities of a most useful career, were the expression of a life without fear and without reproach, a life that showed that

> "Age is opportunity no less
> Than youth itself,"—

that

> "Nothing is too late
> Till the tired heart shall cease to palpitate."

Mr. George F. Talbot gave an address on Mr. Bradbury as a testimonial of his personal friendship and warm appreciation of Mr. Bradbury's great public services.

Rev. Dr. Asa Dalton spoke feelingly of his life-long friend, and gave some interesting reminiscences of Mr. Bradbury's career.

Mr. George F. Emery, also an early friend of Mr. Bradbury, made a brief address, and bore testimony to Mr. Bradbury's high character as a statesman and a Christian gentleman.

The president announced the death of Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce, and reminded the members present of her deed of gift of her homestead, to be cared for and used by the Society.

The matter was discussed by Messrs. George F. Talbot, Josiah H. Drummond, Rev. Dr. Burrage and others, and on motion it was voted that the president appoint a committee of three to consider the acceptance of the gift, and to report upon the same at the next annual meeting of the Society.

The president accordingly appointed as the committee Messrs. John Marshall Brown, Henry Deering and Fritz H. Jordan.

It was voted that a committee be appointed by the chair to take into consideration the commemoration by the Society of the one thousandth anniversary of the death of King Alfred the Great. The president accordingly appointed Rev. Dr. H. S. Burrage, Mr. Nathan Goold, Col. John M. Glidden, as the committee of arrangements.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN, JANUARY 25, 1901.

Paine Family Record, from Mrs. Ann Paine.

Lines of Demarcation of Pope Alexander VI., from S. E. Dawson.

Early Maryland poetry, annual report, volumes of Maryland Archives, from Maryland Historical Society.

194th Brookline, Mass., Report, from S. E. Blake.

Annual Proceedings G. A. R., from Edward C. Swett.

Historical Memoranda, from Massachusetts Society Sons A. R.

A quantity of miscellaneous bound volumes and pamphlets, from Frank D. Lunt.

Bridgton Academy catalogues and souvenir volumes, from C. E. Spratt.

Suffolk Registry of Deeds, from John F. Hassam.

Sturges Families of Maine, from A. W. Sturges.

Fifty modern directories, from Frederic E. Tower.

Six generations of Hunnewells in Massachusetts, from James F. Hunnewell.

Alabama Arbitration, from Thomas W. Balch.

Journals of the Senate and House and Public Documents of 1898–99, from State of Maine.

A quantity of miscellaneous volumes, including Jenks' Commentary, from William N. Prince.

Essex Bar Memorials from the Essex Bar Association.

Bulletins Boston Public Library and New York Public Library.

Essex Institute Publications.

260th Annual Record, A. and H. Artillery Co., from A. A. Folsom.

250th Anniversary Settlement of Malden, Mass., from the City of Malden.

Volume VI, Transactions Kansas State Historical Society.

Sketch of Andrew Benton, 1620–1683, from J. H. Benton, Jr.

Manchester, N. H., Historical Association collections.

Bangor City Documents, from the city.

James Rumsey, inventor of steamboat, from West Virginia Historical Society.

By-laws and list of members, from the Cumberland Club.

Annual Proceedings, from the Bunker Hill Monument Association.

Annual Proceedings, from the American Antiquarian Society.

Castine sixty years ago. Address by G. M. Adams, from Wm. H. Witherle.

Copy of manuscript Indian Petition and Indian Deed of 1864, from Robert C. Winthrop.

Hope Rogers and his descendants, from J. S. Rogers.

Views of Pownalborough Court House, with sketch, from Charles E. Allen.

List of members of the California Pioneers, from J. H. Drummond.

Large photograph portrait, in a handsome frame, of the Rev. Dr. Frederick Gardiner, from his daughter, Mrs. Henry Ferguson.

New York in the Revolution and two volumes public papers of George Clinton, from the New York State Library.

Two volumes of the Maryland Archives, from the Maryland Historical Society.

A wineglass once owned by General Joseph Frye of Fryeburg, from his great-granddaughter, Mrs. Jane W. Frye Coolidge.

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Set of the Biblia for 1899, from Miss E. D. Senter.
History of Hampton Falls, N. H.
History of Scituate, Mass.
Colby College publications, from J. H. Drummond.
Photographs of the Wadsworth reunion, mansion and burial ground at Hiram, from A. W. Currier.
Elder Sumner Rand's Book of Records, of Marriages and Baptisms, mostly in Portland, 1810–1825, from Mrs. Rand.
Masonic Publications, from Stephen Berry.
Ford's History of Hanover, Mass., Academy, from Rev. H. S. Burrage.
The Centennial of Castine, from John W. Dresser.
The Sixteen Reports of the Commissioners of the State Reservation of Niagara.
Judge Williamson of Belfast, presented a copy of the diary of Col. John Storer of Wells, who went to Louisbourg with the expedition of 1745. He also presented several copies of letters written by Captain Henry Mowat, which he obtained in London.

February 14, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

Mr. Samuel T. Dole, of South Windham, read a list of the early tax payers of Windham, giving brief biographical sketches.

The sabre and sash worn by Captain Rufus McIntyre in the Artillery which served on the frontier in the State of New York in the War of 1812, was presented by Mr. Philip W. McIntyre, his grandson, together with a paper narrating an account of Captain McIntyre and his services in the War of 1812.

A tribute to the memory of the late Joseph W. Porter, of Bangor, was contributed by Mr. Edward B. Nealley of Bangor.

A memorial of General Hiram G. Berry, and his services in the War of the Rebellion, was read by Judge Charles P. Mattocks.

Rev. Dr. Burrage, on behalf of the committee, reported a proposed meeting in commemoration of the death of King Alfred the Great. After remarks by Mr. Talbot and others the report was accepted.

Votes of thanks were passed for papers read and copies requested.

March 14, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the Library in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the President in the chair.

Mr. Clarence Hale read a paper on the Capture of the Revenue Cutter Caleb Cushing in Portland Harbor, June 27, 1863, by a Confederate party under the lead of Lieutenant Reed. The reading of the paper brought out the testimony of several eye witnesses of the after proceedings in the harbor.

Mr. Charles E. Allen, of Dresden, read a paper on the First Congregational Church of Dresden and its pastor, Rev. Freeman Parker, who was settled, March 21, 1796.

Mr. Samuel T. Dole, of South Windham, read a paper concerning Windham and its inhabitants made up from an old account book kept by Jonathan Leavitt, Jr., during the last half of the eighteenth century.

Rev. Dr. Burrage read a paper on Colonel Jedediah Preble's Regiment in the Ticonderoga Expedition of 1758. This account of the expedition is given in the diary or orderly book kept by Captain Samuel Cobb of Portland, who commanded a company in Jedediah Preble's regiment from May to November, 1758. The manuscript was

discovered some time since in the town of Gorham, Maine.

The president read a communication from the late Mr. Bradbury of Augusta, being a letter written by him and addressed to Mr. Joseph Williamson, under date of August 11, 1899, giving an account of the Proceedings of the First Democratic State Convention in the Union after the commencement of the Civil War, and of the defeat of the attempt to commit the party against the war. This convention was held in Augusta, Maine. Mr. Bradbury was a member of the convention.

April 17, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the Library in Portland, and was called to order by the President at 2.30 P. M.

Mr. John W. Penney, of Mechanic Falls, read a paper on the Stone Age in Maine, its Wane and Disappearance. Mr. Penney exhibited a collection of stone implements found in Maine, and remarks on the topic were made by the president, Messrs. Boyd, Dole and others.

Mr. Samuel T. Dole, of South Windham, read a paper on the County Tax Payers of Windham in 1789–90, giving some biographical facts concerning them.

Mr. Francis L. Littlefield, of Portland, read a paper on the Capture of the New York Steamer Chesapeake, which occurred December 7, 1863, while the steamer was on her trip from New York to Portland. The capture was made by a crew of fifteen men from the Provinces, acting under orders from one John Parker, a self-styled Confederate naval officer.

Mr. James W. Brackett, of Peaks Island, gave some personal reminiscences of the pursuit and destruction of

the Revenue Cutter Caleb Cushing in June, 1863, in which he took part.

A paper on Church and State in New England, by Mr. Augustus F. Moulton of Portland, was read by him.

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read, and copies requested for the archives. Adjourned.

May 15, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

A report of accessions to the library and cabinet was read by the librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant.

A paper on George Bramhall and his descendants, one of the earliest settlers of Portland, was read by Mr. Stephen Berry of Portland.

Mr. P. W. McIntyre, of Portland, presented the original roll of the volunteers from Alfred, Maine, in the war of the Rebellion.

Mr. Samuel Lane Boardman, of Bangor, read a paper entitled "An unwritten Chapter of the History of Ancient Cushnoc" (Augusta, Maine).

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read, and copies requested for the archives.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

The Report of the First Parish of Portland, building committee, with plan of pews, January 12, 1826, from William Tracy Eustis.

Study of the Warwick Dialect, from Appleton Morgan.

The Revolutionary Soldiers of Dublin, N. H., from Samuel C. Derby.

Thirty-seven Wiscasset and Lincoln County Reports, from Wm. D. Patterson.

Samuel Benton, his ancestors and descendants, from J. H. Benton, Jr.

Fifteen pamphlets by Dr. Franklin Staples, from the author.

Memorial of John A. King, from the New York Historical Society.

Portland City Plans of the Eastern and Western Cemeteries, from Nathan Goold.

Six pamphlets by Rev. Henry M. King, from the author.

Charter and By-Laws Penobscot Log Driving Company, from Hon. Fred Atwood.

Connecticut State Register of 1901, from the State Library.

Part 55 Proceedings Worcester Society of Antiquity, from the Society.

Fourteen numbers of the Proceedings of the Bostonian Society, completing our set.

A wooden lantern made by the late Isaac Bennett of New Gloucester, from John W. Penney.

The 262d Anniversary Proceedings of the A. and H. Artillery Company of Boston.

The Portland Marine Society's Centennial and By-Laws, from Capt. William Leavitt.

A British bullet taken from the body of Enoch Wingate, a New Hampshire soldier of the Revolution, from Mrs. Laura W. Quimby.

Mechanic Falls Town Report, from John W. Penney.

Vaccination and Vaccine Lymph, from Dr. Charles D. Smith.

Catalogue of Berwick Academy, from Dr. J. L. M. Willis.

Robert Schell, In Memoriam, from F. R. Schell.

Minutes East Maine Conference, 1900, from Rev. C. A. Plummer.

13th Report on the Public Records of Massachusetts, from Robert T. Swan.

Two old volumes, from Mrs. E. S. Bradlee of California.

Books, cups and saucers and other relics, from Mrs. Howard E. Soule.

Several volumes from D. W. Fox.

14th Report of Bureau Industrial Statistics, from S. W. Matthews.

Phi Beta Kappa hand book for 1900 and J. Martin's sermons, London, 1771, from Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Belfast city and Waldo County Reports, from Joseph Williamson.

Report of Gettysburg Commissioners for 1900, from J. P. Nicholson.

Essex Institute Historical collections are received from the Institute at Salem.

Genealogical imprints, from Rev. A. Caldwell.

The First Parish church, seventy-fifth Anniversary Proceedings, from Rev. John C. Perkins.

A large number of Imprints and Directories, from The Thurston Print.

Autograph letters and documents, from Philip W. McIntyre.

A History of Stonington, Connecticut.

Letters on Indian Affairs.

Groton Soldiers' Diaries of the Revolution. The Quaker Invasion of Massachusetts, from Charles L. Nichols.

A Water Color Drawing, sacred to the memory of William Minott, in 1817, from Mrs. L. C. Gilson.

June 26, 1901.

The annual meeting was held in the Cleaveland Lecture room at Brunswick, and was called to order at 9 A. M. by the president, Mr. Baxter. The following members were present: Charles E. Allen, James P. Baxter, John Marshall Brown, Edward A. Butler, Samuel C. Belcher, Hubbard W. Bryant, A. M. Card, Josiah Crosby, Henry L. Chapman, Henry Deering, Edwin S. Drake, Joshua L. Douglas, Isaac M. Emery, Nathan Goold, Herbert Harris, Fritz H. Jordan, George T. Little, Ira S. Locke, James M. Larrabee, George Lewis, Prentice C. Manning, Joseph E. Moore, Hiram K. Morrell, Edward B. Nealley, Franklin C. Payson, Lewis Pierce, John W. Penney, Parker M. Reed, Asbury C. Stilphen, Benjamin P. Snow, A. R. Stubbs, Joseph W. Symonds, Franklin A. Wilson, George A. Wheeler, Joseph Wood.

Mr. Charles E. Allen was appointed secretary of the meeting.

The records of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The annual reports of the librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, were read by him and were accepted.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant, and it was accepted.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary and biographer, Mr. Williamson, was read by Professor Chapman, and it was accepted.

The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Jordan, was read by him, and also the report of the auditing committee, Messrs. Barrett and Deering, and the same were accepted to be placed on file.

The president reappointed the same auditors.

It was voted that the president appoint a committee of three to nominate the annual board of officers, and he accordingly appointed Professor Chapman and Messrs. Deering and Drake as said committee.

On motion of General John Marshall Brown it was voted to amend Section 16 of the By-laws, making the number of the standing committee nine instead of seven.

Annual reports of the following County Historical Societies, Lincoln, Sagadahoc and Kennebec, were read by the recording secretary, and were accepted to be placed on file.

General Brown made a verbal report on the Pemaquid Reservation.

The nominating committee reported that they had agreed upon the following board of officers for the ensuing year:

James P. Baxter, President.
Rufus K. Sewall, Vice President.
Joseph Williamson, Corresponding Secretary and Biographer.
Fritz H. Jordan, Treasurer.
Hubbard W. Bryant, Recording Secretary, Librarian and Curator.
Rev. Henry S. Burrage of Portland, Prof. Henry L. Chapman of Brunswick, Gen. John Marshall Brown of Portland, Hon. Edward P. Burnham of Saco, Col. John M. Glidden of Newcastle, Franklin A. Wilson of Bangor, Josiah H. Drummond of Portland, Fritz H. Jordan of Portland, Prentice C. Manning of Portland, Standing Committee.

On motion, and no objection being made, the secretary cast the single ballot, and the board was declared elected.

The president then read the ballot for resident members, and called for the votes of the members present, which were cast and the following were declared elected:

Hartley C. Baxter, Brunswick.
George E. Bird, Yarmouth.
Dr. George H. Cummings, Portland.
Dennis W. Clark, Portland.
William Freeman, Cherryfield.
Hon. Eugene Hale, Ellsworth.

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any time after his admission, he shall pay into the treasury thirty dollars in addition to his previous payments."

Life members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of resident members.

Voted, that the recommendation of the standing committee that the publications of the Society be suspended for the present on completion of Volume VIII, of the Documentary Series, is adopted, and that the price of Volumes VII and VIII be fixed at two dollars each, members having prepaid three dollars for each volume to receive a rebate of one dollar for each volume to be credited on the annual dues for 1902.

Also voted, that the Society publish annually the proceedings to be given to each member without charge.

The president called attention to the report of the committee on the Wadsworth-Longfellow homestead, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Society, and called for a vote of acceptance of the deed of gift.

After some discussion a vote was taken, and it was nearly unanimous in favor of the acceptance.

On motion, the following resolves were passed:

Resolved, that the Maine Historical Society gratefully accepts the generous gift of the late Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce, of the Wadsworth-Longfellow homestead in the City of Portland, upon the conditions expressed in the deed of gift.

Resolved, that a committee of twelve be appointed by the president of the Society to take custody of the property, to prepare an appeal for contributions to enable the Society to conform to the conditions of the deed of gift, and, generally, to make all arrangements necessary to carry on the work to its completion, the Society believing that the sons and daughters of Maine, and the admirers of Longfellow throughout the land, will make a generous response to our call for aid in this noble undertaking.

The president then appointed the following as the committee:

Gen. John Marshall Brown.
Hon. Eugene Hale.
Prof. Henry L. Chapman.
Rev. John Carroll Perkins.
Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain.
Henry Deering, Esq.
Hon. John F. Hill.
Hon. William P. Frye.
Hon. Thomas B. Reed.
Hon. Joseph W. Symonds.
Hon. Charles F. Libby.
Franklin A. Wilson, Esq.
Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

On motion, it was voted that the president's name be added as chairman, *ex officio*, of the committee; also, that the president have power to add to the committee.

A vote of thanks was passed to Messrs. Brown, Deering and Jordan, the committee on the Wadsworth-Longfellow homestead, for their interesting and valuable report.

On motion of Mr. Jordan, it was voted that the President of the Society be authorized and instructed to notify the executor of the estate of the late Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce of the acceptance by the Society of the Wadsworth-Longfellow property under the conditions of the deed from her, and generally to comply with any legal formalities that may be necessary or proper in the matter. Adjourned.

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE LIBRARY AND CABINET, JUNE 26, 1901.

I have the honor to report to you the condition of the library and cabinet. The accessions for the past twelve months foot up, four hundred twenty-five bound volumes,

seven hundred eighty-seven pamphlets; a larger showing of the latter than in former years.

Some necessary binding of periodicals has been done. As will appear by the treasurer's report large sales have been made of our publications, and the demand for sets of the quarterly proceedings will increase rather than diminish.

We shall be glad to receive back numbers, and especially indexes from those who do not care to bind their numbers of the quarterly.

The library has been kept open each weekday from 2 to 5 P. M., also on one evening a week from November to May. As in past years genealogies and local histories have been chiefly called for, and what we lack in many cases are supplied from the shelves of the Genealogical Society.

The local newspapers never contained so much history worth the preserving as at the present day. It is a problem how to get at it and put it in shape. One person or more can be kept busy cutting and mounting important historical contributions to the press of Maine.

Pamphlets also deserve immediate attention and care. Although their number is legion they are quickly lost sight of and forgotten unless cared for in a library and indexed.

A brief mention of some of the most valuable accessions during the past year will no doubt interest you. We have received the Essex Bar Memorials, New York State in the War of the Revolution, Groton, Massachusetts, in the War of the Revolution, New York at Gettysburg, in three large volumes, a set of the Reports of the Niagara Reservation Commission, Family Papers left by Hon. Rufus McIntire, former land agent, early copies of Indian Deeds, from the Winthrop family, Elder Sumner Rand's Manuscript Book of Records of Marriages and Baptisms,

copy of the Diary of Col. John Storer at Louisburg in 1745, copies of letters by Captain Henry Mowat, a set of the Proceedings of the Bostonian Society, the Field Family Genealogy, History of Stonington, History of Kansas City.

Through the kindness of Miss Mary K. Longfellow we have received a quantity of family papers, carefully preserved by the late Mrs. Anne L. Pierce, and which will be mounted in volumes for the purpose, and kept in the Society's archives.

November 1, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, to observe the millenary anniversary of the death of King Alfred, the Great.

It was called to order at 7.30 P. M. by the president, Mr. James P. Baxter, who offered the introductory remarks, and the following papers were read:

I. The Life and Character of King Alfred,
Prof. J. WILLIAM BLACK, Colby College.

II. Alfred the Writer and the Patron of Learning,
Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN, Bowdoin College.

III. The Anglo-Saxon Constitution and Laws in the Time of Alfred the Great,
Hon. ALBERT R. SAVAGE, Auburn.

IV. Alfred the Great as a Christian,
Rev. ASA DALTON, D. D., Portland.

Votes of thanks for the papers were passed and copies requested for the archives. Adjourned.

December 19, 1901.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

The librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, made a report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Mr. John J. Gerrish presented to the Society a framed photograph of the first locomotive built by George Stephenson in 1825, with the following remarks:

What has been regarded by many as the birthday of the railway locomotive occurred on September 27, 1825, with Stephenson as the father of the event. The Stockton and Darlington Railway had been built, and, through his persistent efforts, laid with iron instead of wooden rails. Stephenson, himself, was the driver on that occasion, and before a tremendous crowd of curious and, for the most part, incredulous people, he drew a train of nearly thirty wagons, loaded with passengers and coal, at a speed of twelve or fifteen miles per hour. Thus the first train that ever carried passengers made its journey in safety, and the enthusiasm of the multitude was indescribable.

Extract from an old paper quoting from an English Review, 1825:

"What can be more palpably absurd and ridiculous than the prospect held out of Locomotives travelling twice as fast as Stage Coaches. We should expect people of Woolwich (England) to suffer themselves to be fired off upon one of Congreve's Rockets, as to put themselves at the mercy of such a machine going at such a rate."

Rev. Dr. Henry S. Burrage read a paper on the Acadians of Nova Scotia, and the causes which led to their expulsion by the government in 1755.

The paper called forth at its conclusion remarks from a number of interested auditors concerning especially descendants of the Acadians who had settled in the United States.

At the evening session Rev. John Carroll Perkins read a paper on Parson Thomas Smith of the First Parish of Portland and his Times.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN, DECEMBER 19, 1901.

The following have been received:

The dress sword of General Joseph Scott Jewett of Gorham, carried by General Henry Dearborn in the war of 1812, from Mrs. William S. Jewett.

An oil portrait on wood of John Neal, the author, painted in 1812, by George W. Appleton, a portrait painter of Boston, given by his daughter, Miss Georgiana Appleton, who gives also several drawings done by her father in 1829. Mr. Appleton was born in 1805 and died in 1831. He was the son of George W. and the grandson of Nathaniel Appleton. This excellent portrait of John Neal is the earliest one known to us.

A rusty fragment of a sword found with the skeleton of the owner in a grave near by the site of Fort Casco at Falmouth Foreside, from Herbert Payson.

An officer's commission issued to Samuel Clarke of Portland by the State of Massachusetts in 1818, from Charles L. Clarke.

Deed of land issued by the proprietors of the Kennebec purchase, from Robert H. Gardiner.

Photograph of the drawing by Cyrus William King, called an Illustrated Dictionary, and other photographs, from Marquis F. King.

Harvard College lottery ticket 1807, from Augustus F. Moulton.

Photograph copy of Montressor's Map of Northern Maine, from Professor Justin H. Smith.

Photographs of the Pepperell tablet at Appledore Island, from M. A. Safford.

Manuscript Memoir of Andrew Cushman, from R. F. Cushman.

Mrs. Preston Powers has kindly loaned for the decoration of the library, the beautiful marble bust of Professor Louis Agassiz, executed by her distinguished husband.

A member of the Society, the late Deacon Brown Thurston, has given a considerable number of books and pamphlets. Among them, which are new to our shelves, are the genealogies: Bates family, Bidwell family, Bouton family, Delamater family, Diamond family, Gerould family, Goodwins of Kittery, Greeley family, Hall family, Long Island families, Pearson family, Bidlon and Riddell, Morgan family, Wakefield Memorial, Danvers Military Annals, Volumes of Munsell's American Ancestry.

Mr. Charles B. and Miss Thurston have also kindly remembered us with their gifts of books and pamphlets.

The original Washington edition of President Jackson's Farewell Address of 1837 is received from F. Atwood.

Eight early Portland Directories and a framed portrait of General Neal Dow, from Mrs. Irving Blake.

Raymond, N. H., fifty years ago, from D. H. Brown.

Fifth Annual Reunion of the John Bean Family, from J. H. Drummond.

Kittery and Eliot in the Revolution, from Oliver P. Remick.

Five numbers of the Bowdoin Art collection, from Miss M. K. Longfellow.

Bound volume of the Mechanic Falls Ledger, from Charles E. Waterman.

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants, from Richard Henry Greene, secretary of the Society.

The Literary Diary of Dr. Ezra Stiles, in three volumes, from Yale College.

Antony Waymouth, from our corresponding member, Albert B. Waymouth, of Hawaii.

Twenty-five directories, from Frederic L. Tower.

Report on the Canadian Archives, from D. Brymner.

Harrissee Cartography, from James P. Baxter.

Reports of the Society of the Army of the Potomac, and other pamphlets, from Horatio C. King.

Cunningham family, from Henry W. Cunningham.

Tracy family, from N. B. Tracy.

Acknowledgments are due to the Historical Societies throughout the Union for their publications, also to the several New England colleges, academies and seminaries for their annual catalogues.

By purchase and exchange the following volumes have been added to the Library:

Thirty-three volumes of Bancroft's History of the Pacific States.

History of Leeds, Maine.

The Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution in Massachusetts. Volume VIII embracing names to J, Y, P.

Volumes VII to XII and I, twenty-three new series of the Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada.

Volume VII for 1846 of the Portland Tribune.

Volume I for 1845 of the Myrtle of Dover, N. H.

Reprints of his historical publications, from Professor W. F. Ganong.

REPORT OF COMMITEE ON MRS. ANNE LONGFELLOW PIERCE'S GIFT.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

At a meeting of the Maine Historical Society held in Baxter hall, Portland, on January 25, 1901, the undersigned were appointed a committee to take into considera-

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dent of this Society, and one of its charter members. His children were born in this house, with the exception of the two oldest. The second of these was Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Here his youth and early manhood were passed, and here he returned every year in after life. From the upper windows in those early days the sea to the south, the mountains and woods to the north, were plainly visible, and from these sources came the inspiration of many of his poems. It is the first brick house erected within the city limits, and is a typical example of the best residences of this section in the latter part of the eighteenth and early part of the nineteenth centuries.

In its parlors the leading men of the city and State for several generations have been received, and every interest of an historic nature warrants its preservation as a memorial not only of the poet Longfellow, but of the two generations before him. Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce was born in the house and lived there her long life of ninety years, and her earnest desire that the house should be preserved as a memorial of those whose memory was dear to her prompted her to make to the Society this valuable gift.

The acquisition of the property by the Society and its preservation was a project dear to the heart of our former president, ex-Senator James W. Bradbury, and he devoted much time and thought to the matter.

The deed conveying the property to the Society, a copy of which is annexed, was dated April 27, 1895, and was delivered to the treasurer of the Society, January 21, 1901, four days prior to the death of Mrs. Pierce, which occurred January 25, 1901.

While all the considerations named are strongly in favor of the preservation of the property in its present condition, the members of your committee find that there are some difficulties connected with the acceptance of the gift under

the conditions of the deed, viz.: The erection of a new building, the raising of funds for the cost of the same and the surrender of our present quarters. The present financial standing of the Society is as follows: It has an invested fund of about $14,000, the income of which is even now not sufficient for its needs, and none of which is available for the erection of a building. The library and cabinet were formerly in Brunswick. By an agreement entered into with the City of Portland, they were removed to Portland about 1882, and the city gave to the Society the use of rooms in the City Building. In 1889 the library and cabinet were removed to our present location in the Baxter Building, erected by the munificence of our President, the Hon. James P. Baxter, and deeded by him to the City of Portland for the use of the Public Library and the Maine Historical Society.

It will be observed by the deed of gift from Mrs. Pierce that the Society is required within six months from her decease to agree to the conditions of the deed, and that within nine months it shall engage to erect in the rear of the building, and connecting with it, a hall for the accomodation of its library and cabinet, and commence within two years the erection of this building. The possibility of the removal of the library and cabinet from the quarters now occupied was anticipated by Mr. Baxter, as appears in the indenture made December 31, 1888, between himself and the City of Portland. The premises conveyed by that indenture were to be held by said City of Portland for the use of the free Public Library and also for the use of the Maine Historical Society, quarters assigned for our own Society being specially designated in the instrument; occupancy by the Society to continue until by purchase, gift or devise it should become possessed of and should occupy other premises for its purposes.

Such in brief is the situation, but having taken all mat-

ters into consideration, and having carefully weighed all the difficulties, we are of the opinion that the opportunity to acquire this valuable property with all its rich associations should not be lost, that this historic house should not be allowed to be torn down as was the Hancock house in Boston, and we unanimously recommend to the Society the acceptance of the property under the conditions of the deed of gift.

We have procured estimates, which we believe to be substantially accurate, of the expense of erecting a library building and equipping it for the use of the Society. The building we recommend is thirty-six by sixty feet in inside dimensions, plain in its finish, and fire-proof throughout. The cost of the building completed, equipped and ready for occupancy will not exceed $21,000.

The plans of this building and the Longfellow House are annexed.

Without making any further suggestions with reference to this matter, which will doubtless be put in the hands of a building committee, we recommend that during the interval between the formal acceptance of the gift and the time necessary for making arrangements for the construction of the building, an appeal should be made to our citizens and to all outside of our State interested in the preservation of this historic monument for subscriptions to enable us to carry on the work. We have reason to believe, although it is not the province of this committee to solicit funds, that many are not only willing but desirous to aid the Society.

We are able to say from our present observations that there is a widespread interest in this matter, not only in the City of Portland, but in the State, amongst patriotic societies, and that this interest is shared by many not resident in Maine, but who have lived here or who are devotedly attached to the memory of our great poet Longfellow.

The Society has two years from Mrs. Pierce's death in which to raise funds and begin the erection of the building, and your committee has no doubt that within that period generous contributions will be made and the work begun in accordance with the noble wish of this generous lady, who has desired to perpetuate and desired us to perpetuate, this monument of two of the most conspicuous families of our State.

Inasmuch as the City of Portland will acquire for the use of the Public Library the rooms which will be vacated by the Society, your committee has reason to believe that some assistance may be expected from the city government towards the maintenance of this property.

The suggestion has been made that it might be possible to procure a very large collection of first editions of Longfellow publications, of portraits, autographs, etc., of works of both the Wadsworth and Longfellow families, and of furniture belonging to the period.

It is intimated to us that in case the property is accepted by this Society the Longfellow family desire to put the house in good condition, and we are authorized to state that by Mrs. Pierce's express desire certain pieces of family furniture, designated by her, will be left in the house, to help preserve its homelike character, so long as the Society shall hold it under the conditions of the deed.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Maine Historical Society gratefully accepts the generous gift of the late Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce of the Wadsworth-Longfellow homestead in the City of Portland, upon the conditions expressed in the deed of gift.

Resolved, That a committee of twelve be appointed by the president of the Society to take custody of the property, to prepare an appeal for contributions to enable the

Society to conform to the conditions of the deed of gift, and generally to make all arrangements necessary to carry on the work to its completion, the Society believing that the sons and daughters of Maine, and the admirers of Longfellow throughout the land, will make a generous response to our call for aid in this noble undertaking.

JOHN MARSHALL BROWN,
HENRY DEERING,
FRITZ H. JORDAN, } *Committee.*

[COPY OF DEED.]

WHEREAS certain gentlemen, members of the Maine Historical Society, have expressed a desire that their Society should become the owner of the Longfellow Mansion on Congress Street in Portland, Maine, with a view to its preservation as a Longfellow Memorial, therefore

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I Anne Longfellow Pierce of said Portland, in consideration thereof, and of one dollar paid by the Maine Historical Society, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, do hereby give, grant and convey unto the said Maine Historical Society, its successors and assigns forever, a certain lot of land together with the buildings thereon, situated in Portland aforesaid on the Northerly side of Congress Street and bounded thus, viz.: beginning on the line of Congress Street at the Westerly corner of the Preble House lot, thence running Westerly by said street sixty-six and one-half (66 1-2) feet to the Easterly corner of the Morton property, owned by the P. H. and J. M. Brown Company, and from these two bounds extending back from Congress Street, keeping the width of sixty-six and one-half feet, two hundred and thirty-five (235) feet more or less to land of the late Rev. Samuel Longfellow.

This conveyance is made upon the following conditions, viz.:

FIRST. That said Society shall within six months from my decease agree to the conditions of this deed, and engage to make its home for its Library and Cabinet, and its ordinary meetings upon the premises.

SECOND. That the said Society shall preserve the main house thereon, and the front rooms on the first floor, substantially as they now are; having however liberty to remove the small office and the ell for the purpose of erecting a hall in the rear and connecting with the house for the accommodation of its Library and Cabinet.

In case the main house is within two years from my decease injured by fire to such an extent that the Grantee deems it too costly to restore it, then this deed shall be void.

THIRD. That said Society shall within nine months of my decease engage to erect such Hall, and shall commence the erection thereof within two years, and pursue the same with reasonable diligence, and when completed remove thereto its Library and Cabinet.

FOURTH. Said House and Hall shall be used solely for the appropriate purposes of said Society and other societies of a similar character, such as now enjoy privileges in the rooms at present occupied by the Maine Historical Society.

This conveyance is made with the expectation and request that no alienation shall be made of the property for a period of fifty years from the date of this deed.

FIFTH. The two front rooms upon the first floor of the House are to be kept with appropriate articles for a memorial of the home of Longfellow.

SIXTH. No other buildings during the above mentioned period except the Library shall be erected on the premises within one hundred feet of Congress Street.

SEVENTH. This deed shall not take effect until my death.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforegranted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereof to said Grantee, its successors and assigns forever, but subject to the foregoing conditions.

And I do covenant with the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, that I am lawfully seized in fee of the premises: that they are free of all incumbrances: that I have good right to give and convey the same to the said Grantee to hold as aforesaid: and that I and my heirs shall and will warrant and defend the same to the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of April, A. D. 1895.

ANNE L. PIERCE. (L.S.)

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of
LEWIS PIERCE.

State of Maine,
County of Cumberland. April 27th, 1895.

Then personally appeared the above-named Anne L. Pierce and acknowledged to above instrument to be her free act and deed.

Before me,
(L.S.) LEWIS PIERCE, *Notary Public.*

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ows of the opposite shore, deepened, on one edge, into the blacker hues of the woodlands and fields, and, on the other, softened into the silvery tints of the water"—or of driving to the beautiful promontory and heights north of the city, towards Falmouth, or to Stroudwater, Westbrook and Gorham.

It was here, in this home, he lingered by the bedside of his loved and honored father, and, when all was over and he was returning to Cambridge, the stones on the hillside in our Western Cemetery, gleaming white, seemed in the sensitiveness of his grief to wave to him his father's last adieu.

The old First Parish church, where he was accustomed to worship and whose pastor was his lifelong friend, still stands near by, just as when the young Longfellow left our city.

Mrs. Pierce's deed makes the Historical Society trustee, on certain terms, to hold the title and to keep the property in its present condition, as a memorial of the poet in all the future. Besides careful provisions to this end, the Historical Society is required to make its own permanent home upon the premises, to erect in the rear of the house a hall for its cabinet and library, and to remove them there within reasonable time, there to remain. The place of deposit for the Society's valuable collections, published and unpublished, must of course be in a building of fireproof construction.

At its annual meeting in June, 1901, the Historical Society decided to accept this generous gift, thereby engaging to fulfil the conditions of the deed. To meet them all in their full meaning and spirit, as the Society is now bound to do, a fund of from seventy-five to a hundred thousand dollars will be required.

The Historical Society was doubtless selected as a trustee, in this instance, because of its interest in all that tends

to illustrate the history of Maine, or to perpetuate the monuments of its past; but it is not a moneyed institution and has no fund available for this purpose. Its acceptance of the gift and assumption of the obligation of the deed proceed upon the feeling that the rare munificence of Mrs. Pierce is not a thing to be refused; upon the belief, also, that an imperative public duty requires the preservation of property so rich in associations, memorable as they are imperishable, and that public regret, tending almost to indignation, would follow the destruction of it or its abandonment to business purposes. The Society confidently expects that, while it has not itself the resources required to meet the obligations it has undertaken, the citizens of Portland and of the State of Maine, natives of Maine who are now resident beyond its limits, many of whom have won wealth and honor abroad, and admirers everywhere of the most loved and most illustrious of American poets, will be glad to aid the Society in fulfilling its duty as trustee for the public under this deed from Mrs. Pierce; so that it may be able to hold in perpetuity, and to preserve from generation to generation, the home where the boyhood and youth of Longfellow dreamed and aspired, from which his footsteps set forth to the larger fields where his genius was to do its beautiful and beneficent work for the world, and to which they always fondly returned.

The charm of deep sensibility, of early and affectionate memory, as all the world knows, is in every line of Longfellow's letters and poems which touch upon this old home. The house remains as he remembered it in his boyhood, the atmosphere of the place full of recollections of him in that bright period when

> . . . . . the boy's will was the wind's will
> And the thoughts of youth were long, long thoughts,

when the lingering impression silently stole upon his mind of shadowy lines of trees,

"The sheen of the far-surrounding seas,
* * * *
And the beauty and mystery of the ships,
And the magic of the sea."

Here are his own rooms, where visions, glimmering upon his thought at night during laborious days were written out in sentences of "airy gold" by his patient hand; the windows from which he and his distinguished brothers, when they were young, were accustomed to look out upon the mountains and the sea; the scene of the beautiful home life, of which his poetry is perhaps the tenderest and truest expression in all the range of our language, of fireside memories, which shine in many passages of his later works, the radiance of which was a subtle influence to mould his life and character to the beauty of his own ideals.

Years ago, when it was proposed to erect in Portland a statue of Longfellow, our Longfellow Statue Association said: "It would be a strange neglect of a beautiful and approved custom, both of ancient and of modern times, if the traveler, familiar with the poet's life and works, with the sculptures which preserve his face and figure and attest his fame and influence in other cities and lands, were to find, at his birthplace, no worthy memorial of him."

The response to this appeal was immediate. A noble statue of the poet now graces Longfellow square.

The question is no longer one of erecting a monument to his memory, but of keeping intact for all coming time a monument already built, more intimately associated with his life and thought, more eloquent of him, than it would be possible now to construct of marble or of bronze.

Within the limits of our State is there a memorial of the past, the loss of which would cause so universal regret over the preservation of which so many family circles would rejoice?

The hearty coöperation of the entire community is earnestly solicited; children, in the poetry of whose lives he so delighted to share, whose voices were to him as the sound of glancing waters in the desert, with love for whom his pages glow; men and women, who find in his writings something to heighten the joy of the happiest moments, as well as to mitigate the bitterness of life's recurring sorrows, all are invited. The place will be sacred to the lovers of Longfellow the world over.

While it is believed that those who can will give generously, the smallest contributions will be welcomed, and it is hoped that those whose means are not equal to their will to help, will not be deterred from giving because others are in a position to contribute more largely than they.

The names of all who subscribe will be enrolled in a volume, to be always open to visitors at the Longfellow house.

Contributions may be sent to Fritz H. Jordan, Esq., Treasurer, Portland, Maine. They will be at once directly acknowledged to those from whom they are received, and the fund will be kept wholly separate as "The Longfellow Memorial Fund of the Maine Historical Society," until applied to the use for which it is given.

The Maine Historical Society, by

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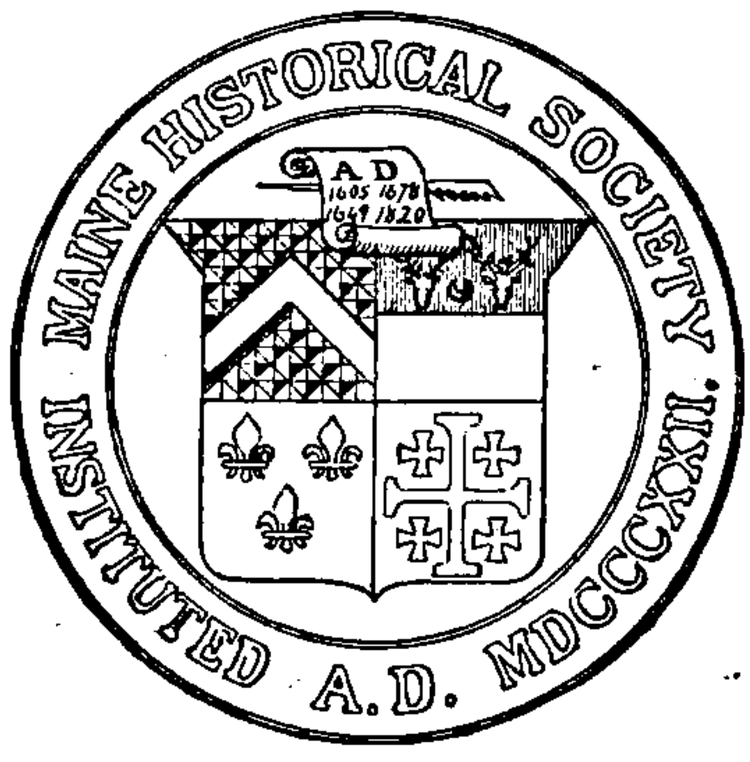

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PROCEEDINGS.

JANUARY 30, 1902.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland and, in the absence of the president, Rev. Dr. Burrage took the chair at 2.30 P. M.

Mr. Samuel T. Dole, of South Windham, read a paper on Lormon Rhodes, the colored patriot of Windham, who joined the Continental Army and passed that memorable winter at Valley Forge, and finally gave his life to his country.

Hon. George F. Emery read a brief paper on the error of the use of coat armor or heraldry in America.

Mr. Bryant, recording secretary, in acknowledging the gift from the late Father O'Brien, made the following remarks:

On the 12th of November last there passed away at Bangor one of our resident members, the Rev. Michael Charles O'Brien, whose knowledge of the aboriginal language of New England, the Abnaki tongue, was unequalled. It is creditable to our Society that twenty years ago we recognized his scholarship and elected him a resident member.

He read before the society a paper on the Abnaki noun and hoped he should find time from his professional duties to prepare other papers, but the pressure upon his time was too great and we fear that many years may elapse before another may take up the study and complete Father O'Brien's work.

It will be remembered that he was with us on our field day excursion to Norridgewock and Waterville a few years ago.

Our associate member, Mr. Boardman, editor of the Bangor Commercial, in an editorial makes his tribute to Father O'Brien from which I quote:

"Having been sent as a priest to the church at Oldtown in 1877 Father O'Brien commenced the study of the Abnaki language, in order that he

might more effectually administer to the spiritual necessities of that remnant of this ancient tribe of aborigines living in that town. He made an exact and thorough study of the language so as to speak it with readiness. To his church, to this community, to the State, to universal learning, the death of Father O'Brien is a serious loss, and the people of Bangor, where he was best known, will bear witness to his devotion, his high character, his regard for the good of this city and for all the best interests of the community."

By his will, Father O'Brien has bequeathed to our society his manuscripts and printed volumes, among these latter being the following: Trumbull's Indian Names in Connecticut, Laurent's Abnakis and English Dialogues, Field's Essay towards an Indian Bibliography, Ruttenberger's Indian Tribes of the Hudson River, Maurault's History of the Abnakis, Vetromile's Abnakis and other volumes, Iroquois Syllabary, Sacombe's Dictionary of the Cris Language, The Missionary's Companion on the Pacific Coast, Cuoq's Lexicon of the Iroquois, Bellenger's Grammar of the Micmac, Bressani's Account of the Jesuit Missions, Bishop Baraga's Grammar and Dictionary of the Otchipwe Indians, Nickola Tenesle's Etchemin and Mik Mak Indian Language and Customs, Jonathan Trumbull's History of the Discovery of America.

These are among the most important items of Father O'Brien's bequest and will form a memorial of him to be kept for years in our library.

March 27, 1902.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. by the president.

The librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, read the following report of accessions:

Since our report of December last we have received the various Maine State Reports from the State library.

Poor's R. R. Manuals, Isaac Dean Genealogy, Fifth Bean Reunion, from J. H. Drummond.

Around the Pan at Buffalo, from the publishers.

Old Eliot Hammond Memorial, from Dr. J. L. M. Willis.

Volume XII Maryland Archives, from the Maryland Historical Society.

Bar Harbor Imprints, Maine Press Association Reports, from Joseph Wood.

Reports and Memoirs of the Peabody Museum, completing our set, from Prof. F. W. Putnam.

The English Pilot for 1792. Seamen's Guide for 1800, from George C. Owen.

Numbers of the Mechanic Falls Ledger containing early records of Bakerstown and Poland, from Charles E. Waterman, also from J. W. Penney.

Presbyterian Council Proceedings, M. B. Anderson's Works, Mulcahey's Inspiration of History, Williams Eras and Characters of History, all from Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Peace Society Tracts, from Mrs. H. J. Bailey.

Osgood's Report on the New York Archives, from Charles E. Clarke.

State Reports, from S. W. Mathews.

Memoir and Oration of Charles S. Daveis, from E. H. Daveis.

Services of Colonel Francis Downman, from Robert H. Gardiner.

Sermons, Addresses and Early News of the Essex Gazette, from Daniel W. Fox.

Reports on Public Records of Massachusetts, from Robert T. Swan.

Collections and Addresses, from the New York Historical Society.

Publications of the Oregon Historical Society, from George H. Himes.

Addresses at Wiscassett, from Rev. John Gregson.

Maryland as Palatinate, from Miss Lippincott.

The Biblia, from Miss Senter.

Volume VIII collections, from the Connecticut Historical Society.

Proceedings Bostonian Society, from R. G. F. Candage.

Masonic Publications, from Stephen Berry.

Bulletins from the New York Public Library and the Boston Public Library.

Changes in Names by the Legislature of Maine 1820 to 1895, from the compiler, Marquis F. King.

A brief MS. diary, written by Miss E. Coffin of Buxton in 1832, from W. S. Moulton.

The complete records of the second church of Kittery now Eliot, have been copied and placed in our library for the use of all interested.

From various sources, purchase and exchange have been added to the library:

History of Plymouth, England. Hunt's Century of Dishonor. Paton's History of the United States. Journal kept by a Prisoner of Dartmoor.

Lincoln's Campaign of 1860. Cowper's Centennial. Franklin's Works.

The Virginia Campaign of 1865. Codman's History of Arnold's Expedition to Quebec.

Diaries and Letters of Governor Thomas Hutchinson.

Histories of Fort Fairfield, Litchfield and Leeds, Maine.

Wallmaps of Somerset and of Kennebec Counties.

The publications of the Topsfield Historical Society.

Harris Epitaphs at Watertown.

Packard's Coast of Labrador.

Brook's Life of General Knox.
Rev. Henry B. Smith's Life and Letters.
Life of General William Heath.
Shailer Mathew's French Revolution.
Green's Short history of the English people.
Our thanks are due also to the several colleges and institutions of learning throughout New England for their catalogues and annual reports, also to associates all over the United States for their annual publications.

Charles E. Brown, the well known Eastport photographer, has presented to the Maine Historical Society, finely colored photographs, of large size, of Capt. Sopiel Selmore and his wife, Mary, in full tribal dress. Capt. Sopiel is a full-blooded Abnaki, has never learned to speak the English language with facility, is a devoted Christian and has for many years been the chief of the Passamaquoddy Indians, living in their principal village at Pleasant Point in the town of Perry, Me.

He is a man of fine presence and leads his people in tribal matters with great dignity and wisdom; he is held in the highest esteem by his white neighbors. He was born in Perry, July 10, 1803, and is consequently in his 98th year. He has been twice married, the photograph presented by Mr. Brown being that of his second wife, who is many years his junior. Both photographs were taken last year.

Capt. Sopiel is a member of the Maine Society of Sons of the American Revolution, and one of the very few living sons of fathers who figured in the scenes of the Revolution. He is a son of Capt. Selmore Soetomah, who with others of his tribe served under Col. John Allan in service on the eastern frontier and was living as late as 1860, being then 103 years old. He was the leader of a band of fifty Indians who captured an armed British schooner in Passamaquoddy bay during the Revolution and delivered her to Col. Allen. Capt. Sopiel follows the Indian custom of making the Christian name of his father his own surname.

Mr. S. B. Cloudman of Gorham read a paper on the "Old Time Militia" and the "Annual General Muster." The paper was largely reminiscent and called forth agreeable recollections from Mr. George F. Emery, Rev. B. P. Snow and Rev. H. O. Thayer.

Hon. Horace H. Burbank of Saco read a paper on Governor James Sullivan who was a native of Maine and a very distinguished citizen.

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read and copies requested for the Society's archives.

Adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

At the evening session Hon. George F. Emery of Portland read a paper entitled, "How Our Fathers Lived."

A closing tribute was paid to our ancestors, whose hardships, self denials, labors and exposures in carving from a rugged soil and the primeval forest, farms and homes, seem to be forgotten in the comforts and luxuries of the present day. On us, their posterity, rests a debt of gratitude which should never be forgotten.

Adjourned.

MAY 16, 1902.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., Professor Henry L. Chapman of Brunswick in the chair.

Hon. Joseph Williamson of Belfast read a paper on "The Projected Separation of Maine from Massachusetts in 1764." The paper was founded on documents found in England recently through the medium of the Historical Manuscripts Commission.

Mr. Andrew A. Melvin read brief extracts from his notes on the journal of James Melvin, a private soldier in Colonel Arnold's expedition to Quebec of 1775.

The customary votes of thanks were passed for the papers read and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

JUNE 24, 1902.

The annual meeting was held at the Cleaveland Lecture Room at Brunswick, June 24, 1902, and was called to order at 2.00 P. M. by the president, Mr. Baxter.

Members present: Messrs. Allen, Baxter, Burrage, Brown, Bryant, Henry L. Chapman, Conant, J. L. Chamberlain, Drake, Elder, Fellows, Glidden, Goold, Jordan, Lee, Lewis, Little, Perkins, P. M. Reed, Safford, Stubbs, Stilphen, Weeks, Willis, Williamson, Wood.

Mr. Allen was appointed secretary *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. Goold it was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last annual meeting, as they had been printed.

The annual reports of the librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, were read by him and accepted.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary and biographer, Mr. Williamson, was read by him and was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Jordan, was read by him and was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

On motion the president appointed a committee to nominate a board of officers for the ensuing year consisting of Messrs. Williamson, Chapman and Drake. The committee retired and shortly afterwards reported that they had agreed upon a renomination of the former board of officers with the name of George A. Emery of Saco on the Standing Committee in place of the late Edward P. Burnham.

The Rev. Dr. Burrage, on the part of the special committee on the library for the disposal of the Society's publications, made a report on the work they had accomplished.

It was voted to refer the reprinting of Volume II of the first series to the standing committee.

No objection being made the ballot for the officers for the ensuing year was deposited and they were declared elected.

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The treasurer, Mr. Jordan, made a detailed report of the receipts and expenditures of the homestead fund, which was also accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

It was voted that the homestead committee be continued, with power to fill vacancies, also with power to appoint a committee to have charge of the construction of the new library building.

Voted, to extend the thanks of the Society to each member of the Longfellow family for their interest and efforts in rendering assistance to the Society for the preservation of the Wadsworth-Longfellow home.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Burrage it was voted that a committee of three be appointed to consider in what way the societies now occupying the library room of the Maine Historical Society may best be provided for in the proposed new building. The chair accordingly appointed Messrs. Burrage, Brown and Conant as said committee.

It was proposed to amend Section 2 of the By-laws by striking out "and shall not exceed two hundred in number."

Messrs. Conant, Chamberlain and Burrage were appointed by the chair to distribute, count and assort ballots for the election of members, with the following result:

For resident members:

Charles Sumner Cook, Portland.
Prof. A. L. P. Dennis, Brunswick.
George W. Drisko, Machias.
James E. Dunning, Portland.
Charles Fobes Flagg, Portland.
Charles H. Payson, Portland.
George M. Seiders, Portland.
Albert M. Spear, Gardiner.
Rev. Harry P. Seymour, Portland.
Archie Lee Talbot, Lewiston.
Henry S. Webster, Gardiner.
Hon. William P. Whitehouse, Augusta.
Rev. Samuel Worcester, Portland.

For corresponding members:

Edward King, New York.
Alexander W. Longfellow, Boston.
Richard King Longfellow, Boston.
Ellis B. Usher, La Crosse, Wis.
Henry Ernest Woods, Boston.

On motion it was voted to petition the next legislature to amend Section 1 of the charter, increasing the amount of the real and personal estate to be held by the Society and that the treasurer, Mr. F. H. Jordan, have the matter in charge.

Adjourned.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, MAINE, JUNE 24, 1902.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

SIRS: —

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year:

DR.

1901.		
June 26,	Balance on hand as per last report,	$ 921.99
July 12,	Bond St. Louis & San Francisco R. R., N. W. Division, called 102½,	1,025.00
	Scrip Chicago and West Michigan R. R., paid,	170.00
	Income of invested funds,	593.96
	Income of Walker fund,	60.00
	Admittance fees, 15 new members, at $10,	150.00
	Annual dues, 145 members, at $3,	435.00
	Arrears of quarterlies,	88.00

July 12.	Sales of Society's publications,	$ 296.75
	Sales of duplicates, &c, $3.25, for sundries, $10,	13.25
	State of Maine for 500 copies, Vol. VIII, Doe Series,	1,000.00
		$4,753.95

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Union Safe Deposit Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00
Salary of librarian and assistant, April 1, 1901 to April 1, 1902,	300.00
Bond St. Louis & San Francisco 4 per cent. refunding mortgage, $1,000,	975.00
Bond Union Traction Co., $1,000 at 5 per cent. At 102½,	1,025.00
Additions to library and cabinet,	46.08
Additions to library, account Walker fund,	55.75
Arrears of Quarterlies, 1901,	415.58
Labor, cataloguing, &c,	153.00
Binding for library,	26.25
Binding 150 copies Vol. VII,	37.50
Printing By-laws, Proceedings, &c.,	83.25
Postage, sundries, &c.,	88.86
Rebates to members on Quarterly for 1900,	100.50
Rebates to members on Quarterly for 1901,	84.00
Balance on hand,	1,338.18
	$4,753.95

Of the above balance $809.42 is due the Walker fund.

The invested funds of the Society consist of stocks and bonds of the par value of $16,520, $1,000 of which belongs to the Walker fund.

The treasurer is pleased to report that the change in the By-laws adopted at the last annual meeting, levying an assessment of three dollars per annum upon each resident member has apparently met with the approval of the members. The Society has received a considerable income from this source and the members are better satisfied to pay an annual due of three dollars than to pay the same amount as subscription to the Quarterly.

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

BRUNSWICK, MAINE, JUNE 24, 1902.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society.

SIRS: —

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures of the Longfellow Memorial Fund for the past years.

DR.

1901.		
Aug. 1 to Oct. 19.	Admittance fees to Wadsworth Longfellow House,	$ 703.30
	Profit on sale of photographs at house,	27,33
	Legacy from estate of Ex-Pres. Jas. W. Bradbury,	1,000.00
	Individual subscriptions,	4,732.00
	Ladies' Longfellow Aid Committee,	1,250.00

Aug. 1 to Oct. 19.	Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter Daughters of the Revolution,	$100.00
	Mrs. Mary L. Greenleaf for repairs to exterior of house,	500.00
	Interest,	28.17
		$8,340.80

DR.

General expenses of Committee:		
Printing, postage, &c, reports,	$ 34.75	
Printing and postage 7,000 appeals,	249.35	
Clerical work, issuing same,	58.60	
Engraving, postage and sundries,	37.68	
		$ 380.38
House expenses:		
Insurance,	$ 20.00	
Fuel and water,	60.50	
Janitor and maid,	46.64	
Sundries,	66.14	
		$ 193.28
Repairs to exterior of house,		421.41
Balance in treasury,		7,345.73
		$8,340.80

In addition the following amounts have been pledged to the fund:

Subscriptions obtained by Hon. Joseph W. Symonds,	$5,000.00
Seth M. Milliken, New York,	500.00

W. W. Brown, Portland,	$ 650.00
Society of Colonial Dames in the State of Maine,	600.00
	$ 6,750.00

Grand total available for the construction of the building, $14,095.73.

Of the above-named individual subscriptions $9,715 is from citizens of Portland and including the legacy $4,275 is from members of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WADSWORTH-LONGFELLOW HOUSE IN PORTLAND.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

On January 25, 1901, immediately after the death of Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce, a meeting of the Maine Historical Society was held in Portland, and Gen. John Marshall Brown, Mr. Henry Deering, Mr. Fritz H. Jordan were appointed a committee to take into consideration the gift to the Society of the Wadsworth-Longfellow house in Portland. That committee reported, recommending that the gift be accepted and that a committee of twelve be appointed to take custody of the property and in general to make all arrangements to carry out the purposes of the gift and its acceptance. This report, together with much data regarding the house and gift has already been published in the proceedings of the Society.

A committee of thirteen was appointed which, with President Baxter made fourteen, consisting of Gen. John

Marshall Brown, Hon. Eugene Hale, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Rev. John Carroll Perkins, Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Henry Deering, Esq., Hon. John F. Hill, Hon. William P. Frye, Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Hon. Joseph W. Symonds, Hon. Charles F. Libby, Franklin A. Wilson, Esq., Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

This committee met for organization in Portland, July 15, 1901. Mr. Jordan was elected treasurer, Mr. Perkins was elected secretary. Mr. Symonds and Mr. Chapman were appointed a committee to prepare an appeal to the public for assistance in fulfilling the terms of the deed of gift. Mr. Brown, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Deering and Mr. Perkins were appointed a committee for the raising of funds.

So soon as the conditions of the gift and the purposes of the Society became known to the public there was a marked expression of sympathy in the whole project. This was especially so among the various patriotic and historical organizations of women in Portland and the State. There was generous eagerness to aid the Society in any possible way. As a result, a conference was held between the committee for the raising of funds and about ten organizations of women, on July 26. These societies formed themselves into a committee, of which Mrs. George S. Hunt of Portland was made chairman, to devise methods of raising money to assist the Society in its task. Similar sympathetic efforts were undertaken and carried out by other organizations in Portland and the State, none of which was more interesting to your committee than the raising of a considerable sum by the inmates of the Old Ladies' Home in Portland. How well and in what various ways this committee succeeded, the report of your treasurer shows.

On August 13, an appeal to the public, prepared by the committee for that purpose, was published in the daily

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library building upon the land immediately back of the house. The committee have considered this matter with due seriousness, have consulted with architects and sought varied advice. They have engaged Mr. Alexander Wadsworth Longfellow of Boston, a nephew of Mrs. Pierce, to prepare plans for the new library building, with Mr. F. H. Fassett of Portland as associate architect. Your committee recommends that the new library building be erected against the eastern line of the property, and as far back from Congress street as shall appear advisable to the architects. It is in this way only that the old-fashioned garden, so precious to the family through many generations, and so indispensable to the new building for light and space and beauty, can be preserved. One of the great charms of the present house is the vista through the main hall and into the old sunny garden. It is the opinion of the committee that this vista be kept.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CARROLL PERKINS,
for the committee.

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE LIBRARY AND CABINET, JUNE 24, 1902.

Once again I am privileged to make report to you on the growth of the library. We find that during the past twelve months have been added 409 bound volumes and 482 pamphlets. Our library now numbers nearly 14,000 bound volumes.

Through the generous gift of the Thurston family of local histories and genealogies, the library has been especially enriched in this direction. Many desirable volumes have also been added through the efforts of your library committee.

We have perfected our set of the publications of the Royal Society of Canada in both series and made a good beginning on a set of the Bancroft's California and Pacific Coast history.

The treasurer's report will give the amount of cash paid for books and besides this we have added sixty dollars' worth of books to the library, paid for in miscellaneous duplicates. Some needed binding, has been done at a moderate cost.

A noticeable feature of the year's progress is the gift of the printed works and MSS. relating to the American Indians and their languages from the late Rev. M. C. O'Brien, a resident member.

The cataloguing of the bound volumes on the main floor of the library has been completed by Mr. Thayer.

A useful piece of work has been done by Mr. William L. Fernald in a copy of the records of the 2d Church of Kittery from 1721 to 1827. It comprises about 200 pages.

The coming year, it is believed, will be productive of several works of local Maine history that will prove of equal importance to any that have preceded them.

We learn that the new history of Gorham is being printed and may be looked for in the autumn.

Mr. Stackpole writes of his history of Kittery that the first part is already in type. It will probably make 800 pages and will be especially rich in the genealogy of Kittery families.

Mr. Cole of Buckfield reports that his history is also nearly completed and will see the light within the year.

Mr. Drisko of Machias writes that the people of Washington County are enthusiastic about his work and are freely contributing to it both to the history of the town and the history of the county.

Mr. N. H. Libby of Bridgton is collecting material for a history of that town and Mr. J. M. Benjamin of Winthrop

has much important material for a new history and we trust he may live to publish it.

The centennial celebrations occurring this year in Baldwin, York, Waterville and Lincolnville should result in the preparation and publication of good histories of those towns.

Much important local history is contributed to our newspapers through the efforts of Mr. L. B. Chapman, Mr. Nathan Goold and Mr. J. W. Penney and no doubt by others in other parts of the State.

We are glad to see that Dr. Willis of Eliot proposes to continue his periodical devoted to the history of old Eliot.

The reprint of the diary of Peter Edes, edited by Mr. Samuel L. Boardman and printed at Bangor, also the reprint of the diary of James Melvin, a private soldier in Arnold's expedition to Quebec, edited by A. A. Melvin and printed in Portland, are literary events worthy of especial note.

A biography of Moses Greenleaf with his unpublished letters and a bibliography of engraved maps of Maine is being prepared by his grandson, Judge Edgar C. Smith.

The past year has not brought in many important contributions to the cabinet and picture gallery. A praiseworthy tendency of the age is to make collections and present them to societies such as ours and to public institutions. We have reason to believe that there are important collections of stone implements, relics of the Civil War, American engraved portraits and some other special collections intended for us and in fact we are authorized to say that it is the intention of Mrs. E. E. Eastman of Portland, at some future day to give to the Society her extensive and valuable collection of china and pottery.

Our prospective building cannot be made too large, for in a brief score of years we, too, shall have a centennial celebration and shall need plenty of space to exhibit the treasures that will be given us.

FIELD DAY EXCURSION.

August 5, 1902.

By invitation of the town of York's 250th Anniversary Celebration Committee, the members of the Society with their friends were cordially invited to attend the celebration on the fifth day of August. The following party attended: Mr. James P. Baxter, Mr. Percy P. Baxter, Miss Emily Baxter, Miss Madeline Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bryant, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Burrage, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Buffum of North Berwick, Mr. Edward A. Butler of Rockland, Gen. J. L. Chamberlain, Mr. Henry Deering, Mr. Nathan Goold, Mr. Isaac M. Emery of Kennebunkport, Mrs. Harmon, Miss J. Crie, Miss Helen M. Howarth, Miss Frances Howarth, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Moulton, Mr. Augustus F. Moulton, Mr. A. R. Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Talbot of Lewiston, Mr. Richmond of Buffalo, N. Y., Mr. Frederick S. Vaill, Mr. Joseph Wood, Dr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Weeks, Miss Weeks, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. M. Willis.

The following program was well carried out:

Tuesday, August 5th.

At sunrise and sunset a salute will be fired from the Palo Alto Gun on Paul Hill under direction of the Hon. Edward C. Moody, and the church bells will be rung.

The Parade.

Mr. J. Perley Putnam, Marshal.

Aids—Mr. W. J. Simpson, Mr. W. T. Keene, Mr. A. M. Bragdon, Mr. Frank H. Ellis, Mr. Joseph P. Bragdon, Mr. Fred G. Winn.

The parade will form at 9 o'clock A. M., at York Beach, and at 10 A. M. will move by Long Beach and York Harbor to York Village and York Corner, returning to York Village for Commemoration Exercises.

Order of Parade.

Marshal and Aids.
Mounted Escort.
The Marine Band of the Navy Yard at Kittery, Me.
Detachment U. S. Marines.

Floral Parade.
The Public Schools.
Historical Parade Illustrating
Incidents and Characters in the History of York.

TABLEAUX ON FLOATS.

I.

1614.

Captain John Smith, unfolding his "Great Map of New England" before Prince Charles, who names this locality Boston, and Mount Agamenticus "Snadoun Hill."

II.

1631-2.

Col. Walter Norton, and Colonists from Bristol, England, sent by Gorges to take possession "by which the foundation of the plantation was laid."

III.

1642.

Thomas Gorges, Mayor of Gorgeana, Roger Garde, Recorder; "Sergants of Ye White Rod," and Aldermen.

IV.

1652.

Massachusetts Bay Colony assumes control. Right Worshipful Sir Richard Bellingham and Sheriff Norton. Edward Godfrey refuses to submit, resolving to exercise jurisdiction "until it shall please Parliament otherwise to order."

V.

1692.

Sack and Massacre by French and Indians. Killing of Rev. Shubael Dummer, first pastor of the Parish, at his house near Roaring Rock.

VI.

Christian Sachem St. Aspinquid on Mt. Agamenticus.

VII.

1745-47.

Sir William Pepperrell presenting Col. Jeremiah Moulton with silver tankard, a gift from King George II. for valiant conduct at Louisborg.

VIII.

1761.

Major Samuel Sewall builds "The Great Bridge" over York River; first pile draw-bridge in America.

IX.

1774.

Daniel Moulton, Town Clerk, in Town Meeting reading "paragraph by paragraph," the resolutions asserting of "Right to Freedom," protesting against taxation without representation, and pledging support "especially to * * brethren of the Town of Boston."

X.

1775.

Volunteers ("Men of the Alarm List") under Capt. Johnson Moulton, responding to the call from Lexington, April 21st, 1775—first troops to leave Maine, in the struggle for independence.

XI.

1816.

President Monroe received by Judge David Sewall, escorted by officers of First Regiment of Maine Militia.

XII.

Characters.
The Tithing Men.
Pirate Trickey weaving his rope of sand.
Palo Alto Cannon and veteran of Mexican War.
Our Visitors from Auld Lang Syne.

COMMEMORATIVE EXERCISES.

On the Green, in the Rear of the Town Hall.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5th, 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Music, the Marine Band.
R. L. Reinewald, Bandmaster.

1. Grand March,—"Tannhauser," *Wagner*
2. Overture,—"Fest," *Leutner*
3. International Fantasia, on "Patriotic Airs of Two Continents," arr. by *Rollinson*

The Hon. Edward C. Moody will introduce the

President of the Day, Mr. Walter M. Smith

Invocation—The Rev. David B. Sewall, Former Pastor of the First Parish Church.

Reading of Psalm CXV.—The Rev. D. C. Abbott of the Methodist Church.

Commemorative Hymn, Isaac Watts

Citizen's Welcome, by the Hon. John C. Stewart

Introductory Address, by the President of the Day

Oration, by the Hon. James Phinney Baxter, President of the Maine Historical Society and of the New England Genealogical and Historical Society.

Singing, led by the band, "The Star Spangled Banner."

Short Addresses by distinguished guests, among whom will be Thomas Nelson Page, Litt. D., Samuel L. Clemens, ["Mark Twain"], Litt. D., President Tucker of Dartmouth College, Francis L. Stetson, Esq., of New York and Hon. Thomas B. Reed.

Open Air Concert by the Marine Band, on the Village Green, from 6.30 to 7.30 P. M.

Illuminated Boat Parade and Fireworks.

The Maine Historical Society, at the invitation of the committee, have made this celebration their Field Day for the present year. They will attend a reception given them by the Rev. and Mrs. Frank Sewall, at Coventry Hall, the old "Judge Sewall Mansion," between five and six o'clock.

NOVEMBER 20, 1902.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library Thursday, November 20th, 1902, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., President Baxter in the chair.

The librarian, Mr. Bryant, read a report of accessions since the annual meeting.

Rev. Dr. Burrage read a communication from Judge Williamson of Belfast presenting to the Society copies of documents from the collections of historical manuscripts belonging to the Marquis of Lansdowne and the Earl of Dartmouth.

Mr. Nathan Goold read a paper contributed by Mr. Samuel T. Dole of South Windham, concerning Paul Little, an old time worthy of Windham, who was well known also in Portland. At its conclusion Rev. Dr. Burrage spoke of the late Judge Nathan Webb and his Windham ancestry. Rev. Dr. Dalton spoke also of Judge Webb.

A paper contributed by Miss Carpenter on Ezekiel Merrill of Oxford County, 1747-1830, was read by Dr. Burrage.

Rev. Mr. Thayer, a native of Oxford County, made some remarks concerning the subject of the paper.

Adjourned at 4.30 P. M.

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Bowdoin College Centennial Proceedings.

ACCESSIONS TO THE CABINET TO NOVEMBER 20, 1902.

A cat mummy from Egypt is the gift of Mrs. E. Elizabeth Eastman. This animal was sacred to the god Bast, the Egyptian Diana and was especially worshipped at Bubastis and had a shrine at Thebes, no doubt it walked the street of Thebes three thousand years ago. It is interesting as showing the method of wrapping an animal mummy.

Continental Paper money of 1776, Facsimile of New England Courant, from George A. Harmon.

Lead bullets, relics of the Arnold Expedition of 1775, found on Dead River, from E. T. Libby of Palermo.

MS. chart of the voyage of the ship Boston Light to San Francisco in 1884, from Abbie R. Conney of Portland.

Facsimile copy of The Boston Gazette of March 12, 1770, from Mrs. M. G. Webb of Portland.

Lock of hair of the Poet John G. Whittier, from Samuel T. Pickard of Boston.

Manuscript genealogy of the Mussey family of Portland, from W. Tracy Eustis of Boston.

Oil portrait of Capt. Ezekiel Day, also his military commissions, from Mrs. Henry E. Day of Gorham.

Ten lead bullets, relics of Arnold's Expedition of 1775, found on Dead River, from S. W. Philbrick of Skowhegan,

Sword Bayonet used in the War of the Rebellion by the Zouaves, from Wm. Everett Clark of Portland.

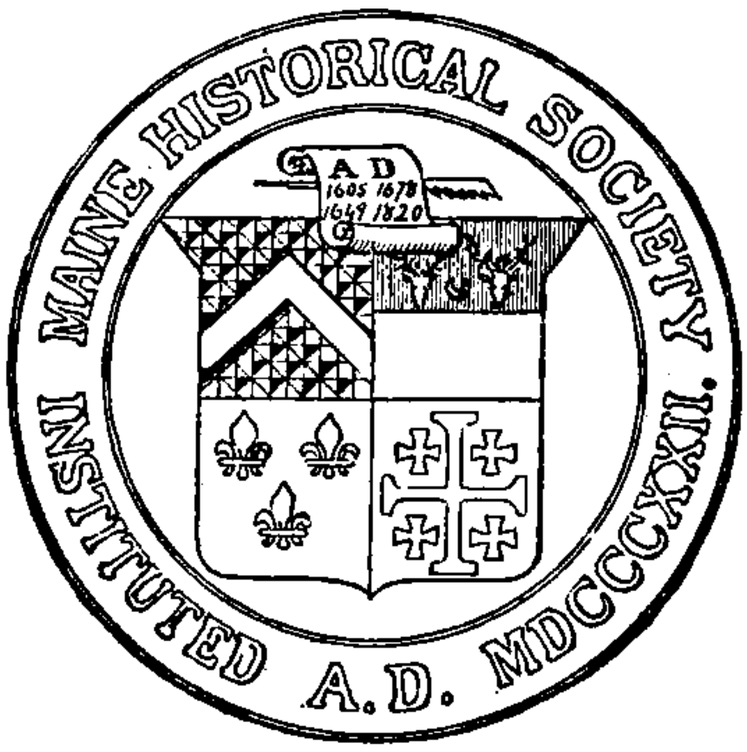
Small engraved portrait of Elder John Colby, from Miss Harriett N. Hobson.

Sundry Genealogical Records, especially of the Turner and Lowe Families, from Mrs. Cora Turner Lowe.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

MAINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.



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JANUARY 2, 1903 TO NOVEMBER 19, 1903.

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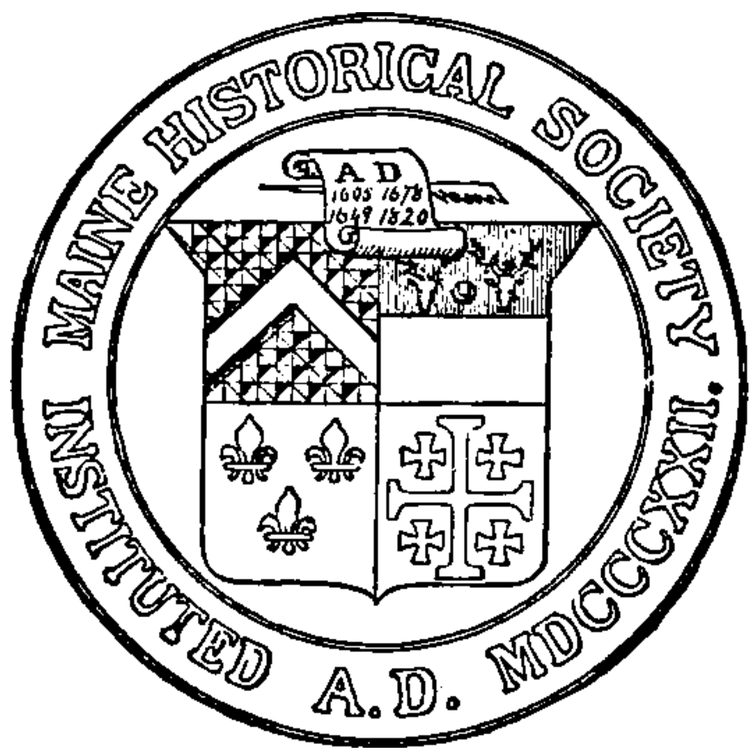
OF THE

MAINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.



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PROCEEDINGS.

JANUARY 2, 1903.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall in Portland, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., Rev. Henry O. Thayer in the chair.

Rev. Henry S. Burrage read a paper on "The Attitude of Maine in the Northeastern Boundary Controversy."

A paper on the "Ligonia, or Plough Patent," contributed by Mr. V. C. Sanborn of Chicago, was read by Mr. Nathan Goold.

Remarks were made on the papers read with votes of thanks for the same, and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

FEBRUARY 6, 1903.

A meeting of the Society was held at the Society's library hall in Portland, and was called to order by the president, Mr. Baxter, at 2.30 P. M.

A report of the accessions to the library was read by the librarian, Mr. Bryant.

The president read a brief paper on "The Voyage of Jacques Cartier to the Gulf of St. Lawrence in 1534."

Mr. George F. Emery read a paper on "Metalluc, an Indian," well known in Oxford County, Maine, seventy-five years ago.

Mr. A. F. Moulton read a paper on the "King Family Burial Lot," near Dunstan's Corner in Scarboro.

Rev. Henry O. Thayer read a full account of ancient Pemaquid and its early settlement, so far as known to historians.

Remarks were made by Rev. Dr. Burrage and others commendatory of the papers read, and votes of thanks were passed, with requests for copies of the same for the archives of the Society.

Report of accessions:

Topographical dictionary of Great Britain.
Day's Historical Collections of Pennsylvania.
Young's Chronicles of the Pilgrims.
The Whaley family record.
Boardman's edition of Peter Edes' Diary.
Life of Capt. Jeremiah O'Brien of Machias.
The Making of Rhode Island by Richman.
Abbatts illustrated edition of Sargent's life of Major Andre.
Records of the town of Weston, Mass.

Histories of Sanford, St. George, Cushing and Friendship.

Recollections of a Long Life by Joseph Packard.

Chas. P. Ilsley's Forest and Shore.

Vol. X of the Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution from Massachusetts.

Vital records of the following towns of Massachusetts: Westborough, Princeton, Walpole, Peru, Alford, Pelham, Montgomery, Hinsdale.

The works of Professor John Fiske.

The Ohio one hundred Year Book, from the State.

Proceedings of the Wyoming Commemorative Association.

Vol IX Collections of the Connecticut Historical Society. This volume contains the French and Indian war rolls.

Genealogy of the Sanborne and Sanborn Families, from V. C. Sanborn.

The Centennial History of Waterville, Maine, from the committee.

The Military History of Waterville, Maine, from General I. S. Bangs.

A quantity of the Ellsworth American, Portland Enquirer and the National Era of Washington, newspapers, from George H. Witherell of Castine.

Vol. XV Transactions of the Royal Historical Society. This has an important article on the merchant adventurers of England who did so much to colonize the District of Maine.

History of America's Cup, from Thos. W. Lawson.

Inscriptions from the ancient cemeteries of Palmer, Mass.

Typewritten copy of the History of Bowdoinham, Maine, from Captain A. Curtis.

History of Doric Lodge, Monson, Maine, from John F. Sprague.

The Hassam Family and Ezekiel Cheever, from John T. Hassam.

Records of the Union and Confederate Navy, from J. W. North.

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April 30, 1903.

A meeting was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order by the president at 2.30 P. M.

The librarian and curator read a report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Mr. Nathan Goold read a paper on "General Samuel Thompson of Topsham, a Patriot of the Revolution," and at the close displayed a bronze marker to be placed on General Thompson's grave at Topsham, on Memorial Day, by order of the Maine Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Rev. Henry O. Thayer read a paper on "The Preble Massacre at Woolwich, the Last Tragedy of the Indian Wars in Maine, June, 1758."

Interesting remarks on both the papers read were made by the president, Rev. Dr. Burrage and Rev. B. P. Snow, and the wish was expressed that these historic sites in Maine might be appropriately marked.

The committee appointed to consider the desirability of holding meetings commemorative of early voyages to the coast of Maine reported, suggesting that the Society observe the tercentenary of such voyages, commencing with that of Martin Pring in 1603, to be followed by other voyages in 1604, 1605, 1606 and 1607. The suggestion was adopted and the arrangements for these meetings was left with the committee.

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read and copies requested for the archives.

Since our report of February 6, the following accessions have been received:

Memoir of Rev. Dr. Judson, two volumes; History of the First Church, Charlestown, from Mrs. Isabel B. Hay.

Bound volume of Maine Central R. R. Reports from 1862 to 1879, from S. T. B. Jackson.

Joseph Wilder's Descendants, from Sidney A. Wilder.

Report of Commissioners of the Pemaquid Reservation, from John M. Glidden.

Adams' Memoir of Hosea Ballou, from the Universalist Publishing House.

Loyal Legion of Pennsylvania Register, from J. P. Nicholson.

Two Rhymes, from James P. Baxter.

Avery's Account of the Gibbs-Channing Portrait of Washington, from Daniel Parish, Jr.

Locke on the Understanding, formerly owned by Gen. Nathaniel Greene, from Mrs. Wm. L. Harvey.

Biography of Barnas Sears, from Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Old Charlestown, from the author, T. Sawyer.

Large lithograph portrait of James G. Blaine, from Nathan Goold.

Broadside Ballad of the Shipwreck on Richmond's Island of 1807, from John S. Locke.

Coast Survey Reports, from John Rand, Esq.

Journal of Rev. S. Constant, from Mrs. E. W. Roebling.

A large number of pamphlets, from Joseph Williamson, Jr.

The following valuable works have been added by purchase:

History of Gorham, Me.
History of Newbury, Mass.
Life of Hannah Weston.
Medfield Vital Records.
History of Abington, Mass.
Leicester Vital Records.
Freeman's Aborigines of 1620 and after.
Old Kittery and Her Families.
Memorial of the Sprague Family.
Cape Breton Illustrated.
Recollections of E. B. Washburne.
History of Deerfield, Mass.
History of Townsend, Mass.
History of Sunderland, Mass.
Centennial Celebration at Petersboro, N. H.
Moses Greenleaf and his Maps of Maine.
Register of baptisms at Beverly, Mass.
Recollections of Rev. Joseph Ricker.
The Private Soldier under General Washington.
Schouler's History of the United States.
Rhodes' History of the United States.
History of Northampton, Mass.
Families of North Bridgewater.
Appleton, Maine, Register.

MAY 22, 1903.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order by the president at 2.30 P. M.

Mr. William H. Looney read a paper on "Sergeant S. Prentiss."

Mr. Marquis F. King read a tribute to the memory of the late Josiah H. Drummond.

An evening session was held at the library, and was called to order at 7.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

The following tributes to deceased members of the Society were read:

On Samuel F. Humphrey of Bangor, by John L. Crosby.

On Thomas B. Reed of Portland, by Geo. M. Seiders.

On Lemuel H. Cobb of Portland, by Asher C. Hinds.

On Rufus K. Sewall of Wiscasset, by William D. Patterson.

On Joseph Williamson of Belfast, by Joseph Williamson, Jr.

Adjourned.

ANNUAL MEETING.

JUNE 23, 1903.

The annual meeting was held, as customary, at the Cleaveland Lecture Room, Brunswick, June 23, 1903, and was called to order at 2.00 P. M., the president in the chair.

Mr. Charles E. Allen was appointed secretary *pro tem.*

Members present: Messrs. Allen, Baxter, Belcher, Bryant, Henry L. Chapman, Crosby, Dennis, Drake, Geo. A. Emery, Goold, Jordan, King, James M. Larrabee, Lewis, Little, Manning, Perkins, Penney, P. M. Reed, Stilphen, Stubbs, Sturtevant and Wood.

Voted, to dispense with the reading of the records of the last annual meeting, as they had been printed.

The annual report of the librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, was read by him, and was approved to be placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Jordan, was read by him, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant, and it was approved.

A letter from Mr. William Freeman of Cherryfield, Me., addressed to the Rev. Dr. Burrage, was read by the president. Mr. Freeman offers to give to the Society sundry documents once the property of Judge Samuel Freeman, his grandfather.

It was voted that the thanks of this Society be extended to the Hon. William Freeman for his generous donation of valuable family papers.

On motion it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to nominate a board of officers for the ensuing year, and the following were appointed: Messrs. Goold, Belcher and Reed. The committee accordingly retired and shortly after reported upon the following ballot for the board of officers:

President—James P. Baxter.
Vice President—Henry L. Chapman.
Treasurer—Fritz H. Jordan.
Corresponding Secretary and Biographer—Samuel L. Boardman.
Recording Secretary, Librarian and Curator—H. W. Bryant.
Standing Committee—Henry S. Burrage, Henry L. Chapman, John Marshall Brown, John M. Glidden, Fritz H. Jordan, Prentice C. Manning, Franklin A. Wilson, George A. Emery, Augustus F. Moulton.

No objection being made it was voted that the secretary cast the ballot, which was accordingly done, and the officers were declared elected.

It was voted that the following names, which had been approved by the standing committee, be added to the

the regular ballot of candidates for resident members, which had been sent to each member of the Soctety one month in advance of the annual meeting:

Silas P. Maxim of South Paris.
Thomas E. Calvert of Portland.
George C. Purington of Farmington.
Everett B. Norton of Farmington.

The ballots were then distributed and the following names in addition were declared elected resident members:

Albert W. Butler of Rockland.
Isaac W. Dyer of Gorham.
Dr. Frederic H. Gerrish of Portland.
Francis B. Greene of Boothbay Harbor.
John Haley of Saco.
General Charles Hamlin of Bangor.
Darius H. Ingraham of Portland.
A. F. Lewis of Fryeburg.
William H. Looney of Portland.
Joseph H. Manley of Augusta.
Barrett Potter of Brunswick.
Harold M. Sewall of Bath.
W. D. Spencer of Berwick.
Richard Webb of Portland.
Rev. Edwin C. Whittemore of Waterville.

Hugh J. Chisholm of New York, was elected a corresponding member, and Henry Vignaud of Paris, was elected an honorary member.

Rev. John Carroll Perkins read his annual report on the Wadsworth-Longfellow House and it was accepted to be placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen it was voted that Section 16 of the By-laws be amended at the next annual meeting as follows:

Voted, That Section 16 of the By-laws be amended by inserting after the words "the president," in next to the last line of said section, the words "vice president, treasurer," so that, as amended, the last clause of said section shall read: "The president, vice president, treasurer, recording secretary and corresponding secretary shall be *ex officio* members of this committee.

On motion of Professor Chapman it was voted that the names of Mrs. Abba Goold Woolson, Miss Sarah Orne Jewett and Mrs. Kate Douglass Wiggin Riggs be added to the list of honorary members.

The question of the admission of women as resident members was briefly discussed, and finally referred to the standing committee for further action.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen it was voted that the following amendment to Section 2 of the By-laws be voted upon at the next annual meeting: to insert the words "and fifty" after the words "two hundred," so that the section shall read: "Resident members must be residents of Maine and shall not exceed two hundred and fifty in number."

On motion of Mr. Bryant, a special vote of thanks was extended to the Rev. Henry O. Thayer, who is about to remove from the State, for his contributions to the history of this State, and especially for his work in editing the reprint of volume two of the first series of the Society's collections.

On motion of Mr. King it was also voted that Mr. Thayer's name be added to the list of honorary members.

Annual reports of the Lincoln County, Kennebec County, Pejepscot, York Village and Waterville Historical Societies were read by the recording secretary.

The following were appointed by vote a committee on the field day excursion: Messrs. Baxter, Burrage and Goold, with power to appoint a sub-committee.

The treasurer, Mr. Jordan, reported that at the last session of the legislature, an amendment to the charter had been made increasing the amount of the estate to be held by the Society from $50,000 to $500,000.

On motion of Mr. Manning it was voted to authorize the secretary in behalf of this Society to write a letter to the New England Historic Genealogical Society fully

endorsing the valuable work which it is now undertaking of publishing extracts from the Wills of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury beginning in 1620, a work which cannot fail of being a great benefit to the student of history and genealogy.

It was voted that the names of delinquent members as reported to the standing committee be dropped from the roll of membership.

Mr. Jordan gave notice that an amendment to Section 8 of the By-laws would be voted upon at the next annual meeting, that members not paying dues for two years be dropped from the roll of membership.

Adjourned.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN AND CURATOR.

JUNE 23, 1903.

I have the honor to present herewith my twenty-second annual report. The past year has proved, we think, to be as the farmer says, "an off year," for the accessions number but 325 bound volumes and 410 pamphlets, not including periodicals. Our friends perhaps see that we are crowded and withhold their gifts for the time being. However, our treasury never overflows, and with cash we can buy the books most called for. As will appear by the Treasurer's report we have indulged in the luxury of some scarce and high-priced local histories.

We have subscribed for the Massachusetts Town Vital Records, published under the auspices of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, and already a dozen volumes have appeared.

We have received also ten volumes of the Records of the Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution enrolled in Massachusetts.

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the Stevens Revolutionary Facsimile Documents in 25 folio volumes.

Our library has been a popular resort for visitors. The register shows for the past twelve months the names of 1,072 ladies and gentlemen from twenty-seven states and territories. As usual it has been opened daily from 2 to 5 P. M., and for six months in the year it has been opened one evening in the week.

A very interesting memorial of the Popham Family of Littlecote is a privately printed volume, sumptuously bound, received from Watney Vernon, Esq.

We are indebted to Mr. J. M. Benjamin, of Winthrop, for copious notes of the soldiers of the Revolution identified with that town.

To the family of the late Judge Williamson we are indebted for a considerable gift of bound and unbound periodicals and pamphlets.

Mr. William Freeman, of Cherryfield, grandson of Judge Samuel Freeman, has generously contributed a quantity of his family papers to the Society's archives. These include several important letters of Revolutionary interest.

In periodicals, mostly quarterlies, we are receiving twenty different publications. As a matter of opinion, we believe this form of publication of historical papers and proceedings to be the best, although they seem never to have flourished in this State for any length of time.

Dr. Lapham, Colonel Porter, General Cilley and S. W. Watson have had their experience. Many other periodicals of a popular character, since the year 1830, have lived for a brief period only.

Although no number of the Old Eliot Historical Publication has recently appeared, we are assured that the fire is yet alive, and will soon be rekindled.

There is also some interest manifested in the continuance

of Watson's Genealogical Recorder, under the auspices of the Maine Genealogical Society.

The same Society has already undertaken the responsibility of the publication of two additional volumes of the York deeds, viz.: Volumes XII and XIII, under the patronage of the State.

A bound typewritten copy of a history of Bowdoinham is the gift of Captain A. Curtis. The original material of this history was collected by Mr. Silas Adams.

An interesting gift from Mr. A. W. Longfellow is a roller map bearing the following inscription: Map of the Country explored in the years 1817, '18, '19, '20, by orders of the Commissioners under the 5th article of the Treaty of Ghent, copied from a Government copy in the Secretary of State's office, which was loaned to me for that purpose by Governor Lincoln, which constitutes the basis from which my brother laid down the northern part of his map of Maine, 1827–28.

(Signed) SIMON GREENLEAF.

The recent publication at Bangor of Judge Edgar C. Smith's memoir of his distinguished grandfather, Moses Greenleaf, with a complete account of Mr. Greenleaf's publications and maps, is most timely and of great interest.

In this connection we may mention that we afforded Judge Smith every facility for consulting our collection of maps, but we wished at the same time that we had better space for the purpose.

Our Society will double its usefulness when our collections of maps and newspapers are made available, as we hope they may be, in our new building.

Regarding the future of the library. As we know, it has grown four-fold in twenty years, and there seems to be no limit to the possibilities of its future growth. We shall need every foot of space in the new building in justice to the requirements of the Society.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, MAINE, June 23, 1903.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

SIRS: —

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year:

DR.

1903.			
June 23.	Balance on hand June 24, 1902, as per last report,		$1,338.18
	Sale of $70 bond and scrip Chillicotte Water Co. .80,	$ 56.00	
	Income of invested funds,	665.49	
	Income of Walker fund,	60.00	
	Admittance fees 9 new members,	90.00	
	Arrears of Quarterlies,	26.00	
	Annual dues 1902, 13 members, 3,	39.00	
	Annual dues 1903, 140 members, 3,	420.00	
	Sales of Societies' Publications,	128.50	
	Sales of duplicates, etc.,	14.25	
			$2,837.42

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WADSWORTH-LONGFELLOW MEMORIAL.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

At the last annual meeting of the Society, we were able to report that we had engaged Mr. Alexander Wadsworth Longfellow of Boston, nephew of Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce, to prepare plans for the new library building, with Mr. F. H. Fassett of Portland, as associate architect. Our committee met on July 11, 1902, and appointed a special committee, consisting of Hon. James P. Baxter, LL.D., Franklin R. Barrett, Esq., Gen. John Marshall Brown, Fritz H. Jordan, Esq., Rev. John Carroll Perkins, to have charge of the construction of the new library building. This committee met on various occasions and diligently considered problems of location, plans of the house, methods of construction and like details. Under their direction the foundations of the new building were dug and laid in the fall of 1902, before the cold of winter had set in. On the 27th day of May last, the masons, F. W. Cunningham & Son, began the construction of the walls. This work is going on rapidly at the present time. The walls are regarded as superior in construction to the walls of any brick building ever erected in Portland. The iron work has been awarded to the Eastern Expanded Metal Co.; and the carpenter work to Mr. Spencer Rogers.

Meantime the Wadsworth-Longfellow House has been kept in excellent repair. The grounds have been graded to the level of the basement of the new library foundations. Wires for electric lighting have been introduced into the house, and fixtures peculiarly appropriate to the character of the building have been procured. The house thus prepared was opened to the public for the second year on

June 23, 1902, and remained open until the following 25th of October. An admission fee of twenty-five cents, as on the previous year, was required. The number of people thus visiting the house and paying for admission reached the extraordinary figures of 6,362, an average daily attendance of 51.

In the opinion of the committee it is impossible to sufficiently express the value of the services of Mr. Nathan Goold in his careful oversight of the house, bringing its historic worth and its treasures to the attention of the public, instructing the guides, who were in attendance on various days, arranging in great part the rooms of the house, remaining himself in attendance every day except one during the season, and performing by correspondence and personal oversight the vast volume of details requisite for the successful maintenance of such a memorial. His labors and time have been given out of love for the undertaking and without compensation. From June 23rd to August 1st, twenty-seven members of the Elizabeth Wadsworth chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and six members of the Daughters of the War of 1812, served in groups as guides without compensation. From August 1st until October 25th, like service was rendered by eighty-three members of the Literary Union. Mr. E. S. E. McLellan and Miss Margaret E. Fox were regularly employed for similar and other necessary service.

The house has become a chief center of attraction for the many summer visitors to Maine, who pass through Portland, and who represent practically every civilized country in the world. On the 26th day of August, President Theodore Roosevelt and suite were entertained by Hon. James P. Baxter and other members of the committee and friends. On various occasions many members of military and labor organizations have been admitted to the house in a body. The public interest in this property of

our Society, not only as the home of the Wadsworth and Longfellow families, but as a typical home of its period in New England life, continues to exceed the most sanguine anticipations of any of the friends of the undertaking and justifies its dedication to historic purposes. We are glad also to make record of the continued and very valuable generosity of members of the Wadsworth and Longfellow descendants.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, MAINE, June 23, 1903.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

SIRS: —

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures on account of the "Longfellow Memorial Fund" for the past year:

DR.

1902.			
June 24.	Balance on hand as per last report,		$7,345.73
	Individual subscriptions, as follows:		
	Subscriptions obtained by Joseph W. Symonds,	$5,000.00	
	Seth M. Milliken, New York,	500.00	
	George Nixon Black, Boston,	200.00	
	Sundry parties,	38.00	
			$5,738.00

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June 24.	Installing electric lights and fixtures,	$ 443.42
	Foundation of library building,	1,459.14
	Balance on hand available for construction,	14,242.37
		$16,778.94

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

DONORS TO THE LONGFELLOW MEMORIAL FUND.

NAMES.	AMOUNTS.
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F. R. Barrett,	500.00
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J. E. Burnham,	500.00
Henry P. Cox,	250.00
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J. W. Tabor,	100.00
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Charles F. Libby,	100.00
Harry Butler,	100.00
Elias Thomas,	100.00
Fred N. Dow,	100.00
James Cunningham,	100.00
Henry B. Cleaves,	75.00
Joseph W. Symonds,	75.00
L. M. Cousens,	50.00
Charles S. Fobes,	50.00
Frederick Robie,	50.00
Edward B. Winslow,	50.00
	$5,000.00

November 19, 1903.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall in Portland in commemoration of the early voyages to this coast in the seventeenth century, and was called to order at 7.30 P. M. by the President, Mr. Baxter, who made a brief introductory address on the "Dawn of Discovery."

Rev. Henry O. Thayer of Brooklyn, N. Y., contributed a paper on Sir Humphrey Gilbert, a pioneer voyager of the sixteenth century, which was read by Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Prof. Alfred L. P. Dennis of Bowdoin College, read a paper on Martin Pring, the last of the Elizabethan seamen.

Remarks were made commendatory of both papers, and votes of thanks were tendered for them with requests for copies.

Adjourned.

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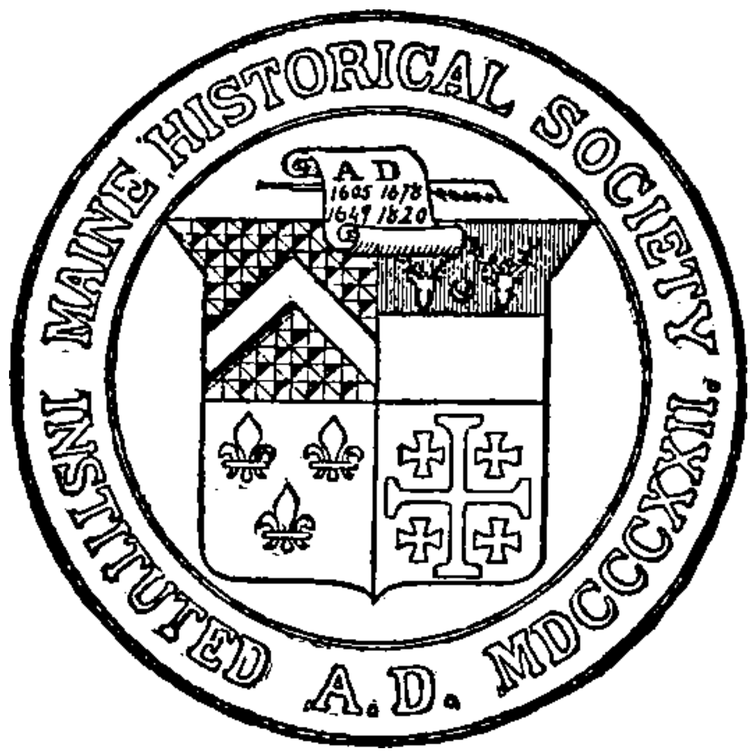

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Mr. Baxter exhibited a copy of the recently published "Waldsee-Müller Map of the World, 1507," and gave an account of its discovery and its value to geographers and historians.

Mr. Charles E. Allen of Dresden, Maine, read a paper on some of the "Most Prominent Loyalists of the Kennebec Valley."

Rev. Dr. Henry S. Burrage read a paper on "Some Ecclesiastical Beginnings in Maine."

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read and copies were requested for the archives of the Society.

Adjourned.

Report of accessions to the library:

Report on the Canadian Archives for 1902, from the Canadian government.

Report of the Auditor, City of Boston, 1902-03, from James H. Dodge.

Mary Rowlandson's Narrative, from Henry S. Nourse.

Annals of Oxford, Me., from M. F. King.

The Hamlin Family, from Gen. J. P. Cilley.

Mistress Alice Jocelyn, Her Letters, from Mrs. C. E. Cheney.

St. Croix Island, from W. F. Ganong.

Reproductions of Early Maps of New York, from the publisher, Major Tyler.

Memorial Addresses on General Logan, Dedication of Washington Monument, Maryland Editor Abroad, from Mrs. Horatio King.

Annual Reports, 1902, from the American Historical Association.

Pre-Historic Stone Mortar and Pestle, from California, and Early Lignum Vitæ Mortar, Decanters and Goblet, all from Mrs. J. A. Tenney.

Bound volume Mechanic Falls Ledger, 1902-03, from Charles E. Waterman.

Adams' Address on Noah Brooks, from W. H. Witherle.

Fiftieth Anniversary of State Street Church, Portland, from the committee.

Memoir of Joseph Williamson, from H. W. Williamson.

Numbers of Jack Downing's Gazette, from Francis E. Kimball.

Volume XII, York Deeds, from L. D. Carver.

Josiah Harris of East Machias, Me., from Herbert Harris.

State of Maine Registers, from G. M. Donham.

Tax List, Second Parish, Cape Elizabeth, from B. F. Woodbury.

Memoir of Hannah Lane Usher, from Ellis B. Usher.

Centennial Celebration at Gardiner, Me., from J. S. Maxcy.

History of the Diocese of Western New York, from Charles Wells Hayes.

Address on Albert T. Dunn, from Rev. Dr. E. C. Whittemore.

Biographies of Mayors of Portland, from Nathan Goold.

Address on Horace Gray, from Clarence Hale.

Historical Sketches, Cushing's Island, from L. B. Chapman.

Seven volumes City Documents, from City of Beverly, Mass.

Biographical Catalogue of the Bangor Theological Seminary, from Miss Green, librarian.

World of Art and Industry, 1853–54, from Miss Lucy Day.

A Juvenile Life of Gen. Peleg Wadsworth, from Miss M. K. Longfellow.

Biographical Catalogue of Philips Academy of Andover, from C. C. Carpenter.

Cumberland Bar Addresses on Nathan Webb, from Clarence Hale.

The Historie Book, from A. and H. Artillery Co.

Reminiscences of Brownfield, Me., from Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney.

Life of Abbott Lawrence and Sundry Pamphlets, from Samuel A. Green.

Medfield, Mass., 250th Anniversary Celebration, from George Washburn.

Twenty bound volumes Portland Transcript, five bound volumes Public Opinion, five bound volumes New York Weekly Tribune, 1877–80, five bound volumes Hearth and Home, 1870–73, five bound volumes London Graphic, five bound volumes Gleason's Pictorial, Illustrated History Franco-German War, five bound volumes Illustrated News and other bound volumes, all from Mrs. Charles A. Ring.

By subscription and purchase have been added to the library:

Life and Voyages of Sir Humphrey Gilbert.

Journal of Capt. William Pote, Jr.

History of Reading, Mass.

Arnold's March to Quebec.

Georgetown, Me., Vital Records.

Perkins Families in England.

The Lamb Family.

The Mount Desert Herald, Volumes I to X.

Seashore Oracle, Volumes I to X.

History of Concord, N. H.

History of Second Church, Boston.

Berkshire County Gazetteer.

Vital Records of Massachusetts Towns, Barre, Tyringham, Sudbury, Topsfield, Bedford, Malden, Rehoboth, Dudley, Manchester, Holden, Gill, Great Barrington, Washington, New Braintree.

John D. Long's History of the New American Navy.

George F. Hoar's Autobiography of Seventy Years.

Trevelyan's History of the American Revolution.

Records of Tisbury, Mass.

History of the Congregational Church of Hampstead, N. H.

Hart's Life Masks of Great Americans.
The Bay Psalm Book, Volume III, Records of Plymouth.
Life of Rev. Dr. Francis Wayland.
Smedley Family Genealogy.
History of Pittsfield, Mass.
History of Amherst, Mass.
Whiting Genealogy.
Life of Elijah Kellogg.
History of Warren, N. H.

We are indebted for favors received, to the Maine State Library, Bowdoin College, Colby College, Harvard College, Amherst College, Yale College, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester Society of Antiquity, N. E. H. Genealogical Society, Boston Public Library, New York Public Library, Massachusetts Historical Society and many other societies, libraries and individuals.

April 15, 1904.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library and was called to order by the president at 2.30 P. M.

An original full length framed portrait of Abraham Lincoln and an autograph document signed by him, from the estate of the late Noah Brooks of Castine, were presented to the Society through the agency of Mr. William H. Witherle of Castine.

Mr. S. B. Cloudman of Gorham, Maine, read a paper on the "Early Free Baptist Church at Gorham and Some of the Peculiarities of its Members."

Mr. George S. Rowell of Portland read a paper on "Sir William Howe," the British Whig General of the Revolution, who contributed to the success of the American Cause in the war of the Revolution.

Adjourned at 4 P. M.

An evening session was held at 7.30 P. M.

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Key of the Dungeon of the Old Fortress at St. Augustine, Fla., from Edw. M. Rand.

A $500 counterfeit bill on the Exchange Bank of Worcester, Mass., from William E. Gould.

Books of manuscript notes and sketches used by Wm. D. Williamson, the historian, in his History of Maine, from the son and daughter of the late Joseph Williamson.

Also added to the library by purchase: The History of Guilford, Conn.; Pearson's Life of Gov. John A. Andrew in two volumes; Ewell's Annals of Byfield, Mass.; Town Records of Marblehead, Petersham, Arlington, Waltham, Middletown, Shrewsbury.

Also added the Mitchell series of Maine, town registers as far as published. Sixteen volumes in number.

Benjamin Folsom's compilation of Biographical Sketches of Distinguished Officers of the American Navy, published in Newburyport in 1818.

Le Forestier's Journal and Autobiography.

The publications of the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, in five volumes.

ANNUAL MEETING.

JUNE 21, 1904.

The annual meeting was held at the Cleveland Lecture Room, Brunswick, Tuesday, June 21, 1904, and was called to order by the president, Mr. Baxter, at 2 P. M.

Members present: Messrs. Charles E. Allen, Henry S. Burrage, Hubbard W. Bryant, Henry L. Chapman, Fritz H. Jordan, Marquis F. King, James M. Larrabee, Leslie A. Lee, George Lewis, Weston Lewis, William D. Patterson, John C. Perkins, Asbury C. Stilphen, Albert R. Stubbs, William H. Witherle.

On motion it was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last annual meeting as they had been printed.

Mr. Charles E. Allen was appointed secretary *pro tem.*

The annual report of the librarian and curator, Mr. Bryant, was read by him, and was approved to be placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Jordan, was read by him, and it was accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

Owing to the illness of Mr. Samuel L. Boardman, the corresponding secretary and biographer, no report from him was presented.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant. The report was accepted to be placed on file, and it was voted that the secretary call special attention to the papers to be read at each notice of future meetings.

Voted, that the secretary forward to the Blundell School Library at Tiverton, England, a copy of the Popham Celebration memorial volume in the name of the Society.

Mr. Council Greeley of Chicago addressed the meeting on the subject of certain papers prepared by his father relating to his imprisonment by the New Brunswick Government and which had been given to the Society about 1860.

Voted, to loan the papers to Mr. Greeley and the matter referred to the standing committee for further action.

Voted, to refer amendment to Section 2 of the By-laws to the next annual meeting.

Voted, to amend Section 8 of the By-laws by inserting after "notified thereof" the words "or neglect to pay his annual dues for two years."

Voted, to amend Section 16 of the By-laws by inserting the words "vice president and treasurer" as *ex officio* members of the standing committee.

The chair appointed Messrs. Perkins, Chapman and Stilphen a committee to nominate a board of officers to be

elected for the ensuing year. The committee reported the following ballot, and on motion, no one objecting, Mr. Perkins was instructed to cast the ballot, which, being done, the officers were declared elected:

BOARD OF OFFICERS.

President — James P. Baxter.
Vice President — Prof. H. L. Chapman.
Treasurer — F. H. Jordan.
Corresponding Secretary and Biographer — S. L. Boardman.
Recording Secretary, Librarian and Curator — H. W. Bryant.
Standing Committee — Rev. H. S. Burrage, Portland; Gen. John M. Brown, Portland; Col. John M. Glidden, New Castle; Franklin A. Wilson, Bangor; Prentice C. Manning, Portland; George A. Emery, Saco; Augustus F. Moulton, Portland; Nathan Goold, Portland; Asbury C. Stilphen, Gardiner.

Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the committee of the St. Croix Valley at Calais the sum of fifty dollars, as a contribution of the Society in defraying the expenses of the tercentenary celebration.

On motion of Hon. M. F. King, it was voted that a committee be appointed to have in charge the King family burial lot in Scarborough. That they be authorized to receive such contributions as may be offered for the improvement of the lot or for its perpetual care, and to represent this Society in all things contemplated in the deed.

The treasurer of the Society shall be, *ex officio*, the treasurer of the committee.

The president appointed Messrs. M. F. King and A. F. Moulton of Portland, and George A. Emery of Saco, as said committee.

The following list of names proposed as resident members were voted upon by ballot, and were declared elected:

Philip Greely Brown, Portland.
Rev. Charles W. Collins, Portland.
Charles P. Gardiner, New Castle.

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ANNUAL REPORT ON THE LIBRARY AND CABINET.

JUNE 21, 1904.

Herewith, I beg to offer my twenty-third annual report on the growth of our library and cabinet. The record of accessions shows that 360 bound volumes and 462 pamphlets have been received, but, in addition, a large number of state, town and government reports were received, which, being mostly duplicates, do not count.

As is often the case, some of the most desirable gifts received for the year are from generous women — notably, the gift of Mrs. Charles A. Ring, of Portland, of sixty bound volumes of newspapers; the memorial of Fairman Rogers, from his widow; the memorial of Gen. Daniel Butterfield, from Mrs. Butterfield.

Other important gifts from private individuals are: Annals of Oxford, Me., from M. F. King; Mary Rowlandson's Narrative, from Henry S. Nourse; Mortars and Pestles, from Mrs. J. A. Tenney; Reproductions of the First Maps of New York City, from Maj. Henry D. Tyler; a bound volume of all the pamphlets by F. O. J. Smith, from Edward M. Rand.

Other gifts of note are additional letters received by Stephen Longfellow, gift of the Longfellow family; papers from the library of our honored friend, Judge Williamson, from his son and daughter; The General Register of the Society of Colonial Wars, from the secretary; also the Proceedings of the Massachusetts Society of Colonial Wars.

A considerable amount of needed binding has been done, especially in periodicals. The employment of linen

cloth or canvas has proved, so far, satisfactory. It seems to be especially fitted for books to be much handled, and is well adapted for the binding of heavy volumes of newspapers.

We desire to make a feature in our library of Maine newspapers and periodicals, and we shall be glad to pay the freight on both bound or unbound volumes. A box of early newspapers has been received from Mr. George H. Witherle, of Castine.

The Rev. Charles D. Sinnett, formerly of this state, and who has published some church history of Lebanon and Harpswell, is now living in North Dakota and announces that he is writing a history of all the families of Harpswell, Brunswick, Topsham and Bowdoinham.

Mr. Charles L. Clarke, of New York, has kindly promised us the genealogical history of the Moulton family of York for several generations.

Mr. Thomas Hillis, of South Boston, has kindly contributed another valuable genealogical paper on the Crosby family of Maine.

The study of family history seems to usurp the attention of the majority of students of history from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Family records and vital statistics are most called for by those using our library. The indications are that readers and students are more numerous than before, and that the privileges we afford are appreciated.

A continued liberal policy on the part of your library committee has resulted in many valuable local histories of Massachusetts and other states in being added to our shelves.

Cataloguing the library has been kept up since Mr. Thayer's departure last year.

We have purchased of Mr. Cartland of Pemaquid a manuscript copy of the gravestone records found in the burying ground at Pemaquid.

We should be glad to secure inscriptions from other cemeteries, especially those in the older towns of York County. The work must be done *con amore*, and without the expectation of liberal wages.

Through the aid of Mr. W. H. Witherle, of Castine, we have received from the estate of the late Noah Brooks a large original photograph of President Lincoln. Mr. Brooks prized this portrait very highly, as one of the most interesting and rarest. It was taken in the summer of 1862 in Mr. Brooks' presence.

A full account of the Gardiner Centennial Celebration of last year has been published in an attractive form, giving Mr. Maxcy's excellent historical address; also a large number of interesting illustrations of Gardiner, past and present.

The old York Historical Society is about to publish the proceedings at the 250th Anniversary Celebration of the Settlement of Old York. It will make a volume of 136 pages, and will be well bound and fully illustrated. All will be pleased to have Mr. Baxter's history of the ancient settlement in such an attractive form. The volume is edited by Mr. Frank D. Marshall.

Mr. George W. Drisko's Narrative of Machias is now ready, and it makes nearly 600 pages. It is a very readable historical narrative, but we regret to say lacks an index. Mr. Drisko will do well to publish an index at once and increase the demand for his book.

Mr. H. E. Mitchell, of Kent's Hill, has begun the publication of a series of City and Town Registers in this state. Sixteen numbers have appeared, which we have placed on our shelves. They contain considerable local history and statistics.

Mr. L. B. Chapman's Genealogy of the Southgate and allied families is quite completed. It has grown much

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Blundell's School at Tiverton, Devonshire, England on the 29th inst. This matter is of interest to us, as it is claimed that the school was organized and established by Sir John Popham, as executor for Peter Blundell.

In a lecture recently given at Tiverton, Sir John is spoken of as a colonizer and the *Founder* of *the United States*. Dealing with Sir John, as Peter Blundell's friend, the lecturer read sections of Blundell's will, in which Popham was asked to supervise the erection and organization of the school.

Sir John evidently was a man of great force and industry, and besides his many duties as a lawyer and politician found time to interest himself in the doings of the two great land companies of Plymouth and London, and thereby became, as it were, a promoter and encourager of those who sought for homes in the New World.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 21, 1904.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN: —

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 23, 1903, as per last report,	$647.48

Income of invested funds,	$711.72	
Income of Walker Fund,	60.00	
Admittance fees, 14 new members,	140.00	
Arrears of dues, prior to 1903,	22.00	
Annual dues, 1903, 17 members,	51.00	
Annual dues, 1904, 150 members,	450.00	
One life membership,	30.00	
Sales of Societies' publications,	87.05	
Sales of duplicates, etc.	18.40	
		$1,570.17
		$2,217.65

PAYMENTS.

Union Safe Deposit Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00
Salary of librarian and assistant, April 1, 1903, to March 31, 1904, inclusive,	300.00
On account Vol. I, Series 3, Societies' publications,	200.00
Premium of insurance on library,	112.50
Additions to library, account, Walker Fund,	282.58
Henry O. Thayer, labor cataloguing, etc.,	24.30
Printing,	67.50
Binding,	134.50

On account De Monts celebration,	$ 9.00	
Sundries,	99.46	
		$1,254.84
Balance on hand,		962.81
		$2,217.65

Of the above balance, $491.04 belongs to the Walker Fund.

The invested funds of the Society consist of stocks and bonds of the par value of $17,000, $1,000 of which belongs to the Walker Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer*.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 21, 1904.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures of the Longfellow Memorial Fund for the past year:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 23, 1903, as per last report,		$14,242.37
William W. Brown, subscription,	$ 650.00	

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Removing rubbish and grading,	29.05	
		$16,554.63
Expenses Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	$306.50	
Fire insurance premium,	60.00	
Repairs and maintenance,	44.25	
Furnishing,	93.58	
Record books, printing and signs,	82.60	
Picture frames,	37.50	
Sundries,	86.39	
		$ 710.82
Balance on hand,		1,268.55
		$18,534.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF WADSWORTH-LONGFELLOW MEMORIAL FUND.

JUNE 21, 1904.

Your committee feel justified in declaring that the acquisition of the Wadsworth-Longfellow House in Portland was the most important event of recent years in the Society's welfare. Nothing ever made our purposes so conspicuous. Nothing has ever stimulated so generally the true historic sense in our midst. Nothing ever more naturally evoked the broader and deeper possibilities for a fellowship like ours. Nothing has ever so strongly emphasized, in the historic realm, domestic architecture and domestic habits, recreating the atmosphere of a home of the past, revealing an ancient family life of probity, out of which has issued genius.

The Maine Historical Society is no longer known alone for its library of books and documents, that fosters the sense of seclusion, of mere antiquity and dignified isolation. It has become a prominent and vital part of civic and social life in our state. We enter thereby upon a new career of public usefulness. Unexpectedly, in addition to all this, the house is a striking source of income, which bids fair to continue permanently and in increasing measure, so long as our state shall prove attractive to the people of the world.

All this has not occurred without great labor. It is useless to speculate upon what might have been the necessary consequence of our acquisition. As a matter of fact that consequence has actually obtained through the fertile plans,

and the unflagging zeal in consummating those plans on the part of Mr. Nathan Goold. To him, and the large number of generous persons who have coöperated with him, generally without compensation, our usefulness is due. About 6,000 paid admissions were obtained at the house in the summer of 1903, yielding a net income of $1,076.67. For three years Mr. Goold performed his service without cost to us. For the coming year your committee has been glad to arrange for his remuneration.

Since our last meeting the new library building has been practically finished on the outside, and much work has been done in the interior. The task will be prosecuted to its completion as rapidly as appears consistent with our available funds.

JOHN CARROLL PERKINS, *for the Committee.*

DE MONTS AND CHAMPLAIN TERCENTENARY PROCEEDINGS.

JUNE 25, 1904.

Meetings of the Maine Historical Society were held at Calais with citizens of the St. Croix valley, June 25, 1904, to celebrate the tercentenary anniversary of the settlement by De Monts and Champlain at St. Croix Island.

The morning session was held on St. Croix Island, about eight miles below Calais. Hon. Charles E. Swan, M. D., of Calais, presided, and delivered an address.

An address of welcome was also made by Hon. Almon I. Teed, Mayor of St. Stephen, N. B., which was followed by a response in behalf of the Maine Historical Society by the Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Portland, Me.

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The afternoon session was held at the St. Croix Opera House in Calais. Citizens of Calais, St. Stephen, St. Andrews and Milltown united with the delegation of the Maine Historical Society. Gen. B. B. Murray, of Calais, presided.

Prof. W. F. Ganong, of Smith College, Northampton, Mass., read a paper, entitled "The Meaning of the Day."

Hon. James P. Baxter, of Portland, president of the Maine Historical Society, delivered an address on Champlain.

Brief addresses also were made by Hon. Charles Francis Adams, of Boston, president of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Dr. Aymer, delegate of the Royal Historical Society of Canada, Captains Dillingham, Aubry and Hill of the war vessels — United States Cruiser Detroit, French Cruiser Troude and the British Ship Columbine.

An ode, written for the occasion by Mr. Henry M. Rideout of Howard University, was read by Prof. Charles T. Copeland, of Howard University.

The exercises were concluded with the singing by the audience of two stanzas of "God Save the King" and two stanzas of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

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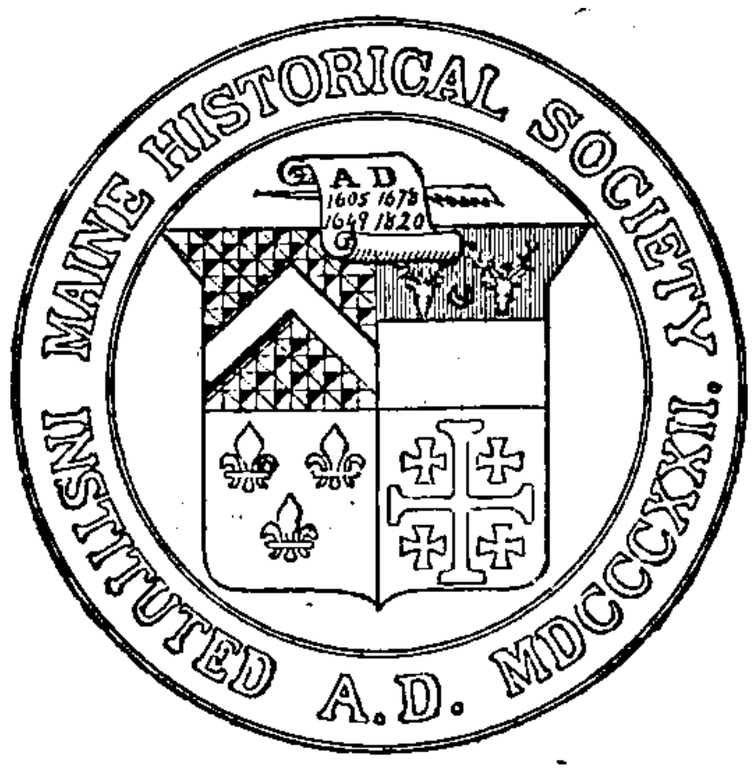

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PROCEEDINGS.

JANUARY 26, 1905.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall in Portland. The president took the chair at 2.30 P. M.

The librarian read his report of accessions made to the library since his last report.

William M. Bradley, Esq., of Portland, read a paper on "Hannah Bradley, a New England Heroine of the Olden Time," written by Mrs. Horace M. Fisher, of Boston.

Hon. Edgar C. Smith, of Dover, Me., read a paper on "Two Map-makers of Maine and their Maps, Osgood Carleton and John G. Deane."

George C. Burgess, Esq., of Boston, a corresponding member of the Society, read a paper on "Thomas Willett of Leyden and Plymouth, and later of New York."

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

Report of accessions to the library:

The Illustrated Biographies of Representative Citizens of Maine, from A. F. Moulton.

Irving's Life of Columbus, the original edition of 1828, from Albert B. Cole.

Diary of Matthew Patten.

History of Bedford, N. H., from Mrs. W. H. Fenn.

History of the Baptists in Maine, from the author, Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Memorial of Charles B. Rounds, from William Freeman.

General John Glover of the Revolution, from the author, N. P. Sanborn.

History of Christ Church, Gardiner, from A. Davenport.

The Kingdom of Siam, from James H. Gore.

President Jefferson's Life of Jesus, from William P. Frye.

Illustrated volume of Portland Homes, from W. R. Wadsworth.

Life of Elias Smith, Religious Ceremonies of 1836, from Miss E. V. Bailey.
Early newspapers and Miscellaneous Reports, from F. R. Barrett.
Jabez Gorham and his Descendants, from F. W. Sprague.
Centennial of Blue Hill Academy.
Biography of Rev. Jonathan Fisher, from R. G. F. Candage.
History and Roster Aroostook War, York Deeds, Volumes XII and XIII, from L. D. Carver.
The Chipmans of America, from A. Lee Chipman.
The Vermont Revolutionary Rolls, from the Vermont State Library.
The Hallowell Celebrations of 1899, from the Hubbard Library.
Historical Researches of Gouldsboro, Maine, from the Daughters of Liberty.
Lieut. Roger Plaisted and his Descendants, from M. F. King.
Life of General Samuel Thompson, from Nathan Goold.
Works of Jonathan Edwards.
History of the Sixth Evangelical Alliance, from Rev. Dr. Burrage.
Genealogical Chart and Record, from James Shaw.
Coburn Classical Institute, 75th Anniversary, from Rev. E. C. Whittemore.
Proceedings for 1904 of the Supreme Council, 33d degree of Free Masons, from James H. Godding.
State of Missouri, from the Louisiana Exposition.
Guide to the Archives of the United States, from the Carnegie Institute.
Five large photographs of views in St. Castine, France, the home of Baron Castine, from William H. Witherle.
City Directories, from Lefavor-Tower Co.
Two large photographs of Thomaston, Me., from Joseph E. Moore.
Log Book of the Brig Polly, War of 1812, loaned by Mrs. Sybil H. Lincoln.
The Village Mascot of West Sullivan, Me., a small news sheet from the publisher, R. F. Gerrish.
Vol. VI of the Messages of the Governors of Iowa, from the State Historical Society of Iowa.
MS. Papers of the Brackett family are deposited with us by Mr. N. B. Tracy.
The Volume X from the Connecticut Historical Society relates to the French and Indian War.
The Marshall Pierce collection of Bound Newspapers has been received from Mr. Pierce's family, and is a most important addition to our already large collection of newspapers. We are indebted also for favors received to the Library of Congress, the New York Public Library, the Boston Public Library, the Maine State Library, the Michigan State Library, the Indiana Library, the Connecticut Library, the Several States Historical Societies, the N. E. Historic Genealogical Society, the Smithsonian Institute, the Essex Institute, the American Antiquarian Society, the University of California, the University of Chicago, and the several universities and colleges throughout New England.
Individual givers not already mentioned are William C. Houston, Appleton

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exhibition of lantern slides of historical places in Maine, given at the library in the evening, accompanied by a descriptive lecture by the Rev. H. S. Burrage, D. D., of Togus, Maine.

Report of accessions to the library:

The first volume of the series of Romances of Casco Bay, from the author, H. M. Sylvester.

Vol. XVIII, Transactions of the Royal Historical Society of London, from the society.

Volume of Proceedings and New Hampshire in the Struggle for Independence, from the New Hampshire Historical Society.

Monograph on the origins of the New Brunswick Settlements from the author, Prof. W. F. Ganong.

Vol. II, Records of the Courts of Assistants of Massachusetts Bay, from Hon. John Noble.

Vol. XVIII, series 2, Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society, from the society.

Seven local Boston pamphlets from Hon. Samuel A. Green.

Register of the Society of Colonial Wars of the District of Columbia, from the society.

Seventeenth Report on the Public Records of Massachusetts, from Hon. Robert T. Swan.

Report on the Industrial Statistics of Maine, from Hon. S. W. Matthews.

Proceedings of the Wisconsin Historical Society for 1904, from the society

Journals of the Continental Congress and Annual Reports, from the Library of Congress.

In Memoriam Revolutionary Soldiers of Dracut, Mass., from the town.

Journal of Lieut. Col. Joseph Vose, from H. W. Cunningham.

Proceedings Bostonian Society, January, 1905, from the society.

Life of General Philip Schuyler, from Philip P. Schuyler.

Early Records of Providence, R. I., Vol. XVIII, from the city of Providence.

Tax List of Brookline, Mass., 1904, from Capt. R. G. F. Candage.

The Biblia, Vol. XVII, for 1904, from Miss E. D. Senter.

Edward Savage, Painter and Engraver, Congress Voting for Independence, both from Charles H. Hart.

Proceedings on presentation of the statues of Charles Carroll and John Hanson at Washington, from Douglas H. Thomas.

Also received by purchase, Vital Records of Rutland, Oxford, Wenham and Marblehead of Massachusetts.

History of Bristol, N. H., 2 vols. Commander-in-Chief's Guard in the Revolutionary War, Revolutionary Soldiers of Redding, Conn.

Site of old Jamestown, Va., received for the Society's cabinet and archives.

A manuscript subscription list for opening the 10th N. H. Turnpike through the White Mountain Notch, signed by Portland merchants in 1826. Given by Mrs. Joseph E. Gilman.

A folio volume of Early American Newspapers, Government Broadsides, Commissions from the estate of William Willis. Given by Miss Adeline Willis.

A large parcel of maps and plans from the heirs of the late Alexander W. Longfellow.

Polly Price's gold earrings. Gift of Miss Julia A. Pettingill of Raymond.

Portland newspapers and other papers of 1831, taken from the vane of High Street Church, 1868; also some anti-slavery documents. Given by Charles B. Thurston.

Lock of General Andrew Jackson's hair and a commission to Gen. John W. Smith, signed by General Andrew Jackson, both from Grenville C. Smith.

MAY 25, 1905.

An evening session of the Society was held at the library at 8.00 P. M.

Hon. Joseph W. Symonds read a reminiscent paper on "The late Rev. Horatio Stebbins, D. D., formerly of Portland and later of San Francisco."

Report of accessions to the library:

The Stevens Genealogy, from C. Ellis Stevens.

The Book of Sports, 1618–1640, from E. F. Shafter.

Shores of Casco Bay, from Nathan Goold.

The Shaw Records, from Mrs. H. F. Farwell of Bethel.

Ten volumes State Documents from the Maine State Library.

Six volumes State Documents, from the Connecticut State Library.

The XXVth volume of the Archives of Maryland, from the Maryland Historical Society.

Ten volumes of Whitaker's Almanac, 1875–1885.

Fifteen volumes of European Guide Books.

One hundred and ten miscellaneous pamphlets, all from the estate of A. W. Longfellow.

Tate and Brady's Psalms and Hymns of 1765, done in shorthand by Deacon Samuel Freeman, bound up with the Essex Harmony, by Daniel Bailey, 1770. Freeman's Columbian Primer of 1790, all from William Freeman of Cherryfield.

Messages and proclamations of the Governors of Iowa, from the state of Iowa.

A Brief History of the Works Erected for the Defense of Portland by C. F. Porter, from the author.

The Proceedings of the 212th Anniversary of Hatfield, Mass., from the town clerk of Hatfield.

Journals of the Continental Congress, from the Library of Congress.

Publication No. 12 of the Jewish Historical Society, from the society.

Inauguration of Charles W. Dabney and University Studies, from the University of Cincinnati.

The Iowa Journal of History and Politics, Vol. II, from the State Historical Society of Iowa.

Studies, Vol. I and II, from the University of Missouri.

The American Historical Magazine, Vol. IX, from the Tennessee Historical Society.

Historical Magazine, Vol. IV, from the West Virginia Historical Magazine.

Fort Casimir, Its History and Location, from the Historical Society of Delaware.

The 10th report from the Lake Mohonk conference.

A general history of the New England states, edited by W. T. Davis, in four volumes quarto. A pictorial history of The World's Great Nations, three volumes quarto. Willard's Glimpses for Fifty Years. Memoirs of William and Lucy Smith. Concord Guides, U. S. Navy Register, Mansfield's Life of General Scott. Mitchell's Universal Atlas. D'Anvilles Folio Atlas of 1794. Tributes to Longfellow and Emerson. Memoir of S. S. Prentiss, two volumes. Worcester's History. Banquet to Dr. H. H. Hill. Phillip's Washington Described. Appleton's Handbook of New York. Emerson's Maternal Ancestors. Brinton's Guide Book to Florida. Eastman's Coast Guide. Willard's Universal History. Memorial of Wheelock Craig. Horatio King's Twelve Months in Europe. All from the estate of Mrs. Helen A. Gilman.

By purchase have been added these Massachusetts histories: Hubbardston, Princeton, Longmeadow, Belchertown, Whateley, Pelham, New Bedford, Plainfield, Ayer, Barre, Berkeley, Clinton, Falmouth, Lowell, Easton. Also the vital records of Charlton and Oakham, Massachusetts.

History of Newbury, Vt.; History of Ancient Wethersfield, Conn.

Triumphant Democracy by Andrew Carnegie.

Parts 8, 9, 10 of Vol. II, Hoyt's Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury.

For the cabinet we have received:

A manuscript document of 1860 from F. O. Conant.

Bust of Augustus E. Stevens, ex-mayor of Portland, from Mr. Charles C. Bickford and the Stevens estate.

A Civil War time Portland subscription list from Albion Keith.

Large roller maps of the state of Maine and the United States from the estate of Mrs. Helen A. Gilman.

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The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Jordan, was read by him, together with the report of the auditors, and they were accepted to be placed on file.

Mr. Jordan read also his annual report as treasurer of the Wadsworth-Longfellow fund, which was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

On motion, the president appointed a committee of three to nominate a board of officers for the ensuing year and accordingly appointed a committee, consisting of Messrs. Jordan, Little and Talbot, who retired and shortly after reported the following ballot, which, on motion, was cast by Mr. Jordan and the board were declared elected:

OFFICERS 1905–06.

President — Hon. James P. Baxter, Portland.
Vice President — Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Brunswick.
Treasurer — Fritz H. Jordan, Portland.
Corresponding Secretary and Biographer — William D. Patterson, Wiscasset.
Recording Secretary, Librarian and Curator — H. W. Bryant, Portland.
Standing Committee — Rev. Henry S. Burrage, Togus; Gen. John Marshall Brown, Portland; Col. John M. Glidden, Newcastle; Franklin A. Wilson, Bangor; Prentice C. Manning, Portland; Hon. George A. Emery, Saco; Hon. Augustus F. Moulton, Portland; Asbury C. Stilphen, Gardiner; Nathan Goold, Portland.

The president reappointed Messrs. Franklin R. Barrett and Henry Deering as the auditors of the treasurer's accounts.

The recording secretary read abstracts of the reports which he had received from the following County Historical Societies: The Pejepscot Historical Society of Brunswick, the old York Historical Society of York Village,

the Sagadahoc Historical Society of Bath, and the Kennebec Historical Society of Augusta.

Mr. William D. Patterson, the president of the Lincoln County Historical Society of Wiscasset, made a verbal report of the transactions of that society.

Mr. A. C. Stilphen made a brief verbal report on a plan for increasing the number of county societies, especially among young people, and asked that the committee be continued for another year.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen it was voted the annual dues of the venerable Ex-Governor, Sidney Perham, be remitted and that his name be transferred to the list of honorary members.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen it was voted that the names of five resident members, who had not paid their annual dues for several years, be dropped from the roll of resident members.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen it was voted that the limit of resident membership be increased fifty by the following amendment to the By-laws, Section 2: Insert after "two hundred" the word "fifty."

The following ballot for resident members was distributed and collected by a committee, appointed by the chair, of Messrs. Henry L. Chapman and Frederic O. Conant, and it was reported that the entire vote cast was for the whole number of twenty-seven:

Percival P. Baxter, Portland.
Clarence B. Burleigh, Augusta.
Edwin C. Burleigh, Augusta.
William T. Cobb, Rockland.
Morrill N. Drew, Portland.
Ernest M. Emery, Augusta.
William O. Fuller, Jr., Rockland.
Wooster P. Giddings, Gardiner.
Forrest Goodwin, Skowhegan.
George M. Hanson, Calais.

Wilfrid A. Hennessey, Bangor.
Arthur S. Littlefield, Rockland.
Charles E. Littlefield, Rockland.
Rev. W. F. Livingston, Hallowell.
Frank B. Miller, Rockland.
John Adams Morrill, Auburn.
Benj. B. Murray, Calais.
George C. Owen, Portland.
Henry C. Peabody, Portland.
Frederick A. Powers, Houlton.
Lindley M. Staples, Washington.
Lewis F. Starrett, Rockland.
Louis C. Stearns, Bangor.
C. S. Sewall, Wiscassett.
Albert M. Spear, Gardiner.
Charles E. Swan, Calais.
Andrew P. Wiswell, Calais.

Mr. Stilphen gave notice of a proposed amendment to the By-laws to be reported upon at the next annual meeting, to give to resident members without cost the publications of the Society on the payment of their annual dues.

The president appointed Mr. Charles H. Boyd as a member of the King Burial Lot Committee.

Mr. Jordan read the annual report of the Rev. John Carroll Perkins, as the secretary of the Wadsworth-Longfellow House Committee, and it was accepted.

Mr. Joseph E. Moore of Thomaston, made a verbal report on the proposed arrangements and plan of the tercentenary celebration of the voyage of Captain George Waymouth at Thomaston, on July 6 next, and it was voted that the recording secretary send to each resident member the order of the day and to request each member to reply if they would accept the invitation and attend the celebration.

Adjourned at 4 P. M.

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the several County Societies might unite in the support of a historical journal in Maine if an editor can be found.

Sets of American periodicals are destined to become more scarce and difficult to obtain, as the Salvation Army in our large cities is soliciting the gift of periodicals as a source of income. In the city of Portland alone, this season more than fifty tons of magazines have been sent to the paper mills. We can find a place for numbers and volumes of any of the New England magazines.

Among the principal donations of the past year is the collection of newspapers formed by our corresponding member, Hon. Marshall Pierce of Oakland, Cal., given to us by his daughters. The collection numbers over one hundred nicely bound volumes and consists of The Boston Investigator, 1831–1897; The Index of Toledo and Boston, 1870–1884; The Anti-Slavery Standard, 1858–1870; The Liberator, 1846–1865; The Boston Commonwealth, 1862–1876; The Eastern Journal of Biddeford, 1852–1853, and The Saco Union for the same period.

Sundry other journals of minor importance, and perhaps more or less scarce, are in the same collection. We have placed in each volume a plate bearing the inscription:

Bequest of Hon. Marshall Pierce
of Saco, Maine,
and Oakland, California.
Born, Standish, Maine,
August 16, 1823.
Died, East Baldwin, Maine,
March 25, 1900.

It is believed that there is no wood pulp in these newspapers and that they will survive longer than a marble monument.

Mrs. Israel P. Warren has kindly promised us her set of the Christian Mirror.

W. R. F. Gerrish of West Sullivan, a young printer and publisher, is sending us his little sheet filled with local news and is well worthy of preservation.

The publishers of the Rumford Falls Times has also placed us on his free list.

The North East, Masonic Token, Maine Journal of Medicine, The Mechanic Falls Ledger, are sent to our library.

In response for our Popham Memorial Volume sent to the Blundell School at Tiverton, England, we have received a copy of a handsome volume of biographies and portraits entitled, Blundell's Worthies, 1604 to 1904, together with some numbers of the School Journal and a pleasant note from the librarian, in which he refers to Sir John Popham as our Common Founder. Travellers from Maine will do well to visit this famous old school and other points of interest in our original Home County of Devonshire.

During the past year we have added twenty-five local histories to our library, chiefly of Massachusetts and Connecticut towns, the latest accession being the magnificent work by Dr. Henry R. Stiles of the history and genealogies of Ancient Wethersfield. Our collection of the Vital Records of Massachusetts towns now numbers forty-four volumes.

As our Maine towns have not yet had their early vital records printed we have subscribed for the next best thing in the shape of Mr. H. E. Mitchell's Maine Town Registers; these number forty volumes already issued, and contain facts of local history not to be found elsewhere.

The year has been somewhat prolific in the issue of new books of special interest to us and we may briefly mention Mr. King's two volumes of the York deeds, the history of the Aroostook War, and the York celebration.

History of the Maine Baptists, by Dr. Burrage, the Centennial of Blue Hill Academy, The Chipman Family of America, The Coburn Classical Institute Centennial and the Romance of Casco Bay by H. M. Sylvester, and some pamphlets.

Among the historical works in preparation of interest is a new history of King Philip's War. It is by Mr. George W. Ellis of Hartford, Connecticut.

The several Maine local histories announced last year are growing and we expect will be ready in another year. Mr. Cole of Buckfield, advises that his work has been delayed somewhat by ill health, and Mr. Greene of Boothbay Harbor, reports that his printers have most of his MS. in hand.

An important accession to the Society's archives are the Lewis family papers of North Yarmouth. To the historians of that town these will be invaluable. Some interesting early deeds and commissions collected by our former president, Mr. Willis, are the generous gifts of his granddaughter, Miss Adeline Willis.

Among our visitors of the past year was Professor Willoughby of Cambridge, who quickly recognized the old wallet in our cabinet as a rare specimen of Indian work woven of Indian hemp and embroidered with dyed moose hair. It was the work of Mollock Net, an Indian squaw of the Anasagunticook tribe of the Androscoggin valley. This specimen of a lost art was given to the Society by Mrs. Kimball of Bethel in 1863. Professor Willoughby has described it fully with a colored illustration, in a recent number of the American Anthropologist.

Our venerable corresponding member, Dr. Albert B. Waymouth, of Lahaina, of the Hawaiian Islands, manifests his continued interest in the Society by his communications and gifts. He claims that the little hamlet of

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Sales of other publications of the Society,	$57.15	
Sales of duplicates,	8.00	
		$1,576.99
		$2,539.80

PAYMENTS.

Union Safe Deposit and Trust Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00	
Subscription towards De Monts celebration,	50.00	
Salary of librarian and assistant, April 1, 1904, to May 31, 1905,	350.00	
Additions to library, account, Walker fund,	200.05	
Balance of cost of Vol. I, Series 3,	454.22	
Printing,	63.85	
Binding,	38.40	
Sundries,	52.62	
		$1,234.14
Balance on hand,		1,305.66
		$2,539.80

Of above balance, $351.00 belong to the Walker Fund. The invested funds of the Society consist of stocks and bonds of the par value of $17,000, $1,000 of which belong to the Walker Fund, and $2,000 of which are

pledged as collateral security for a loan on account of new building.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 20, 1905.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN: —

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures of the Longfellow Memorial Fund for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 21, 1904, as per last report,		$1,268.55
Interest,		71.72
Income of Wadsworth-Longfellow House, viz.:		
Admissions, season of 1904,	$1,615.85	
Profit on articles sold at house,	349.91	
Contributions from visitors at house,	27.84	
		$1,993.60
Borrowed on treasurer's note secured by collateral as authorized by vote of Society,		2,000.00
		$5,333.87

PAYMENTS.

On account library building, viz.:		
Megquier & Jones Co., beams, etc.,	$ 940.00	
George H. Smardon, expanded metal floors,	803.56	
John Dugan, plastering,	1,352.00	
F. W. Cunningham & Son, drain, etc.,	225.10	
Spencer Rogers, covered passage way, carpenter work,	463.92	
Consolidated Electric Light Co., wiring,	425.34	
Plumber,	2.81	
		$4,212.73
Expenses Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	$573.80	
Repairs and maintenance,	103.80	
Furnishing,	91.80	
Fuel, lights and cleaning,	54.76	
Printing and signs,	30.30	
Photographs for St. Louis exhibition,	45.12	
Sundries,	33.53	
		$933.11
Balance on hand,		188.03
		$5,333.87

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

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of $2,137.16 was added to the treasury of the Society. It is a most interesting spectacle on any day during the summer to see the old house thrown open to the visitors, the attractive arrangement of the rooms under the supervision of Mr. Nathan Goold and his assistants, Mr. McLellan and Miss Kaler; and the generous women of the Women's Literary Union, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Daughters of 1812, who are in daily attendance to give information and extend courtesy.

The house still proves one of the chief sources of income for the building of the new library of the Society. This building is now fast approaching completion. Your committee have proceeded slowly in the progress of the work, a slowness that has justified itself. For many new conditions have arisen which could not be foreseen, but which have gradually shaped the character and arrangement of the library for its wider, fuller uses. Another year will doubtless witness the completed work.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. PERKINS, *for the Committee.*

FIELD DAY PROCEEDINGS.

July 6, 1905.

The celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of Waymouth's voyage to the coast of Maine was held at Thomaston, July 6, 1905. At 9.30 A. M. there was an excursion to St. George's Harbor by members of the Society with invited guests on the revenue cutter Woodbury. A granite cross, erected under the auspices of the town of St. George was unveiled after prayer by the Rev. Charles E. Gould of Martinsville, and an address by Mr. Arthur George Smith of St. George.

On a flagstaff were raised a flag and burgee presented by Mrs. W. R. Grace of New York, a native of St. George.

At 3.30 P. M., a bronze tablet on a large bowlder placed by the town on the mall at Thomaston, commemorating Waymouth's voyage and discovery, was unveiled with services as follows:

Address by the Chairman of the Committee,	Hon. Joseph E. Moore
Invocation,	Rev. W. A. Newcombe, D. D.
Addresses,	By Hon. James P. Baxter, Hon. William T. Cobb, Hon. J. B. Keating, Gen. J. L. Chamberlain, Hon. C. E. Littlefield
Music,	By the Band
Singing,	By the School Children
Benediction,	Rev. E. M. Cousins

At 7.30 P. M., at Watts' Hall, Thomaston, a meeting was held. Hon. Joseph E. Moore presided.

A paper on "The Initial Act in the English Possession of Maine" was read by Hon. James P. Baxter.

Miss Rita Creighton Smith of Thomaston, read a poem entitled "Westward."

Vocal music by Mrs. Ernestine Fish of Boston.

The closing address of the day was by Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Togus, Me. It was an extended review of the facts connected with Waymouth's voyage and its results.

November 23, 1905.

The Society's first meeting of the season was held at the library in Portland and was called to order at 2.00 P. M. In the absence of the president, Mr. Asbury C. Stilphen of Gardiner, was called to the chair.

Mr. John W. Penney of Mechanic Falls, presented a fragment of an old Spanish Mission Bell from San Diego, Cal., bearing the date of 1796; also a copy of the newspaper, Oracle of the Day, printed in Portsmouth, N. H., in 1798.

The librarian, Mr. Bryant, read a report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Rev. Dr. Burrage of Togus, Me., read an abstract from a paper contributed by Rev. Henry O. Thayer of Brooklyn, N. Y., on Waymouth's voyage and the Mountain View.

Dr. Burrage read also a paper by himself on "The Case of Atticus, a fugitive slave, who was brought to Maine from Georgia in 1837."

Both papers interested a large and appreciative audience, and votes of thanks were passed for the same, with requests for copies for the archives.

Adjourned at 4.00 P. M.

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Street's History of Mount Desert.

Waters Ipswich in the Massachusetts Colony.

Two parts of the New Index to the N. E. H. Genealogical Régister.

Town Registers of Hillsborough, N. H., Pittsfield, N. H.. Conway, N. H. Goffstown, N. H.

Meadow City quatro Millennial Celebration Proceedings.

New Hampshire Genealogical Record.

Swift Memoir and Genealogy.

Cabinet record:

Account Book of J. Newell giving names of residents of the Isle of Shoals, 1754 to 1756, from John T. Loomis.

Lithograph views of San Francisco in 1849 and 1876.

Photograph group of ten surviving members of an early literary club of Portland, from Mrs. Charles B. Rogers.

Bust of General Henry Dearborn, from John H. Carroll of Gorham.

Two bank bills of the Passamaquoddy Bank, from James I. Hutchinson.

MS. copies of letters relating to the war of the Rebellion, from Hon. Ellis B. Usher of Milwaukee.

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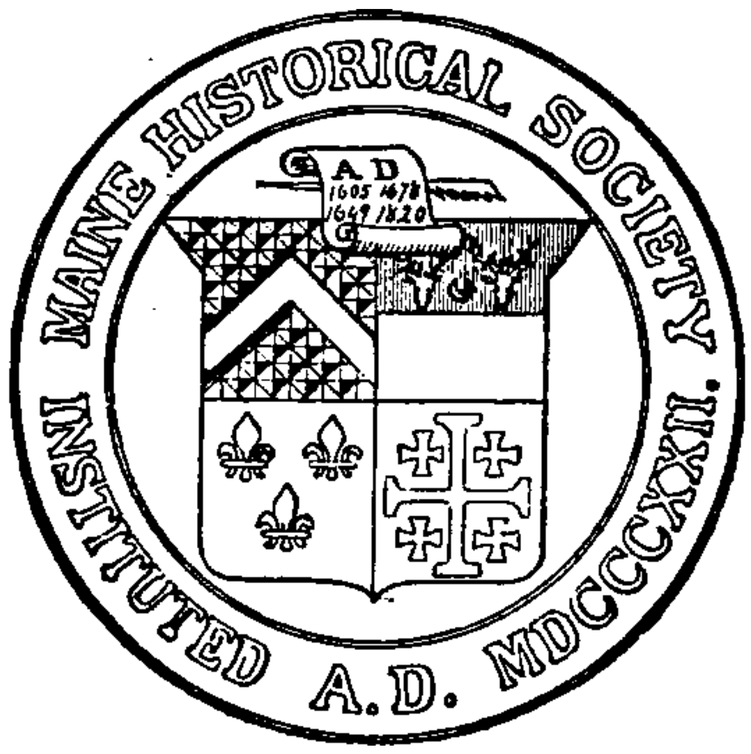

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PROCEEDINGS.

JANUARY 26, 1906.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Togus presided. Dr. Burrage read a report by the Rev. Henry O. Thayer of his action in causing to be erected at West Woolwich, Maine, a granite boulder to mark the site of the Indian massacre of the family of Ebenezer Preble in West Woolwich, Maine, in 1758.

Mr. Thayer's report was accompanied by a deed to the Society from Edwin O. Day of the plot of ground on which the boulder stands. The report with deed was referred to the annual meeting of the Society for further action.

Mr. Charles E. Allen of Dresden, Maine, read a paper on John Gardiner, Barrister, a resident of Pownalboro, Maine, well known as a scholar and broad-minded citizen.

Remarks followed concerning the subject of the paper and the times in which he lived.

Adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

The evening session was called to order at 7.45. General John Marshall Brown presided.

Edgar Oakes Achorn, Esq., of Boston was introduced, who read a paper on the early settlement of Waldoboro, Maine, by German families. At its close, remarks were made by the chairman, also by General J. L. Chamberlain and Professor Henry L. Chapman.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mr. Achorn and Mr. Allen for the papers read and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

March 7, 1906.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Togus in the chair.

Mr. Bryant, the librarian, read his quarterly report of accessions to the library.

The following accessions have been received since November last:

Annual report for 1904 from the Archivist of Canada.

Volume of Franklin papers, journal of the Continental Congress for 1776. and Annual Reports from the Library of Congress.

Volume IX for 1812 of the Eastern Argus from Mrs. Carrie R. Bailey.

Mechanic Falls Ledger for 1904, from Charles E. Waterman.

Transactions, Volume XIX, from the Royal Historical Society.

Index to the first forty volumes of Historical Collections from the Essex Institute.

Reception to the A. & H. Artillery Co. in London, from the A. & H. Artillery Co.

Sebastian Ralé, from the author, John F. Sprague.

Centennial of the First Church of Camden, Maine, from Rev. Dr. S. Baker.

Journal 38th Encampment Maine G. A. R., from Arthur M. Sawyer.

History of the Federal Fire Society of Portsmouth, N. H., from Frederick M. Sise.

Reprint of the Simple Cobbler of Agawam, from the Ipswich Historical Society.

Vol. XXXIV of Boston Records, from City of Boston.

Memorial of Lucius M. Boltwood, from Mrs. Boltwood.

Vol. XVII & XVIII, Biblia, from Miss E. D. Senter.

National Year Book, from Sons of the American Revolution.

Two lithograph portraits of Indian Chiefs, from Mrs. George H. Pearson.

Bibliographical Contributions, No. 56.

Term Catalogues and Annual Reports, from Harvard University.

W. P. Fessenden's Oration at Portland, July 4, 1827, from Mrs. J. D. Fessenden.

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Evening Session.

Called to order at 7.45 P. M., and Professor Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick, took the chair and introduced Honorable Clarence Hale who read a paper on "John Fiske, the Historian."

A vote of thanks was passed for the paper and a copy requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

April 12, 1906.

Meetings of the Society were held at the library in Portland. Professor George T. Little of Brunswick, took the chair at 2.30 P. M.

Mr. Charles Wm. Noyes of Castine, read a paper which he had prepared from the original documents on the occupation of Pentagoet by the Dutch.

Rev. Horace C. Hovey, D. D., of Newburyport, gave a very interesting account of a visit he had made in 1897 to some wonderful canyons and caves in Southern France.

Adjourned until 7.45 P. M.

Evening Session.

At the evening session Mr. Augustus F. Moulton presided, and introduced Mr. Herbert Harris, who read a paper on "Church Music in New England from the Earliest Settlement to the Present Time."

Mr. Nathan Goold followed, exhibiting some original order books of the Revolution kept by Adjutant Frost of Washington's Army in 1780, and reading extracts therefrom especially relating to Arnold's treason and the capture of André.

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read, and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

May 2, 1906.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library in Portland, and was called to order at 3 P. M., Asbury C. Stilphen, Esq., of Gardiner, in the chair.

Mr. Bryant read a report on accessions to the Library. Since the report of March last we have received:

Town of Windham Report, from Nathan Goold.

Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts Bay, Volumes 10, 11, 12 and 13, from the State of Massachusetts.

Connecticut State Library, State documents.

Frank D. Marshall, York, Maine, celebration.

Senate and House Journals, from the Connecticut State Library.

Church and Cemetery Records of Hanover, Mass., from L. Vernon Briggs.

Memoirs of Stonewall Jackson, from Augustus F. Moulton.

250th Anniversary of the Settlement by Jews in America, from the Jewish Historical Society.

Life of Thomas Morris, Congressional Directory and other items, from Clarence H. Brown.

Proceedings Part 4 of Vol. 4, from the New Hampshire Historical Society.

Life of Dr. John C. Warren, Anniversary Proceedings at Groton, Massachusetts, and sundry pamphlets, from Hon. Samuel A. Green.

Vol. XXV, New Jersey Archives, from the New Jersey Historical Society.

Catalogue of the Waterston Collection Proceedings for 1905, from the Massachusetts Historical Society.

Proceedings for 1905, from the American Antiquarian Society.

U. S. Marine Hospital Report for 1905, from the U. S. Treasury.

Memorial of John Edward Russell, from George Sheldon.

Maine Sunday School Report, from Dr. Smith Baker.

39th Report, from the Boston Post Society.

Maryland Magazine, from Maryland Historical Society.

The Robinsons and their Kinsfolk, from the Robinson Family Association.

Collections Volume 17, from the Wisconsin Historical Society.

Salisbury Memorial, from the American Antiquarian Society.

Montezuma Mounds, from the Missouri Historical Society.

Report of the National Museum for 1904, from the Smithsonian Institute.

35th Report Boston Public Records, from the City of Boston.

Introduction to the Records of the Virginia Co. of London, from the Library of Congress.

Dedication of Foss Hall at Waterville, from Rev. Dr. H. S. Burrage.

Vol. XIV Publications, from the Jewish Historical Association.

Draper's Essay or Autograph Collection, from the Estate of Dr. J. S. H. Fogg.

Remains of Maj. General Nathaniel Greene, from the Rhode Island State Library.

Received by purchase:

History of Deer Isle, Maine, a new edition.

Parts 4 and 5 of the Complete Index of the New England Historical and Genealogical Register.

The Hamlin Family Genealogy, by H. F. Andrews.

History of Hancock, N. H.

Volume XIV Massachusetts Records, Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution.

History of Milford, N. H.

History of Concord, Massachusetts.

Currier's History of Newburyport.

Vital Records of Norton, Edgartown and Dalton, Massachusetts.

The Last Cruise of John Paul Jones, by H. Marion.

History of Hartford, Vt.

Blue print maps of Westfield, Mass.

For the cabinet we have received:

Wooden mortar and pestle and apple parer, used by the Silas Estes family, from Leonard B. Chapman.

Fragment of the Revenue Cutter, Caleb Cushing, destroyed in 1863.

Two MS. sermons written by Rev. Samuel Eaton of Harpswell in 1784, from Philip Q. Loring.

Fragment of French brick found on St. Croix island, a relic of Dr. Monts' Expedition of 1605, from Dr. Vose.

Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Togus, read a paper on "Exploration Schemes in 1606 with Reference to the Coast of Maine."

Adjourned until 7.45 P. M.

Evening Session.

Mr. Bryant called to order at 8 P. M., and introduced the Hon. Augustus F. Moulton, who read a paper on "Sir Ferdinando Gorges."

Votes of thanks were passed for the papers read, and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

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The president appointed the following as a committee to nominate a board of officers for election for the ensuing year: Prof. Henry Johnson, Samuel C. Belcher, Dr. Frederic H. Gerrish, who retired and shortly after reported the following ballot for election:

OFFICERS 1906-7.

President—James P. Baxter.
Vice President—Henry L. Chapman.
Treasurer—Fritz H. Jordan.
Corresponding Secretary and Biographer—Wm. D. Patterson.
Recording Secretary—H. W. Bryant.
Librarian and Curator—Nathan Goold.
Standing Committee—Henry S. Burrage, John Marshall Brown, Franklin A. Wilson, Augustus F. Moulton, Asbury C. Stilphen, Albert R. Stubbs, George A. Emery, Prentice C. Manning.

As there was another vacancy on the standing committee, on motion of Mr. Goold it was voted that the name of Henry Deering of Portland be added to the ballot, and no objection being made the entire ballot was cast by Dr. Gerrish, and each officer was duly declared elected.

The president appointed Messrs. Henry Deering and William H. Moulton auditors of the treasurer's accounts.

On recommendation of the standing committee it was voted that the name of Prof. Allen Johnson of Brunswick be added to the list of candidates for election as resident members.

It was also voted that the names of Rev. A. Aaron of Chicago, and Dr. Chas. S. D. Lincoln of Shanghai, China, be added to the list nominated for election as corresponding members.

On motion it was voted that both ballots be distributed as one.

The president appointed Messrs. A. C. Stilphen and Nathan Goold as a committee to receive and count the ballots. This having been done the following lists were declared elected:

BALLOT FOR RESIDENT MEMBERS.

Edward W. Corey, Portland.
George A. Curran, Calais.
Charles C. Harmon, Portland.
John F. Larrabee, Portland.
Edward P. Ricker, Poland Springs.
Reuel Robinson, Camden.
Prof. Allen Johnson, Brunswick.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Edgar Oakes Achorn, Boston, Mass.
Rev. Horace C. Hovey, D. D., Newburyport, Mass.
John True Loomis, Washington, D. C.
Rev. A. Aaron, Chicago, Ill.
Dr. Charles S. D. Lincoln, Shanghai, China.

The recording secretary, Mr. Bryant, read annual reports which had been received from the Old Eliot Historical Society, the York Village Historical Society, the Kennebec Historical Society and the Lincoln County Historical Society, and the same were accepted to be placed on file.

Rev. John C. Perkins read his annual report as secretary of the Wadsworth-Longfellow House Committee and it was accepted to be placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen it was voted that the following be adopted:

AMENDMENTS OF BY-LAWS PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, 1905.

I. That Section 2 of the By-Laws be amended so that as amended it shall read as follows:

"RESIDENT MEMBERS.

SECTION 2. Resident members must be residents of Maine, and shall not exceed two hundred and fifty in number. They alone have the right to vote. In addition to the admission fee, each Resident member shall pay three dollars annually for the general purposes of the Society, and this annual payment being duly made shall entitle him to a copy of all the publications of the Society for the current year without further payment therefor, but any

member may become a life member and shall be exempted from such annual payment, if, at any time after his admission, he shall pay into the treasury thirty dollars in addition to his previous payments. Life members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of Resident members."

II. That Section 8 be amended so that as amended it shall read:

"FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 8. Any Resident member who shall fail to attend three successive annual meetings of the Society, or shall neglect to pay his annual dues for two years, may forfeit his membership unless he shall send to the President within the period embraced by said annual meetings such excuse as shall be satisfactory to the Society. Forfeiture of membership shall not take effect until declared by a vote of the Society."

On motion of Mr. Jordan it was voted that the treasurer be authorized to borrow on the credit of the Society with the approval of the standing committee the sum of five thousand dollars or such part thereof as may be from time to time found necessary, the same to be expended upon the new library building.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Burrage it was voted that the Portland newspaper containing a report of each meeting of the Society be mailed to each resident member outside of Portland.

Dr. Burrage referred to the steps taken by Rev. Henry O. Thayer to mark the site by a memorial stone of the Preble massacre in the town of West Woolwich, Maine, and it was voted that a committee be appointed by the president with reference to a general memorial.

The following were appointed the committee:

Rev. Henry S. Burrage of Togus.
Charles E. Allen of Dresden.
Joseph E. Moore of Thomaston.

The deed of the site to the Society was accepted.

It was voted that the committee appear before the next State Legislature to request that the State cause to be marked, historical sites, within its borders.

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VI, with Index of the Journal of the Continental Congress for 1776, The Documentary History of Congress, published by the Department of State.

The Massachusetts Records of Services in the Revolution, fourteen volumes in all, are completed to S, T, H and two volumes more will probably complete the work.

Besides the new Maine local histories about to be published are the centennial anniversary proceedings at Camden and at Sedgwick already received. Palmyra has in preparation an account of her centennial celebration.

A history of Camden and Rockport, by Reuel Robinson, is now being published in the *Camden Herald.*

A new edition of the Historical Sketch of Deer Isle, by George Lawrence Hosmer, has appeared, with corrections, by the son of the author, Mr. F. L. Hosmer

The De Burian Club, of Bangor, are about to publish the Revolutionary Diary of Col. Jeduthan Baldwin, with historical notes.

Town library buildings have been completed and dedicated in the past year in the towns of Rumford Falls, Damariscotta and Newcastle, Weld, Yarmouth and Freeport.

The Fogg Memorial Library at Eliot will probably be completed this year. Your president and librarian are especially interested in this library at Eliot, being appointed trustees by the will of the late Dr. Fogg.

A popular history of Mt. Desert, by the late Rev. Dr. Street has appeared, and of course is added to our shelves.

Of the new Maine local histories it is reported that Mr. Greene's history of Boothbay Harbor and adjacent towns is now nearly ready for the binder. It will contain over 600 pages, besides maps, portraits, etc. The histories of Hampden and of Buckfield, Maine, are well under way, and material for other Maine locals is being gathered, especially in the neighborhood of Waldoboro, Cushing, Anson, and possibly some others not yet reported.

The seventh volume of Old Eliot will appear in quarterly parts this year.

The Maine Society of Colonial Wars have made a valuable contribution in the publication of the Roster of Jedediah Preble's Regiment, and Capt. Samuel Cobb's Journal in the Campaign of 1758. It is well annotated by Rev. Dr. Burrage.

Life of Sebastian Ralé, by John F. Sprague, and The Waterhouse and allied families of Stroudwater, by L. B. Chapman.

Our meetings have been fully reported by the Portland newspapers, with the new feature of half-tone portraits of those who participate. No societies in other states have been so liberally treated by the newspapers.

By the recent death of the widow of Dr. John S. Hill Fogg, we have come into possession of the famous Fogg collection of the autograph letters and documents bequeathed to our Society by Dr. Fogg at his death in 1893. The collection was largely made up by purchases from all parts of the world, and many specimens were given him by loving and sympathetic friends.

The doctor was confined to his chamber for many years and, aided by his noble and generous wife, placed these papers in order, arranged and catalogued them.

It was the life work of Dr. and Mrs. Fogg to make this collection, and they hoped it would be appreciated and kept intact forever. It could not now be duplicated.

And now, my friends, the time has come when I must decline a reëlection as librarian. Failing eyesight, and other infirmities, have led me to this conclusion, and a quarter of a century in office is long enough for most men.

Soon our new building will be ready for the books, and younger hands must place them in order and more nimble feet run up and down the iron stairs.

I thank you for your kindnesses in past years, and I hope for forgiveness of sins of omission and commission.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 26, 1906.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 20, 1905, as per last report,		$1,305.66
Income of invested funds,	$709.43	
Income of Walker Fund,	60.00	
Admittance fees, 19 new members,	190.00	
Arrears of dues,	45.00	
Annual dues, 1906, 150 members,	450.00	
Sales of publications of the Society,	59.25	
Sales of duplicates,	19.50	
		$1,533.18
		$2,838.84

PAYMENTS.

Union Safe Deposit Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00	
Salary of librarian and assistant, June, 1905, to May 31, 1906, inclusive,	300.00	
Additions to library, account, Walker Fund,	212.51	

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RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 20, 1905, as per last report,			$ 188.03
Subscription,			25.00
Income of Wadsworth-Longfellow House, viz.:			
Admissions season of 1905,	$1,940.05		
Profit on articles sold at house,	303.25		
Contributions from visitors at house,	36.88		
		$2,280.18	
Borrowed on note of Society with collateral,	4,000.00		
Borrowed on note of Society,	4,000.00		
Transferred from general fund of Society,	1,000.00		
		$9,000.00	
			$11,493.21

PAYMENTS.

Account library building:	
F. W. Cunningham & Son, masons,	$1,007.51
Smith & Rumery, carpenter and painting,	1,245.70
W. W. Carman, boiler and heating plant,	1,624.21
Portland Water Co., connecting with street main,	129.27
John Dugan, tinting ceiling, etc.,	111.22
F. O. Bailey & Co., vault doors,	200.00
Hollivan & Parker, shutters,	325.00

M. C. Hutchinson, plumber,	$ 184.97	
Boston Mosaic Co., Mosaic floor,	2,369.93	
The Snead Iron Works, book stacks,	3,130.00	
Library bureau, book stacks,	50.00	
Sundry, small bills,	140.60	
		$10,518.41
Interest,		156.83
Expenses Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	$585.50	
Repairs and maintenance,	56.27	
Furnishing,	60.50	
Fuel, light and cleaning,	28.37	
Printing, signs, and record books,	39.80	
Sundry, small bills,	46.71	
		$817.15
Balance on hand,		.82
		$11,493.21

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

JUNE 26, 1906.

The duties performed by your corresponding secretary during the past year have been, principally, the sending of official notifications to newly elected members. Of the twenty-seven gentlemen whose names appeared upon the

ballot for resident members last year nineteen have accepted membership. A few have furnished biographical data.

As biographer I have to report the following deaths of resident members: Leonard Dwight Carver, Francis Fessenden, John Haskell Fogg, William Freeman, John Murray Glidden, Benjamin Bixby Murray, Edward Bowdoin Nealley, Benjamin Bussey Thatcher, William H. Witherle.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM D. PATTERSON.

WADSWORTH-LONGFELLOW HOUSE.

BRUNSWICK, June 26, 1906.

With varying judgment of its expediency and in face of apparently forbidding financial problems, the Wadsworth-Longfellow House has become the possession of the Maine Historical Society; has been adequately preserved, and has developed under the ceaseless curatorship of Mr. Nathan Goold into one of the best, if not indeed the most conspicuous of historic monuments in the United States.

It has not only taken care of itself, under its astute financial management, but it has furnished $5,315.37 for the work on the Society's library building.

The house presents on summer days a most delightful spectacle. For here are gathered a host of visitors,—in the last season 7,797 people paid our admission fee,—from all quarters of the globe, to offer their tribute to the memory of the Wadsworth and Longfellow families, to give their thoughts to the traditions of a dignified and exemplary home life in this typical Maine home, to enjoy the observation and study of the many objects of historic value so wisely arranged and preserved.

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State publications of Connecticut, Connecticut State Library.

The Watermans of Maine, Charles E. Waterman.

Beginning and Progress of American Baptists, by the author, Dr. Henry M. King of Providence, R. I.

Benjamin Franklin's anniversary and miscellaneous publications, Dr. Samuel A. Green.

Report of American manuscripts, Josiah Pierce, Esq., London, Eng.

Old York, Herbert M. Sylvester, Esq.

Annual report of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, Mrs. L. D. M. Sweat.

The Yates Book, Edgar Yates, Esq.

The following have donated their publications:

United States Treasury.
Wisconsin Historical Society.
Bowdoin College.
New England Historical and Genealogical Society.
Providence Public Library.
University of California.
Maryland Historical Society.
Boston Public Library.
American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia.
Vivisection Reform Society.
Pennsylvania Historical Society.
Smithsonian Institute.
Grand Chapter of Masons of Maine.
Iowa State Library.
United States Department of State.
Georgetown University.
Hartford Theological Seminary.
American Antiquarian Society.
Wiscasset Fire Society.
Grand Lodge of Masons of Iowa.
New London Historical Society.
Oregon Historical Society.
Yale University.
New Jersey Historical Society.
Maine Sportsman.
Coburn Institute.
Ohio State University.
New York Public Library.
New York Historical Society.
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass.
Department of the Interior.
Iowa Historical Society.

Colby College.
Rev. W. Herbert Burke, Norristown, Penn.
American Historical Association.
Sons of the American Revolution.
Delaware Historical Society.
Kansas Historical Society.
J. G. Rosengarten, Esq., Philadelphia.

The publications added by purchase and exchange are:

Beverly, Mass., Vital Records.
Essex Antiquarian.
History of Plymouth, N. H., 2 vols.
History of Lydeborough, N. H., 2 vols.
Magazine of History.
Acadensis.
History of 11th Maine Regiment.
History of 1st Maine Cavalry, Merrill.
History of 1st Maine Cavalry, Tobie.
A Century of Meridan, Conn.
Index to New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
Two Centuries of Costumes in America, 2 vols.
Sturbridge Vital Records.
Home Life in Colonial Days.
History of Middleboro, Mass.
The Fort Edward Book.
History of the M. E. Church, Wellfleet, Mass.
Methuen Epitaphs.
Derryfield in the Revolution.
Castleton, Vt., Epitaphs.
History of North Londonderry, N. H.
History of Andover Center, N. H.
History of Epsom, N. H.
Naval Heroes.
One number of Collection of Nova Scotia Historical Society.
Fifty Puritan Ancestors.
Valley Forge Guide.
Devon Notes and Queries.
Order book of General Washington at Valley Forge.
Reminiscences of John M. Todd.
Bibliography of the History of the United States Navy.
History of the Republican Party.
History of Springfield, Mass., 2 vols.
Revolutionary Defences of Rhode Island.
History of Warwick, Mass.
History of Warner, N. H.

History of Hawley, Mass.
History of Norwich, Vt.
Old Landmarks of Middlesex.
History of Lenox and Richmond, Mass.
Old Shipmasters of Salem, Mass.
American Historical Review.
History of Goshen, Conn.
Life and Times of Gen. John Lamb, commander at West Point at the time of the Arnold conspiracy.

Since the last report Volume II of the third series of the Society's collections has been published and delivered free to the members. It is a handsome volume of 518 pages, and is the first ever issued to members without price. The Society has now published twenty-two volumes of the collections, eight of the documentary series and several other publications.

Much work has already been done in preparation for the removal to our new library that there may be no confusion at the time.

Respectfully submitted,
NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor, read a paper entitled "The Story of the Penobscot."

Remarks were made at its close by Rev. Dr. Burrage and others.

A vote of thanks was passed to Dr. Sewall for his paper and a copy requested for the archives.

Adjourned until evening.

The evening session was called to order by the president at 7.45, who introduced Captain R. G. F. Candage of Brookline, Mass. Captain Candage read a paper on the Reverend Jonathan Fisher of Bluehill, Maine, a remarkable character.

Remarks were made at the close of the paper, and a vote of thanks was passed to the author with a request for a copy for the archives.

Adjourned.

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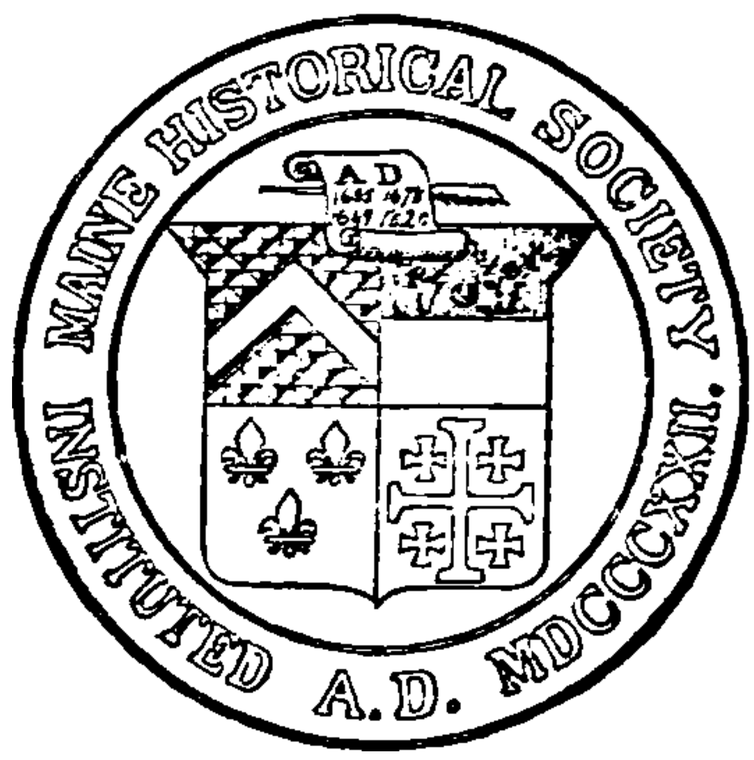

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REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN, MARCH 20, 1907.

Mr. President and Members of the Society:

Since my last report, November 22, 1906, has been a most important era in the history of the Maine Historical Society. We have made a great stride and it is but the beginning. During this intervening time our library and cabinet have been moved and installed in this new fire-proof library building without confusion, loss, or damage, and at a most reasonable expense. We have increased the usefulness of our library many fold and enlarged the interest in our Society.

The presentation of the Wadsworth-Longfellow house, which included the erection of this library building, is the greatest event of its character that ever occurred in Portland. All is now the property of a perpetual Society, whose instincts are the preservation of all that enriches our history and extends our State's fame, and it should be something of a satisfaction to be of a generation who will leave more beautiful and interesting this city in which we all take so much pride.

This accomplishment has not been solely the work of this Society, but the many who have contributed of their time and means and made evident their interest. Every visitor has contributed and the ladies of Portland deserve well of us. They have been a great factor that we could not have done without, and we hope the results meet their approbation.

Since my last report we have received from gifts, purchase and exchange, 363 bound volumes and 424 pamphlets, also a chair once owned by Governor John Gilman of New Hampshire from his grandson, Edward H. Daveis, Esq., of Portland. We have had contributed a portion of a beam from the Moore house, where the papers were drawn up for the surrender of Cornwallis's army at Yorktown, in 1781, also two Revolutionary and one Civil war

bullet, from the same locality, the gift of Mrs. Chauncey Rea Burr of Portland. Miss Elizabeth Sampson Owen of Cambridge, has contributed a fragment of the coffin of Miles Standish and a silver spoon once the property of John and Rebecca Brewster, the approximate date of which is 1732.

The following are the acquisitions to the library since the last report:

By gift:

Essay to Do Good. Cotton Mather, Mrs. E. C. Cummings.

General Washington's Account with the United States, W. W. Brown, Esq.

Auditor's Report, 1905, City of Portland.

Five pamphlets, two bound books, two army registers, Regulations of the Navy and The Empty Sleeve, H. W. Bryant.

Francis Adrian Van de Kemp, and the Journals of John Linklaen, Mrs. Charles S. Fairchild.

James Wilson, Patriot, Andrew Carnegie.

Shetnar Genealogy and the Lasnar Genealogy, C. S. Williams.

History of Boothbay, Southport and Boothbay Harbor, Francis B. Greene.

Hammond Genealogy, two volumes; Memoir of S. D. Warren, and many pamphlets, George W. Hammond, Esq.

Colorado Volunteers in the Civil War, Colorado Historical Society.

The Dennison Family, A. L. Dennison.

The Franklin Bi-Centennial Celebration, American Philosophical Society.

Additional History of Bowdoinham, Capt. Silas Adams.

Iowa Journal, Iowa State Library.

History of the Fifth Maine Regiment, Mrs. H. R. Millett.

Early Records of Providence, City of Providence.

Harvard University Catalogue, Harvard University.

The Robinsons and Their Kinsfolk, Robinson Family Association.

Pamphlets, Autographs, Letters, etc., Miss Harriet Hobson.

Directory of Portland, 1906, Fred L. Tower.

Thomas B. Reed's College Algebra, Portland Ordinances of 1868 and two reports, Clarence M. Brown.

Parentage and English Progenitors of Nathaniel Coney, Thomas Hills.

Brown University Catalogue, F. R. Barrett, Esq.

No. 1, Cambridge Historical Society publications, from that society.

New Haven Historical Society publications, from that society.

Five Railroad Commissioners' Reports of Maine, Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

Reminiscences, Edmund S. Hunt.

The Sokoki Trail, Herbert M. Sylvester.

Vol. 1, Pine Tree Magazine, Charles Dunn, Jr.

Two Maine State Year Books, Abbie M. Hodgkins.

Blockade of Quebec, 1775-1776, Quebec Historical Society.

Letters of James Savage, Memoir of James Savage, Mrs. W. B. Rogers, his daughter.

Letters to Washington, five volumes, Colonial War Dames of America.

Massachusetts Senate Journal, French Grammar, Hon. James P. Baxter.

Copies of Eastport Sentinel, F. E. Nutt.

Thirteen bound volumes of New York Tribune, 1861-5, Mrs. Marion D. Noyes.

Laws of Vermont, Vermont State Library.

George Rogers Clark, John D. Vandercook.

Good Old Times, Elijah Kellogg; Pearl of Orr's Island, Stowe; Bozzaris, Nathaniel Deering; Polar and Tropical Worlds; One Hundred Years of Progress of the United States, two volumes; Men of Our Times, Stowe; Nathan Goold.

Fifteenth Biennial Report, Kansas Historical Society.

Ancestors of My Children, Hugo Clark.

Memoir of William Carruthers and Facts Relating to Rights in Sebago Lake, George W. Hammond, Esq.

Sixteen Miscellaneous Pamphlets, Prof. Leslie A. Lee.

America's Successful Men, two volumes.

Seventeen Town Reports.

History of Eastern Star Encampment.

Illustrated Bath, Picturesque Camden, Guide to Brunswick, Flora of Mount Desert, and Sundry Pamphlets, Joseph Wood.

Town Reports and Sundry Pamphlets, L. B. Chapman, Esq.

Publications of American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia.

Two volumes, seventy-six pamphlets, 157 magazines, Edward H. Daveis, Esq.

Twelve Fleet's Boston Almanacs and one Almanac of 1799, Henry Deering, Esq.

Longfellow's Inaugural Address, 1830, Hubbard Library.

By exchange:

Missouri Historical Society Collections.

Columbian Sentinel, one volume.

Jewish Historical Society publications.

Washington Historical Society publications.

New England Historical and Genealogical Quarterly.

Essex Institute publications.

Arkansas Historical Society Quarterly.

Pennsylvania Historical Society Quarterly.

By purchase:

Devon Notes and Queries.

Vital Statistics of Keene, N. H.

History of North Adams, Mass.

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maintaining a library of this size is considerable, and with our limited funds and our debt we must exercise caution in assuming responsibilities, as our wants now are many.

Since our last meeting a very full and excellent history of the old town of Boothbay has been published by a member of our Society, Francis B. Greene, Esq., of Boothbay Harbor. It is a credit to him and the towns it treats of. We have had just come from the press Volume 9 of our documentary series, Baxter manuscripts, which is being delivered to our members. It is a handsome uncut volume of 497 pages, which is a credit to our Society.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

APRIL 26, 1907.

Meetings of the Society were held at the new library hall and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. Mr. Harold M. Sewall of Bath presided and introduced the Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., of Togus, who read a paper on the origin and use of the designations Province of Maine and District of Maine.

Adjourned at 4 P. M. to the evening session which was called to order at 8 P. M., and the Honorable Clarence Hale was introduced, who gave an address on the late Honorable Nathan Webb.

Adjourned.

MAY 29, 1907.

A meeting of the Society was held at the new library hall and was called to order by the president, Mr. Baxter, at 2.30 P. M.

Mr. Nathan Goold, the librarian, read his report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Rev. John Carroll Perkins, D.D., of Portland, read a paper on the Rev. George Burroughs, the first minister of Falmouth Neck.

Adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

MAY 29, 1907.

The librarian's last report was March 20, since which time the library has been visited by many and the books are being freely used by the visitors. It is becoming more appreciated. The Maine Commandery of the Loyal Legion has voted to transfer its valuable library of books relating to the Civil War to our library and the stacks have been arranged for its reception. This is, without doubt, the best library on that subject in the State, and its removal here is without question the best disposition that could be made for its preservation and usefulness.

Since my last report we have added to our cabinet several articles. They consist of a framed portrait of Hon. John M. Wood from Mrs. Prudie A. Brooks; a piece of the gown painted for Marie Antoinette, but worn by Mrs. John Adams, from Annie F. H. Boyd of Portland; bronze medal to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Thomas Robbins, D.D., librarian and benefactor, from the Connecticut Historical Society; piece of the belfry on the Lexington, Mass., Common, April 19, 1775, from Miss Ellen A. Stone, of Lexington, together with other contributions; bullet carried by William Tukey of Portland in the Revolution, and a miniature almanac from Warren P. Chase of Portland; several mementoes of Artemus Ward from Judge Enoch Knight of Los Angeles, Cal.; maps of Cumberland, Lincoln and Penobscot counties and State of Maine, from Charles C. Harmon, Portland.

There have been added to the library since the last report 375 bound volumes and 302 pamphlets. The principal gifts were as follows:

Greely Genealogy, Gen. John Marshall Brown.
Poets of Maine, Albert W. Tolman.
Nineteen bound books, Edward H. Daveis, Esq.

Henry W. Longfellow, Dr. John C. Perkins.

Louisburg Memorial, Seville and Cadiz, Directories, Hon. Darius H. Ingraham.

John Melville Shaw, Miss Frances M. Shaw.

Life of Jay Gould, addresses of John H. Sheppard and twenty-three pamphlets, Joseph Wood.

One hundred and eighty-six volumes from the State library.

Works by John Woolman, History of England and the Annual Monitor of 1859, Miss Ellen A. Stone, Lexington, Mass.

Wisconsin Society of Colonial Wars, from the society.

One volume Canadian Archives, Canadian government.

Willis Records, Pauline Willis.

Two volumes Suffolk deeds and pamphlets, Dr. S. A. Green.

Historical Ticonderoga, George P. Bascom, Ticonderoga, N. Y.

Church List of Almanacs, Correspondence of Washington with the Continental Congress, Volume 7, Library of Congress.

Volume 2, American Historical Society's papers, A. Howard Clark.

Abraham Lincoln, Pennsylvania Loyal Legion.

Volume 1, Christian Mirror, and Events at Williston Church, Dr. Smith Baker.

By exchange we have received:

History of the 1st, 10th, 29th Maine Regiment.

Sixteen volumes of lineage books of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Pennsylvania Magazine.

New England Historic and Genealogical Register.

Chicago Historical Society Collections.

Massachusetts Historical Society Collections, Vol. 7.

Portland Transcript, Vol. 3.

Wisconsin Historical Society Proceedings.

We have purchased:

Lynn, Mass., vital records.

Templeton, Mass., vital records.

Hubbardston, Mass., vital records.

Archives of Maryland.

Register of Searsport and near towns.

Storming of Stony Point.

The Narragansett Bay.

The Connecticut River.

Histories of Norwalk, Conn., Mattituch, N. Y., Fitchburg, Mass., and Greenfield. Mass.

Horton Genealogy.

History of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties, Vt.

Devon Notes and Queries.

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The reading of the annual records was dispensed with, as they had been printed and distributed.

The librarian and curator, Nathan Goold, read his annual report, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary and biographer, William D. Patterson, was read by him, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, Fritz H. Jordan, was read by him, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the standing committee was read by the recording secretary, H. W. Bryant, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The final report of the building committee of the new library was read by the secretary, Rev. J. C. Perkins, and it was accepted with the thanks of the Society and the committee discharged.

Some discussion was held on the matter of admitting women as resident members, and finally Mr. Stilphen gave notice that he would at the next annual meeting propose a change in the By-laws, increasing the limit of resident membership to 350 and admitting women as members on the same terms with men.

The president appointed Messrs. Charles E. Allen, Joseph Wood, Rev. John C. Perkins as a committee to nominate a board of officers for the ensuing year.

The committee reported that they recommended the election of the same board as of last year, and on motion it was voted that Mr. Allen cast the ballot for the members present, which was accordingly done and the following were declared elected:

President—James P. Baxter.
Vice President—Henry L. Chapman.
Treasurer—Fritz H. Jordan.
Corresponding Secretary—William D. Patterson.
Recording Secretary—Hubbard W. Bryant.
Librarian and Curator—Nathan Goold.

Standing Committee—Rev. Henry S. Burrage, Togus; Gen. John Marshall Brown, Portland; Franklin A. Wilson, Bangor; George A. Emery, Saco; Augustus F. Moulton, Portland; Asbury C. Stilphen, Gardiner; Prentice C. Manning, Portland; Albert R. Stubbs, Portland; Henry Deering, Portland.

The president appointed Messrs. Edward D. Noyes and William H. Moulton as auditors of the treasurer's accounts for the ensuing year.

The ballot of seventy names, candidates for resident membership, having been sent to each resident member was distributed to the members present and, after some discussion, it was voted to proceed with the election and the following were declared elected resident members of the Society. The ballot for corresponding members was also cast and the following declared elected as corresponding members of the Society.

BALLOT FOR RESIDENT MEMBERS.

Amos L. Allen, Alfred.
Frank E. Allen, Portland.
Rev. James F. Albion, Portland.
Charles O. Bancroft, Portland.
Charles Addison Bean, Portland.
Rev. David N. Beach, Bangor.
William M. Bradley, Portland.
Dr. Chauncey Rea Burr, Portland.
Dr. Thomas J. Burrage, Portland.
Harry Butler, Portland.
Frank Hardy Damon, Bangor.
George F. Duncan, Portland.
Ami Louis Dennison, Wilton.
Charles Dunn, Jr., Portland.
Hannibal Hamlin Emery, Portland.
Frank Devereux Fenderson, Portland.
George Emory Fellows, Orono.
Melvin Porter Frank, Portland.
George B. Goodwin, Biddeford.
Dr. Seth C. Gordon, Portland.
George Warren Hammond, Yarmouth.
James C. Hamlen, Portland.
John Howard Hill, Portland,
Frank M. Higgins, Limerick.
Andrew Hawes, Portland.
Rev. Henry W. Hulbert, Portland.
Darius Holbrook Ingraham, Portland.
William M. Ingraham, Portland.
Henry M. Jones, Portland.
Rev. John E. Kealy, Waterville.
William B. Kendall, Bowdoinham.
Dr. Alfred King, Portland.
Dr. Irving E. Kimball, Portland.
Thomas S. Laughlin, Portland.
Arthur E. Marks, Yarmouth.
John Clair Minot, Augusta.
Thomas Bird Mosher, Portland.
Everard E. Newcomb, Eastport.
Edward Alling Noyes, Portland.
Clarence W. Peabody, Portland.
Clifford A. Plummer, Oak Hill.
Rev. F. M. Preble, Auburn.
Fabius M. Ray, Westbrook.
Gen. John T. Richards, Togus.
Rev. Lucien Moore Robinson, East Sumner.
David Wm. Snow, Portland.

Horace H. Shaw, Portland.
Burton Smith, Portland.
John C. Stacey, Popham Beach.
John C. Stewart, York.
Frederick F. Talbot, Portland.
Jeremiah W. Tabor, Portland.
Dr. Addison S. Thayer, Portland.
Benjamin Thompson, Portland.
Dr. John F. Thompson, Portland.
Elias Thomas, Portland.
Hon. Levi Turner, Portland.
Philip Foster Turner, Portland.
Rev. Frank Vernon, Portland.
Harry Mighels Verrill, Portland.
Rt. Rev. Louis Sebastian Walsh, Portland.
Dr. Stanley P. Warren, Portland.
John Clifford Warren, Westbrook.
David Simmons Waite, Lewiston.
Richard Webb, Portland.
Edward True Wing, South Portland.
Dr. William A. Wheeler, Portland.
Theodore Walter Wells, Portland.
Dr. Charles D. Witherle, Portland.
Arthur C. Yeaton, Portland.

BALLOT FOR CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Miss Alice May Longfellow, Cambridge, Mass.
John Albee, Jr., Swampscott, Mass.
Edmund Dana Barbour, Boston, Mass.
Charles Seabury Ensign, Newton, Mass.
Bernard R. Green, Washington, D. C.
William Prescott Greenlaw, Sudbury, Mass.
George A. Gordon, Somerville, Mass.
William Lincoln Palmer, Cambridge, Mass.
Walter Gifford Leland, Washington, D. C.
William M. Olin, Boston, Mass.
Horace G. Wadlin, Boston, Mass.

On motion of Mr. Jordan, the Rev. Asa Dalton, D.D., was retired from the list of resident members and made an honorary member.

The Rev. Dr. Burrage presented a report from Rev. Henry O. Thayer, now of Brooklyn, N. Y., concerning the memorial of the Preble massacre on the Kennebec river.

Dr. Burrage also made a report concerning the arrangements for the celebration, August 29, of the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Popham Colony at the mouth of the Kennebec and asked for an appropriation to be added to the State appropriation for the recutting of the memorial stone now in the enclosure of Fort Popham and its removal to its new location on land within

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law and located at Portland, in the County of Cumberland in the State of Maine, of the first part, hereinafter designated as said Society, and the Commandery of the State of Maine, of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States of the second part, hereinafter designated as said Commandery

WITNESSETH:

That WHEREAS said Commandery is the owner of a valuable Library consisting of books, pamphlets, maps, pictures and papers relating chiefly to the War of the Rebellion in the United States, which said Library and all additions hereafter made thereto, said Commandery is desirous of donating to said Society upon the terms hereinafter stated, and whereas said Society has recently constructed and now owns a Library Building on the Longfellow lot, so called, in said Portland, and is desirous of acquiring said Library of said Commandery upon the conditions hereinafter stated.

Now therefore in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenant and the agreements herein contained, said Commandery does hereby give and donate to said Society the Library now belonging to said Commandery, including all books, pamphlets, maps, pictures and papers now owned by said Commandery, and further agrees to donate to said Society all books, pamphlets, pictures, maps and papers hereafter acquired by or given to said Commandery, on condition that said Society shall give to said Library a proper place in an alcove or alcoves in said Library Building which shall bear the inscription, *Loyal Legion Library;* each of said books, pamphlets, maps, pictures and papers to be marked as the gift of said Commandery to the said Society, and that said books, maps, pictures and papers shall be cared for by said Society with the same care as other books of said Society, and that the members of said Commandery shall have the same privileges in the use of said Library so donated by said Commandery to said Society, as heretofore enjoyed by said members, while said Library was the property of said Commandery; and that any duplicate volumes of such books owned by said Society shall be exchanged by said Society for other war books which shall be added to said Loyal Legion Library.

Said Society accepts said Library on the terms herein above set forth, and hereby binds itself to carry out all the conditions of this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Maine Historical Society has caused this agreement to be executed by its President, thereunto duly authorized by vote of said Society of June 25, 1907, and said Commandery by its Commander and Recorder thereunto duly authorized by vote of said Commandery of May 1, 1907.

MAINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Witnesses.	N. M. HOWARTH.	JAMES PHINNEY BAXTER, *President.*
	JAMES L. BLAKE.	STEPHEN H. MANNING, *Commander.*
	E. M. BURRAGE.	HENRY S. BURRAGE, *Recorder.*

On the part of the Maine Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

Professor Allen Johnson, of Brunswick, in a few remarks advocated the importance of an historical journal, and it was voted that a committee be appointed, of which the president shall be one to consider the advisability of publishing an historical journal and to report to the Society at the next annual meeting. The president accordingly appointed Messrs. Rev. H. S. Burrage and Rev. John C. Perkins as said committee.

Adjourned.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 25, 1907.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 26, 1906, as per last report,		$ 316.68
Income of invested funds,	$700.50	
Income of Walker Fund,	60.00	
Admittance fees, six new members,	60.00	
Arrears of dues,	69.00	
Annual dues, 1907, 146 members,	438.00	
Sales of publications of the Society,	252.46	
Sales of duplicates,	17.15	
State of Maine, for 500 copies, Vol. 9, Documentary Series,	1,000.00	
Longfellow Memorial Fund, in payment of cash transferred as per last report,	1,000.00	
		$3,597.11
		$3,913.79

PAYMENTS.

Union Safe Deposit & Trust Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00	
Salaries of recording secretary, librarian and assistant,	790.69	
Additions to library, account, Walker Fund,	265.92	
Printing,	36.90	
Binding,	37.27	
Balance of cost of Vol. 2, Series 3,	373.06	

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Income of Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Admissions, season of 1906,	$2,075.50	
Profit on articles sold at house,	598.10	
Contributions of visitors at house,	50.71	
		$2,724.31
Borrowed on notes of the Society,		5,000.00
		$7,726.13

PAYMENTS.

Account library building:		
Snead Iron Works, third tier of book stacks,	$1,398.00	
Consolidated Electric Light Co., wiring and installing fixtures,	562.31	
McKenney & Waterbury Co., electric fixtures,	297.00	
Smith & Rumery, carpenters,	516.09	
F. W. Cunningham & Son, mason,	5.29	
Painting,	73.02	
Hollivan & Parker, shutters on basement,	174.00	
Wire guards in vault,	25.00	
Architect's commission,	815.44	
		$3,866.15
Furniture for library building,		357.95
Interest,		478.75
W. W. Carman, heating plant for house,		500.81

Expenses Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	$567.75	
Repairs and maintenance,	78.63	
Furnishing,	129.00	
Fuel, lights and cleaning,	82.81	
Printing, signs, and record books,	32.20	
Sundry items,	32.02	
		$922.41
Returned to general fund Maine Historical Society, cash transferred, as per last report,		1,000.00
Cash on hand, June 25, 1907,		600.06
		$7,726.13

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW LIBRARY BUILDING.

PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY, REV. JOHN C. PERKINS, D.D.

THE WADSWORTH-LONGFELLOW HOUSE.

On June 26, 1901, the Wadsworth-Longfellow Memorial Committee was appointed to take into its custody the property of the Society coming to it under the will of Mrs. Anne Longfellow Pierce and plan for its future.

This committee met for the first time at the office of Gen. John Marshall Brown on Monday, July 15, 1901, at two o'clock. There were present Messrs. Baxter, Brown,

Chamberlain, Symonds, Chapman, Deering, Jordan, Perkins. Mr. Baxter called the committee to order, Mr. Jordan was voted treasurer, Mr. Perkins was voted secretary. Mr. Symonds and Mr. Chapman were appointed to prepare an appeal to the public for funds; also a form of receipt. Messrs. Brown, Jordan and Deering were appointed a special committee for raising funds. Mr. Perkins was subsequently added to this committee.

After this meeting the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution offered to the committee for raising funds all assistance within their power. It was decided to invite several women's organizations of a patriotic, civic and literary character to lend their aid. A conference was summoned of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Colonial Dames, Woman's Literary Union, Women's Council and Civic Club of Portland, Thatcher Relief Corps, No. 26, Thatcher National Relief Corps, No. 75, Bosworth State Relief, No. 1. A meeting was called for Friday, July 26, 1901. On that date delegates were present and plans were discussed with the committee on raising funds at the rooms of Mrs. F. E. Boothby, Falmouth Hotel. The societies there represented voted that the following committee be a committee of consultation with the committee for raising funds: Civic Club, Mrs. E. C. Jordan; Woman's Literary Union, Mrs. John O. Rice; Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. F. E. Boothby; Daughters of 1812, Mrs. Charles A. Dyer; Thatcher Post, No. 75, Mrs. Fred G. Runnells; Thatcher Relief Corps, No. 26, Mrs. Minnie Ilsley; Women's Council, Mrs. E. M. Knight; Colonial Dames, Mrs. F. H. Gerrish. Power was given to this committee to add other names in their discretion.

On July 30, 1901, the committee on Wadsworth-Longfellow memorial met at the office of Mr. Baxter in the Portland Savings Bank. It was voted to accept the appeal to the public, provided for at the meeting July 15 inst.,

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heating, grading and other special work inaugurated and carried to a successful fulfillment the work of building a library on the property in accord with the requirements in the will of Mrs. Pierce.

The first shovelful of earth for the foundations of the library was thrown out October 29, 1902. The stone work was completed that winter. The first brick for the walls was laid May 27, 1903.

The committee on construction of the new library building at a meeting July 25, 1904, discussed, and at a meeting July 26 voted to change the architect's plans by placing a floor at the level of the originally planned galleries. This decision was reached because of the evident need of more room.

The building was dedicated February 27, 1907, the slowly maturing plans of construction having at last reached their purpose and the transfer of the Society's possessions having been safely accomplished.

While it is naturally not the desire of members of the committee that discriminating credit be considered, yet it seems to me due to those who care for the Society's records that a few statements be made. To Mr. Jordan belongs the credit of having most patiently and with great fidelity managed the financial details of this undertaking, a task that was never easy, but always demanding the closest enterprise and oversight. The interior arrangements and decoration, the furniture and all fittings of the building, while nominally in the care of all, were generally found following the good taste and acute judgment of Mr. Deering. To him more than to any other one we owe the general effect that meets the visitor's eye. As the antiquarian instinct of Mr. Goold, joined to a peculiar business quality of exploiting the memory of Mr. Henry Longfellow in connection with the residence of his family, has made the Wadsworth-Longfellow house one of the most attractive literary shrines and a typical New England

home of a century ago, so Mr. Goold's added qualities of most generous industry, painstaking toil and absolutely uninterrupted devotion in the moving of the books and memorabilia of the Society from the Baxter building to the new library have completed a task which involved an amount of labor not readily appreciated, but when appreciated a cause for general gratitude.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN AND CURATOR, JUNE 25, 1907.

The past year has been an eventful one in the history of our Society. During the year the library and cabinet have been installed in the new library building. The dedicatory exercises were held February 27, 1907, the centennial birthday of Henry W. Longfellow, a former librarian of our society, and were of a character that gave us honor. Since that time the library room has been kept open for the use of the public both forenoons and afternoons. We hear nothing but praise for the good taste exhibited by the library committee in the furnishings and in the adornment of the walls. The arrangement of the books and cabinet appears to be to the satisfaction of our members and the visitors. We have a most valuable and useful library and have many rare historical articles in our cabinet, all of which must give us prestige among the historical societies of the country. We have broadened in our work and opened our treasures to all.

The Fogg collection of autograph letters has been placed in the case arranged for it in the fireproof vault, but owing to risk of injury by handling it has been deemed wise by the library committee to have the greatest care taken for its preservation. Later some arrangements will be made for the exhibition of these letters in a glass case where they cannot be harmed. It is one of the great collections

of the country and of itself will make us known among the historical students of the land.

The Wadsworth-Longfellow house, with its priceless collection, the peer of which cannot be found in the world, open for public inspection, with our new library building in the rear, on land made holy by the feet of Longfellow and his distinguished relatives, given to our Society by the poet's sister, Anne Longfellow Pierce, whose name now adds lustre to her father's famed family, and the house built by that distinguished general and citizen, Peleg Wadsworth, gives to the Maine Historical Society a home of more historic interest than that of any society of which we have knowledge. Our debt is as naught to what we possess. We have something to be proud of.

Since my last report, May 22, 1907, numbers of books, pamphlets, etc., have been added to the library by gift, exchange and purchase. The principal gifts were as follows:

Volume 27, Archives of Maryland, from the Maryland Historical Society.

Pine Tree Magazine from the publishers.

History of Fall River from the city clerk.

Thirty-nine numbers American Historical Record from Mrs. Sarah B. Lawrence.

Twelve numbers Potter's American Monthly from the Merrill Memorial Library.

Agnes Stanhope, A Tale of English Life, from Lieut. Oliver P. Remick.

Two volumes Portland Gazette, 1807 and 1808, and a framed picture of the old Cumberland county court house, also one of the post office in Portland, from Mrs. Nathan Webb.

A framed oil portrait of Isaac Ilsley, one of the most prominent citizens of Portland in his time, from his grandson, Stephen Cummings, Esq.

By purchase we have acquired the History of Barnstead, N. H.

Memorial History of Hartford County, Conn., 2 volumes.

History of Bridgeport, Conn.

The Scotch Clans and their Tartans.

During the past year we have acquired 755 bound volumes and 754 pamphlets.

We have loaned to us for exhibition in our library room the portrait of Commodore Edward Preble, "The Bom-

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POPHAM TER-CENTENARY

AUGUST 29, 1907.

Pursuant to the call issued by the ter-centenary committee of the Maine Historical Society, Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., chairman, members of the Society and, by invitation, members of the Society of Colonial Wars of Maine, and members of the Society of Colonial Dames of Maine, assembled at the little church at Popham Beach on the morning of August 29, 1907, and listened to an historical address by the president of the Society, Hon. James P. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter's address was followed by an oration by Professor Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College.

A poem, entitled "Virginia of Sagadahoc," by Mr. Harry L. Koopman, librarian of Brown University, was read by the Rev. John Carroll Perkins, D.D., of Portland.

The company then repaired to a rocky spur of Sabino Head, a part of the site of the original Fort St. George of the Popham Colony, and Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., of Togus, told the story of the discovery at Simancas, Spain, of the plan of Fort St. George, and of its disclosure of the site of the fort.

A memorial tablet of granite, placed there at the expense of the State of Maine, the Maine Historical Society, the Society of Colonial Wars of Maine, and the Society of Colonial Dames of Maine, was then unveiled by Mr. Fritz H. Jordan, governor of the Society of Colonial Wars, and Mrs. William Addison Houghton, president of the Colonial Dames of Maine. The tablet bears the following inscription: "The first English colony on the shores of New England was founded here, August 29, N. S. 1607, under George Popham."

After the unveiling of the tablet, a governor's salute of seventeen guns was fired from the revenue cutter Woodbury in honor of George Popham, who was governor of the first colony and was buried within the inclosure of Fort St. George.

Adjourned.

OCTOBER 24, 1907.

The regular monthly meeting was held at the new library hall, and was called to order by the president, Mr. Baxter, at 2.30 P. M.

In the absence of Mr. Goold, the librarian, his report of accessions to the library and cabinet was read by Mr. Joseph Wood.

A paper, descriptive of a collection of stone implements gathered by him from various localities in and out of the state, was read by Mr. John Witham Penney, of Mechanic Falls, Me.

Mr. Baxter read his paper on the beginnings and endings of the Popham colony, which was prepared especially for the Popham celebration of August 29, 1907.

Adjourned.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

OCTOBER 24, 1907.

The librarian's last report was at the annual meeting, June 25. Since that date probably more people have visited our library room than ever, in the same time, in our history. We hear nothing but words of praise for our efforts, from our guests. They have been mostly tourists, who are interested in historical matters, although we have many students.

The books of the Maine Loyal Legion are now arranged on our shelves to the satisfaction of the members of that

society. They have since contributed thirty-eight bound books, relating to the Civil War, to the collection, and each book has a book plate, giving that society credit for the contribution. We have had several valuable contributions to our cabinet, among which are the following: A marble bust of Edward Everett, by Paul Akers, given by ten members of our Society, namely, Hon. Charles F. Libby, Hon. James P. Baxter, Nathan Goold, John Carroll Perkins, D.D., Henry Deering, Esq., Franklin R. Barrett, Esq., Judge Clarence Hale, Franklin C. Payson, Esq., Judge Joseph W. Symonds and Charles S. Fobes, Esq. From Mrs. Margaret J. M. Sweat we have two signed manuscript poems of R. H. Stoddard, with valuable manuscripts, pamphlets, etc. Another most valuable contribution is the original manuscript of the autobiography of Gen. Peleg Wadsworth, written for his little children while in Congress in 1795, given by his granddaughter, Mrs. Susannah W. Hubbard, of Hiram, Me.

Since the last report we have added to the library 133 bound volumes and 987 pamphlets and publications of interest to our members. Among the most notable are the following:

A rare life of Commodore Preble and also "The Naval Monument," 1815, from Charles T. Harbeck, Esq., of New York, a visitor.

Four volumes relating to Bowdoin College, from John Clair Minot.

The Whaley Record, from Mrs. S. D. Whaley, Riverhead, N. Y.

Macauley's History of England, five volumes, also History of Russia and History of Italy, by John S. C. Abbott, from Nathan Goold.

Twenty-two volumes relating to the United State Army, West Point, etc., from Hon. Amos L. Allen.

Youthful Haunts of Longfellow, from George T. Edwards.

Eight hundred and thirty numbers of the London Notes and Queries, 1882–1900, from Charles Edwin Hurd, of Dorchester, Mass.

Almanacs of Roger Sherman, from Victor H. Paltsits, of Albany, N. Y.

Seven numbers of the Lynn, Mass., publication, from the Lynn Historical Society.

One volume of Canadian Archives, from Arthur G. Doughty.

Journal of the Continental Congress, 1777, from the Library of Congress.

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is paid, but that will be done sooner or later. Our Society has assumed the responsibility, and will show that it is equal to the task that it has taken upon itself.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

NOVEMBER 22, 1907.

The regular monthly meeting of the Society was held at the new library hall and, in the absence of the president, was called to order by Mr. Charles H. Boyd, who took the chair at 2.45 P. M.

Mr. Nathan Goold read his report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Rev. Dr. John C. Perkins read a poem written by Hon. James P. Baxter entitled "The Garden," referring to the garden of the Wadsworth-Longfellow homestead now occupied by the Society's library building.

Hon. Augustus F. Moulton read his address, which was prepared for the celebration at Valley Forge Park, Pennsylvania, October 17, 1907, by the Societies of the Sons of the American Revolution, and especially commemorative of the heroism of the soldiers of the Revolution who enlisted from Maine and were present at Valley Forge during the winter of 1777-78.

The Rev. Dr. Burrage followed by a report of the celebration and dedication of the tablet in honor of the soldiers from Maine in the war of the Revolution. Dr. Burrage presented a list of the soldiers from Maine who were believed to have been at Valley Forge in General Washington's army, which had been carefully prepared from the muster rolls in the archives of Massachusetts.

Adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

NOVEMBER 22, 1907.

We have added to our library since October 13, 1907, 203 bound volumes and 677 pamphlets, making a total of 880 titles. By gift we received 156 bound volumes and 660 pamphlets; by purchase, forty-six bound volumes and fourteen pamphlets, and by exchange, two bound volumes and three pamphlets. This is a valuable addition. Among the gifts were 385 titles from the estate of the late Hon. Josiah H. Drummond, 326 titles from Edgar Nichols, Esq., of Cambridge, Mass., forty-nine titles from Edward M. Rand, Esq., and the Brackett genealogy from Herbert I. Brackett, Esq., of Washington, D. C.

The principal books we have purchased are:

Histories of Chicopee Street, Mass., Nonatum and Natick, Mass., Old Dunstable, Mass., Greenfield, Mass., two volumes, Nutfield, Mass., Lawrence, Mass., South Boston, Mass., Holden, Mass., Stockbridge, Mass., Clemsford, Mass., Old Dorchester, Mass., Wenham, Mass., Andover, Mass., Amesbury and Merrimac, Mass., Franklin, Mass., Somerville, Mass., Raynham, Mass., Warren, Mass., Hampden County, Mass., Plymouth County, Mass., Norfolk County, Mass., Worcester County, Mass., two volumes, Berkshire County, Mass.

West Springfield Centennial, Mass.

Records of the Town of Cambridge, Mass.

Old Dartmouth Centennial, Mass.

Records of Dedham, Mass.

Cambridge Epitaphs.

Dorchester Epitaphs.

Hollister and Its First Century.

Histories of Dublin, N. H., Coos County, N. H., Hillsborough County, N. H., Rockingham and Strafford Counties, N. H., Keene, N. H., Holderness, N. H., Lancaster, N. H., Windham, N. H., Maverick, R. I., Norwich, Conn., Cromwell, Conn., Northfield, Vt.

Historic Harpswell, Me.

Chronicles of Casco Bay, Me.

Two Centuries of New Milford, Conn.

Among the donations are four scrap books containing a newspaper history of the Spanish war, from Dr. Stanley P. Warren, and a muster roll of Capt. James Means's

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Company in Col. Ebenezer Sprout's Second Massachusetts Regiment in 1781, from Charles F. Porter, Esq.

We have greatly enlarged the usefulness of our library, but still much more can be done when we have sufficient means to do so. Our manuscripts should be repaired and arranged for their preservation and usefulness, but our first effort should be to acquire the town and county histories of northern New England, acquiring those of Rhode Island and Connecticut as convenient. The opportunity to purchase such books grows less every year and the prices higher. These are the books most called for. Our collection on Maine history is very complete and we are continually adding to it. We are laying the foundation of an historical reference library that the people of Maine will be proud of, and it only remains for them to give us sufficient financial support that it may be brought to the highest standard.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

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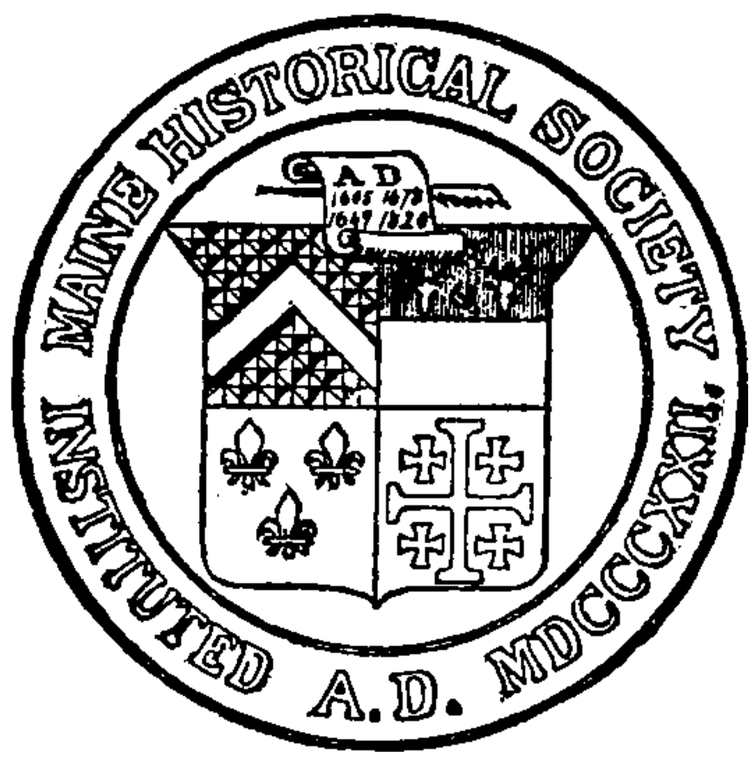

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Valley Forge, a Chronicle of American Heroism, from Hon. F. E. Boothby.

Life of William Pitt Fessenden, two volumes, from James D. Fessenden, Esq.

Biographical Sketches of Eight Generations of Hoopers in America, from Mrs. William Sumner Crosby.

A Political History of Slavery, two volumes, from the author, William Henry Smith.

York Deeds, five volumes, from Maine State Library.

History of Dakota County, Minnesota, from John F. Larrabee, Esq.

Volume 2, Cambridge Historical Society publications, from that society.

John Paul Jones Commemoration, from Hon. Amos L. Allen.

Fifteen bound books and fifty-five pamphlets, from Hon. Darius H. Ingraham.

Victor H. Paltsits, Esq., State historian of New York, contributed the following books:

Public Papers of Daniel Tompkins, two volumes.

Third Annual Report of the State Historian of New York.

New York Ecclesiastical Records, Vol. 4.

Council of Appointment, Military Records of New York, four volumes.

Public Papers of George Clinton, four volumes.

For the adornment of our reading room we have had the following valuable contributions:

A large framed oil portrait of Sir William Pepperell, by Kahill, from Henry Deering, Esq.

A handsome marble bust of Hon. John B. Brown, Portland's greatest merchant, with a marble pedestal, also a bust of President Andrew Jackson, with pedestal, both from the family of Mr. Brown.

An unmounted oil portrait of a brigadier general, in full uniform, his name unknown to the donor, from Charles G. Kenney of Portland.

We have purchased:

History of Merrimac and Belknap Counties, Mass.

History of Taunton, Mass.

History of Stoneham, Mass.

History of Arlington, Mass.

History of St. Albans, Vt.

History of Newport County, R. I.

History of Smithfield, R. I.

History of New London, Conn.

Genealogical Sketches of the Early Settlers of West Simsbury, Conn., now Canton.

The Longfellow Collector's Hand Book.

Complete Index to the Magazine of American History.

History of Rockingham, Vt., including Bellows Falls.

Poems of Rod and Gun, Isaac McLellan.

Fun Jottings, Nathaniel P. Willis.

Divine Tragedy, Henry W. Longfellow.

For our cabinet we have been presented by Joseph Wood, Esq., an engraved copper plate from which were printed the bills of the Lincoln and Kennebec bank of Wiscasset.

Since our last meeting the Society has published the exercises at the Popham celebration, last August.

This will also be printed in the next volume of collections and for that reason it was thought wise to distribute copies to the historical societies, state libraries, public libraries and to those particularly interested, which has been under the direction of your president.

Respectfully,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

FEBRUARY 26, 1908.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall in Portland, Wednesday, February 26, 1908, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

The Reverend John Carroll Perkins, D. D., was introduced, who read a paper on George Foster Talbot, a former member of this Society.

A vote of thanks to Dr. Perkins for his paper and a copy requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

MARCH 25, 1908.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall March 25, 1908. The president in the chair introduced John Albree, Esquire, of Boston, who gave a very entertaining and instructive address on "How time was kept when we lived under a king." The address was illustrated by an exhibition of ancient time pieces contributed by the president, and Mr. Albree. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Albree.

Adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, MARCH 25, 1908.

The librarian's last report was made January 23, 1908. Since that time we have added to the library 80 bound volumes and 168 pamphlets, a total of 248. 179 were by gift, 45 by exchange and 24 by purchase. The principal gifts were:

Poet Wildey and His Poem, from Charles E. Jackson.

Goss Family Chronicles, Manuscript Sermons by Rev. Joseph Wood, and Gouldsboro Land Improvement Co., from Joseph Wood.

Illustrated Biographies of Prominent Bath Citizens, from Novello Crafts.

Coffin's Maine Digest, Public Laws of Maine, volumes 8 and 9, and Maine Digest, 1820, 1879, Plaisted & Appleton, from Hon. George E. Bird.

Volumes 8 and 9 of the publications of the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, from Rev. Dr. John Carroll Perkins.

Moses Owen's Ballads of Portland, and Mary H. Lastroff's Poems, from Alice May Douglass.

Families of Perkins, Fairfield and King, from Hon. George C. Perkins.

Poems of N. D. Albee and Isaac Watt's Sermons, from Mrs. Virgil D. Hilton.

Genealogical Record of the St. Nicholas Society of New York, from the society.

Numbers of the Hebron Semester, from Judge Percival Bonney's estate.

The Leiter Library Catalogue, from Mrs. Mary J. Leiter and Joseph H. Leiter.

Ten Portland Yacht Club Year Books, from Charles F. Flagg, secretary.

Bibliography of the Publications of American Historical Societies, from the American Historical Association.

The Gates Book and Two Country Cemeteries, from Miss Mittie B. Fairbanks.

Representative Women of New England, American Men of Science, and A Stroll with Keats, illustrated, by Frances Clifford Brown, from Nathan Clifford Brown, Esq.

The important exchanges we have made are:

New Jersey Historical Society Proceedings.
Volume 33, New York Historical Society Proceedings.
Oregon Historical Society Proceedings.
New Hampshire Historical Society Proceedings.
Missouri Historical Society Proceedings.
Eliab Alden's Ancestors and Descendants.
Plymouth County Marriages.
Gov. Bradford's Letter Book.

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Mrs. Woolson presented the topic of her address as The National Heraldry of England, America, France and Germany. Mrs. Woolson was listened to with close attention and received a vote of thanks.

Adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

May 14, 1908.

Since my last report, made March 25, the progress in our library has been kept up. We have made many valuable additions. There have been added 168 bound volumes and 802 pamphlets, a total of 970 items. The gifts have been 504, the exchanges 303 and the purchases 163. The principal gifts have been as follows:

Two hundred and seventy-five State reports from the Maine State library.

Soldiers of the King Philip War, third edition, from Rev. Geo. M. Bodge.

Large volume on Heraldry by Joseph Edmondson, 1780, from Dr. Edwin F. Vose.

The Scottish Gael or Celtic Manners, from Mrs. Eliza A. Waterhouse.

Twelve reports from Hon. Andrew Hawes.

Hunt's Magazine, 1846–1868, from Miss Mary J. E. Clapp.

Catalogue of the Athenean Society and Volume 2 Old Churches and Families of Virginia, from Hannibal H. Emery, Esq.,

Genealogical and Family History of New Hampshire, four volumes, from the Lewis Publishing Co. of New York.

History of Pine Tree Lodge, Mattawamkeag. from Stephen Berry, Esq.

Journal of the Continental Congress, 1778, Volume 10, from the library of Congress.

Story of the Milford, Conn., Memorial, from Mrs. Nathan G. Pond.

By exchange we have received:

Essex Institute collections.
N. E. Historic and Genealogical Register.
Missouri Historical Society collections.
Nebraska Historical Society collections.
Proceedings of the N. H. Historical Society.

Our purchases have been:

Vital Records of Rockingham, Vt.

Vital Records of Beverly, Westminster, Marlborough, Dudley, Lincoln, Middlefield, Holliston, Billerica and Dover, Mass.

Marlborough, Mass., Burial Grounds and Inscriptions.

History of Rhode Island, Field, three volumes.

Journal of Dr. Ellis Cornelius.

Final Memorials of Henry W. Longfellow.

Rag Bag, Out Doors at Idlewild, People I Have Met, Inklings of Adventure, The Convalescent and A Summer Cruise in the Mediterranean, six volumes, by N. P. Willis.

The Dexter Genealogy.

Twenty volumes of The Granite Monthly, which completes our set to July, 1903.

The Willis Records.

N. H. Genealogical Record.

Devon, England, Notes and Queries.

Acadensis.

Journal of American History.

History of Peterborough, N. H.

Captivity and Sufferings of Zadock Steele.

The contributions to our cabinet have been:

A valuable lot of books, charts, plans, letters and manuscripts, from the family of the late Alexander W. Longfellow.

An antique water pitcher and a pair of spectacles worn by Elijah Bradbury, a Revolutionary soldier, from Mrs. Eliza A. Waterhouse.

Several autograph letters and two passports, from Hon. D. H. Ingraham.

A valuable lot of letters, manuscripts and pamphlets, from Edward H. Daveis, Esq.

Sampler made by Jane Brooks, then aged nine years, from Mrs. George B. Swasey.

Miscellaneous lot of deeds and manuscripts formerly the property of Dr. Aaron Porter, from Miss Mary King Longfellow.

The account books and business papers of Thomas and Robert I. Robinson of Portland, from Charles E. Wyer.

Since my last report we have issued and distributed Volume 11 of our Documentary Series. This is the sixth volume of the Baxter manuscripts and covers a most interesting period of the history of our early towns. This Society has published 35 bound volumes; more in proportion to its financial resources than any State Historical

Society. We rank either third or fourth in the number of volumes of permanent publications. Our future depends on the financial support given us. History is being made every day and should be fully recorded before too late.

We have been presented by A. W. Longfellow his marine collection, which will soon be removed to the library. This is a valuable addition to our cabinet.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

ANNUAL MEETING.

JUNE 23, 1908.

The annual meeting was held at the lecture room of Hubbard Hall at Brunswick, June 23, 1908, and was called to order at 2 P. M. by the president, James P. Baxter.

Members present: Charles E. Allen, James P. Baxter, Hubbard W. Bryant, Samuel C. Belcher, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Gen. J. P. Cilley, Henry Deering, George A. Emery, Nathan Goold, Hon. Clarence Hale, Prof. Allen Johnson, Prof. Henry Johnson, Fritz H. Jordan, James M. Larrabee, Rev. George Lewis, E. B. Norton, William D. Patterson, Albert R. Stubbs, Archie Lee Talbot, Henry S. Webster, Daniel S. Waite, Joseph Wood, Frederick Talbot.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last annual meeting, as they had been printed and distributed.

The annual report of the librarian and curator, Nathan Goold, was read by him, and it was voted to accept the same to be placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, Fritz H. Jordan, was read by him in detail, and it was voted to accept the same to be placed on file.

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The following ballot for resident members having been distributed was cast and were declared elected:

Charles C. Bickford, Portland.
John Wm. D. Carter, Portland.
Solomon B. Cloudman, Gorham.
Walter Cary, Houlton.
John Dennett, York.
Albert B. Hall, Portland.
Arthur P. Howard, Portland.
Adam P. Leighton, Portland.
Frederic V. Mathews, Portland.
Warren W. Mansfield, Portland.
Stanley T. Pullen, Portland.
William Senter, Portland.
Harold E. Smith, Wiscasset.
George B. Swasey, Portland.
Fenton Tomlinson, Portland.
Scott Wilson, Portland.
Eugene P. Webber, Westport.

Also the following were elected corresponding members:

Waldo Lincoln, Worcester, Mass.
John Albree, Swampscott, Mass.

On motion of Mr. Fritz H. Jordan, Mr. Francis H. Fassett of Portland was elected an honorary member.

A supplementary list of candidates for election as resident members was read by the president, but as the list had not been distributed to the members a month in advance of the annual meeting in accordance with the By-laws, on motion it was voted to lay the same on the table.

On motion of Mr. A. C. Stilphen it was voted that the corresponding secretary be requested to make a collection of letters of acceptance from corresponding members and other important communications received by him, and cause the same to be preserved in a folio volume similar to the volumes of the Kennebec Company papers and properly labelled, the same to be kept in the Society's vault.

Mr. Stilphen also proposed sundry amendments to the By-laws which were laid upon the table without action.

Mr. Henry S. Webster, of Gardiner, made a verbal report of work done by him in collecting vital statistics and grave stone inscriptions in Gardiner and vicinity.

The following were appointed a committee to collect grave stone inscriptions in Maine: Messrs. H. S. Webster, W. D. Patterson, Albert R. Stubbs.

Voted that the president, treasurer and librarian be a committee to procure the usual appropriation from the legislature for continuing the publication of our documentary series.

Auditors appointed, Edward D. Noyes and William H. Moulton.

Adjourned.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 23, 1908.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

SIRS:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand June 25, 1907, as per last report,		$ 5.62
Income of invested funds,	$ 693.48	
Income of Walker Fund,	60.00	
Admittance fees, forty-four new members,	440.00	
Annual dues, 1908, 188 members,	564.00	
Arrears of dues and prepaid dues,	96.00	
Sales of publications of the Society,	84.73	
Sales of duplicates,	24.46	

State of Maine, for 500 copies, Vol. 10, Documentary Series,	$1,000.00	
State of Maine, for 500 copies, Vol. 11, Documentary Series,	1,000.00	
City of Portland,	1,000.00	
Return premium of insurance,	14.50	
Women's Literary Union,	20.00	
Temporary Loan,	146.00	
		$5,143.17
		$5,148.79

PAYMENTS.

Union Safe Deposit & Trust Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00	
Salaries of librarian, assistant, and recording secretary,	1,195.99	
Janitor,	355.83	
Fuel, lights and water,	226.52	
Maintenance and repairs,	50.36	
Printing,	90.15	
Sundry miscellaneous items,	214.83	
		$2,158.68
Longfellow Fund, for furniture bought in 1907,	370.45	
Furnishing,	20.16	
		390.61
Additions to library, account, Walker Fund,	502.23	
Binding,	93.24	
		595.47

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Income of Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Admissions, season of 1907,	$2,420.75	
Profit on articles sold at house,	709.32	
Contributions of visitors at house,	36.40	
		3,166.47
		$4,124.48

PAYMENTS.

Iron fence, foundation, etc.,	$1,227.58	
Brick walk,	228.08	
Grading and loam,	64.75	
Expenditures on building,	69.71	
		$1,590.12
Expenses Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	584.82	
Repairs and maintenance,	128.64	
Furnishing,	61.71	
Fuel, lights and cleaning,	41.89	
Printing, signs and record books,	39.70	
Sundry items,	17.27	
		874.03
Interest on debt,	643.26	
Reduction of debt,	1,000.00	
		1,643.26
Cash on hand, June 23,		17.07
		$4,124.48

With the completion of the fence in front of the Wadsworth-Longfellow lot the construction account of the new library building has been closed. The amount expended on construction, on book stacks, heating plant, electric wiring and fixtures, architect's commission, fence and walk, is $38,201.18. Of this amount, $16,682.42 has been raised by subscription, $15,000 by loan, and the balance, $6,518.76, has been paid from the income of the house.

Under present conditions the net income of the house is sufficient to pay the interest on the debt and to reduce it by at least one thousand dollars each year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND BIOGRAPHER, JUNE 23, 1908.

Your corresponding secretary and biographer begs leave to report that notices of their election were promptly sent to those who were chosen members last year. Of the forty-five then elected, who have paid their admission fees as resident members, nine have furnished biographical material. Of the corresponding members elected last year seven have accepted such election.

Long delayed notices of the election, before the present incumbent assumed the duties of the office, of Miss Sarah Orne Jewett, Mrs. Kate Douglass Wiggin and Mrs. Abba Goold Woolson to honorary membership have been sent, and acceptances of such membership by each of those members are filed herewith.

Seven resident members have died during the past year. Their names and the dates of their admission to the Society are as follows:

John Marshall Brown,	1865
George Frederick Evans,	1898
George Warren Hammond,	1907
Leslie Alexander Lee,	1889
Albert Ware Paine,	1881
Frederick Dummer Sewall,	1861
George Foster Talbot,	1867

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. PATTERSON.

PROFESSOR ALLEN JOHNSON'S REPORT.

At the last annual meeting of the Maine Historical Society, a committee was appointed to take under advisement the project of publishing an historical journal upon lines suggested by Professor Allen Johnson, of Bowdoin College, at the dedication of the new library of the Society. Your committee begs leave to report as follows:

A creditable journal of the format adopted by the Pennsylvania Historical Society, published quarterly, would cost approximately fourteen hundred dollars, if an edition of one thousand copies were printed. Figures furnished by the editor of the *Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, which is the best among historical journals in the Middle West, confirm this estimate. It is assumed by the committee that the Society would not wish to undertake to publish a journal inferior to these in quality. Under the circumstances, the committee deems the financial burden of publishing such a journal too great to be undertaken, however desirable otherwise such a publication might be. It was hoped at first by the chairman that an appropriation might be secured from the legislature to aid the Society in this undertaking; but further consideration convinced him and the rest of the committee that such an appropriation, even if it could be secured, would limit the

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shelves. Many of these rarely come into the market, but when offered should be secured. This has been the policy as far as our funds would admit. It is the most useful expenditure of our funds.

Our accessions during the past year have been very satisfactory. We have added a total of 3,689 titles, both bound books and pamphlets; 2,952 were gifts, 433 exchanges and 304 purchased. The principal gifts, since May 14, are as follows:

Descendants of Capt. Joseph Miller, from C. S. Williams, Esq.

King Spruce, Day, from Henry Deering, Esq.

Twenty-three Board of Trade Journals to complete our file, from Maurice C. Rich, Esq.

Family of Capt. John Butler, from Charles B. Fillebrown, Esq.

History of the United States Capitol, two quarto volumes, from Henry M. Maling, Esq.

History of Chelsea, Mass., two volumes, The Massachusetts Historical Society Members, By-laws, etc., and nine pamphlets, from Dr. Samuel A. Green.

Wilhelm's Military Dictionary and Gazeteer, nine volumes, Diplomatic Correspondence, Tribute to the Memory of the Pilgrims, History of Farmington, Maine, Universal Knowledge, Victoria Britannia, History of Bowdoin College, with other bound books and eight pamphlets, from Mrs. Israel P. Warren.

Journal of the Continental Congress, 1778, volumes 11 and 12, from the Library of Congress.

Panama to Patagonia, from J. C. Jennings, Esq.

George Morton of Plymouth Colony and some of his descendants, from John K. Allen.

The Exiles Lay and other Poems, from the author's widow, Mrs. Frances Lelland of Lincoln, Maine.

Maine at Valley Forge, from Maine Society, S. A. R.

Casco Bay Directory, from J. Harry Lamson.

Life of P. T. Barnum, and The Mexican War and Its Warriors, from Wilhelmina M. Mantine.

Three W. L. U. Year Books, from Mrs. Charles F. Roberts.

New England Primer, reprint of 1849, from George F. Junkins, Esq.

Croswell Memorial, Alice Williams Bradbury.

Dr. William Warren Greene, Address of Henry P. Anthony, Banks Family, Maria Mitchell, Journal of Dr. Caleb Ray, Maps, Plans, Pamphlets, etc., from the family of the late Alexander W. Longfellow.

Four Pamphlets, from F. R. Barrett, Esq.

Memorial of Judge Percival Bonney, from Colby College.

The American Atlas, 1822, and a portrait of Gov. King, from Albert S. Mitchell, Esq.

Pepperell Portraits, from Frances Leighton Gregg.

Life and Writing of William Law Symonds, from Judge Joseph W. Symonds.

Our accessions by exchange have been:

Adjutant General's Report of Kansas, 1862, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868 and 1898.

Kansas Troops in the Spanish and Philippine Wars.

Rolls of the Men of the 3d, 4th, 18th and 19th Kansas Regts. in 1861.

Columbia History of Education in Kansas.

Volumes 3 and 7, Kansas Historical Society Collections and their 3d, 5th, 10th and 12th reports.

Volumes 21, 22 and 23 Worcester Society of Antiquity Proceedings.

Volume 31, New Hampshire State papers.

History of Bennington County, Vt.

Registers of the New Hampshire towns of Marleborough, Jaffrey, Troy, Swanzey, Ossipee, Treftonborough, Freedom, Henniker, Warner, Fradford and Hopkinton.

Subject Index of the N. E. Historical and Genealogical Register.

Vital Records of the Massachusetts towns of Saugus, Lynnfield, Hamilton and Essex.

To the cabinet has been given since May 14:

Twenty-eight documents relating to old Falmouth, formerly the property of Capt. Moses Pearson, from Hon. Andrew Hawes.

Passport signed by Hon. John Sherman, with other contributions, from Hon. D. H. Ingraham.

The first book of records of the Third Parish of Portland, from Mrs. S. Lizzie Emery.

A tassel from the death bed of President William Henry Harrison, from N. B. Tracy, Esq.

A rare Enterprise and Boxer China pitcher, from Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Henry Deering, Esq., and Nathan Goold.

During the past year the Loyal Legion has given for their library in addition to other contributions thirty-four bound volumes and forty-one pamphlets relating to the Civil war, for which they should receive due credit.

The Wadsworth-Longfellow house was again opened to the public yesterday with a better exhibition of the family relics and with better arrangements and in better condition than ever before. It will give us even more credit than last year, which was the most successful season, the net

receipts being over $2,000. Since first opened about 50,000 persons have visited the house and the net receipts have been between nine and ten thousand dollars, which have been spent on the new library building. Much of the credit for this belongs to many persons not members of the society, mostly ladies of Portland, who are still engaged in the work. It is hoped that they are gratified with the results.

Respectfully submitted,
NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

NOVEMBER 12, 1908.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Thursday, November 12, 1908, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair.

Chauncey Rea Burr, M. D., of Portland, was introduced, and announced as the topic of his address Religious Conditions in England During the Reign of Queen Elizabeth. Dr. Burr's address was attentively listened to and called forth remarks from some of the audience.

A vote of thanks was passed after which adjournment.

DECEMBER 10, 1908.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Thursday, December 10, 1908, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. by the president, Mr. Baxter.

The librarian, Mr. Nathan Goold, read a report of accessions to the library since June last.

Rev. Dr. Burrage read a paper on State archives throughout the United States.

On motion of Mr. Deering a vote of thanks was passed for the paper read and a copy requested for the archives of the Society.

On motion of Mr. Stilphen, it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to present to the

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Fifty-nine volumes, six pamphlets and autograph letters, from Mrs. Truman S. Perry.

History of the United States, from Emily F. Jacobson, two volumes.

Five volumes, three pamphlets and articles of interest, from Miss Ella N. Hayes.

The County Regiment and the Sport of Bird Study, from the Litchfield County University Club.

The Southgate Family, from L. B. Chapman, Esq.

Don Finemondon and Mr. Whitman, from Mrs. Elizabeth Pullen.

Eleven volumes and one pamphlet, from the family of James L. How.

Six volumes, Beverly City Documents, from the Beverly Historical Society.

Revolutionary Colors in the Revolution, from Gherardi Davis, Esq.

Canada Year Book of 1907, from the Department of Agriculture of Canada.

Calendar of the Papers of Benjamin Franklin, in the Library of the American Philosophical Society, five volumes, from that society.

Public Documents of Vermont, from the State Library.

Middlesex County, Mass., Genealogical History, four volumes, with books and pamphlets, from Nathan Goold.

Springfield, Mass., Present and Past, and Springfield Art Museum, from G. W. V. Smith, Esq.

Ten publications from Dr. Samuel A. Green.

Acts and Resolves of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, 1753-1756, from the State of Massachusetts.

Merchants' Assistant and Clerks' New Magazine, from Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

Ten pamphlets, from Dr. F. W. Putnam.

Connecticut at the Columbian Exposition, 1893, and Connecticut Men in Southern Military Prisons, from the Connecticut State Library.

Mormon Menace, from citizens of Salt Lake City.

Bust of Capt. Walstein Phillips, of the First Maine Calvary, from Capt. and Mrs. A. L. Emerson.

Thirteen De Barre's Charts of the Maine Coast, 1781, from Edward Woodman, Esq.

Manuscript Drama, written by Isaac McLellan, the poet, from Henry B. McLellan, Esq.

Two Commissions signed by President Lincoln and W. H. Seward and a Passport signed by Mr. Seward, from Dr. John W. Whidden.

Autograph copy of "Rock Me to Sleep Mother," from Mrs. Elizabeth Akers Allen.

By purchase we have received:

Twelve Naval Captains.
Hawthorne's Diary.
History of the House of Percy, two volumes.
Volume 3, Marblehead Vital Records.
Subject Index, N. E. Historical and Geneological Register.
Trenton Falls, N. P. Willis.

Hyperion, Excelsior, Hanging of the Crane and Building of the Ship, H. W. Longfellow. First editions.

Scarlet Feather, J. H. Ingraham.

Gen. N. B. Forrest.

Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and North and South Carolina, Heads of Families, by the Census of 1790.

Life of Gov. Thomas Pownall.

Two volumes, Dollar Magazine, 1841–2.

Personal Recollections of Hawthorne, Horatio Bridge.

Gazetteer of Cheshire County, N. H.

Gazetteer of Grafton County, N. H.

Town records of Fitchburg, Mass., five volumes.

Inscriptions, Groveland, Mass., Cemetery.

The Sabbath in Puritan New England.

Index to American Genealogies, 1900 and 1908.

Quebec Tercentenary Commemorative History.

Whittier Land, S. T. Pickard.

Wild Roses of Cape Ann, Roadside Poems, Poems and the Unseen Friend, Lucy Larcom, four volumes.

Oxford, N. H., Centennial.

Fern Leaves, Fanny Fern.

Autograph Letter of Fanny Fern.

Register of Shrewsbury, Mass., Families.

American Ancestry, Volume 9.

New England Legends and Folk Lore and Historic Mansions and Highways around Boston, S. A. Drake, two volumes.

Reminiscences of the Old Navy, Maclay.

Autobiography of Andrew Sherburne.

Derby, Conn., Records.

True Womanhood, John Neal.

Memoirs of Rufus Putnam.

Town Registers of Sidney, Vassalboro, China and Albion, Me., and Ashland, Plymouth, Sandwich, Campton, Holderness, Centre Harbor, and Moultonboro, N. H.

Histories of Brattleboro, Vt., Francestown, Pembroke, Troy and Charlestown, N. H., Roxbury, Uxbridge, Murrayfield, Danvers, and Webster, Mass., Litchfield County, Plymouth and Middletown, Conn., Washington County, Vt., Carroll County, N. H., Ancient Windsor, Conn., and the First Light Battery of Connecticut, in two volumes.

History of the Continental Paper Money.

The Ancient Plummers and Mortons, by Jane P. Thurston.

By exchange, we have acquired:

Five volumes, Buffalo Historical Society Publications.

The Mayflower and her Log.

Volume 3, Second Series New Jersey Archives.

Two Reports New England Society of Brooklyn.
1904 Year Book of the N. E. Society.
Official Register of the United States, 1907.
Ruth Hall, Fanny Fern.
Macdonough-Hackstaff Ancestry.
Malaeske, J. H. Ingraham.
Redfield Family History.
Four bound volumes Portland Transcript.
Volume 16, York Deeds.
Kansas Historical Society Transactions, 1907–1908.
New York Historical Society Collections, 1901 and 1902.
Massachusetts Historical Proceedings, 1907–1908.
New Hampshire Historical Society Collections, Volumes 9 and 10 and three pamphlets.
Yale Biography and Annals, two volumes.
Yale Catalogue of Officers and Graduates, 1701–1904.
Yale Directory of Living Graduates and Tucker, Dodge, Morris, Hale, Batchelder and Seymour Genealogies.

We have also the quarterly publications of the Pennsylvania, Maryland, Missouri, Iowa and Oregon Historical Societies, the Essex Institute and the American Antiquarian Society, also those of other societies when issued.

In November we issued to the members and the exchange list, Volume 12, the Baxter Manuscripts, of the Documentary Series.

The library is kept open from 9.30 A. M. until 5.00 P. M., and seems to meet the approval of its visitors. We have no complaints.

The Wadsworth-Longfellow House was opened to the public, June 22, and closed October 19. There was a paid attendance of 8,108. Every year improvements are made. The exhibit has never been as satisfactory as this season. We were assisted, as heretofore, by the ladies of the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R., the Daughters of 1812 and the members of the Woman's Literary Union. We are under obligations to these ladies, and those who have kindly assisted us since the house was opened in 1900.

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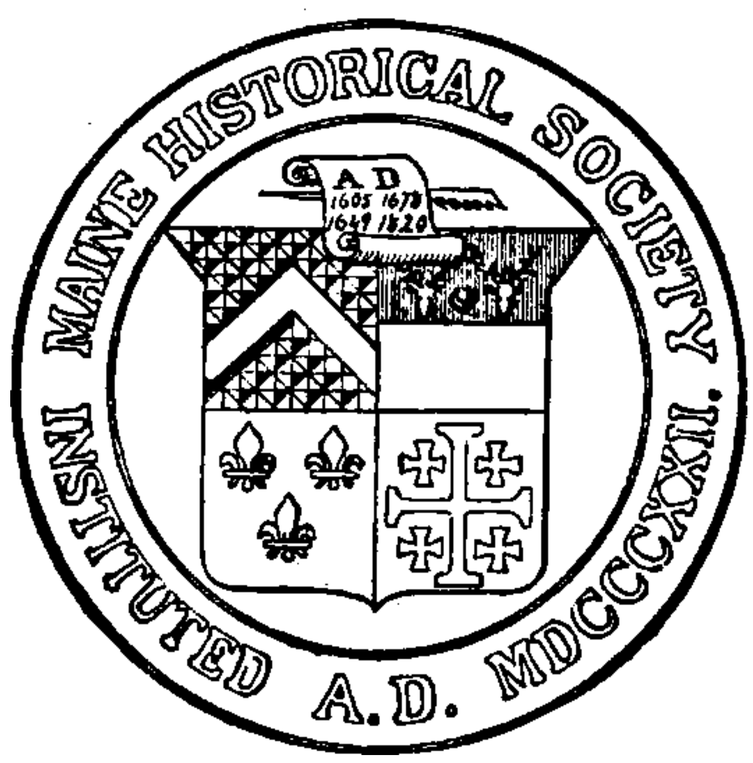

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JANUARY 13, 1909.

A meeting of the Society was held in the library hall, Portland, Wednesday, January 13, 1909, and was called to order at 3 P. M., the president in the chair. The Rev. Joseph Battell Shepherd, rector of St. Paul's church, Portland, was introduced, who announced as his topic, "The Religious Conditions in England During the Reign of Queen Elizabeth," a reply to the discourse by Dr. Chauncy Rea Burr before the Society in November last.

Adjourned.

FEBRUARY 24, 1909.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Portland, Wednesday, February 24, 1909, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. by the president, Mr. Baxter.

The librarian and curator, Mr. Goold, read his quarterly report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Extracts from the diary of Parson John Wiswall, the celebrated Tory of local fame, were read by Mr. James P. Baxter.

Paper on Dr. Jeremiah Barker of Stroudwater and Gorham was read by Dr. James A. Spalding.

Adjourned, with a vote of thanks.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

FEBRUARY 24, 1909.

Since the report made December 10, 1908, we have added to the library 174 titles. They consisted of 63 bound books and 111 pamphlets. By gift we received 33 books and 77 pamphlets, by exchange 11 books and 18 pamphlets, and by purchase 19 books and 16 pamphlets. The library never was in as good condition as it is now.

Among the gifts were:

Rise and Fall of the Irish Nation, three Consular Reports, Tribune Almanac, 1908, and Political Pamphlets from Hon. D. H. Ingraham.

Pedigree of Priscilla Hatch, from Judge F. M. Ray.

Maine Poets Calendar, from George Thornton Edwards.

Register of Richmond, Me., 1904, from Walter H. Sturtevant.

In Memoriam of Judge John A. Peters, from L. B. Chapman, Esq.

List of eight thousand Prison Ship Martyrs, from Charles L. Loring.

The Snake Devices of 1754–1776 and Constitutional Courant, 1765, from Albert Mathews, Esq,

Portland Directory, 1908, from Fred L. Tower, Esq.

Poems and Essays, from Edward C. Farnsworth.

Reminiscences of William W. Story, and Northampton, and the Meadow City, from Nathan Goold.

The Southgate Family, from L. B. Chapman, Esq.

The Fountaine Opened or Mysteries of Life Revealed, 1638, from Moses H. Sampson.

The Sword of Dundee, from H. S. Burrage, D.D.

Totemwell and The Triangular Society, from H. W. Bryant, Esq.

Five Record Books, from City of Portland.

Two Publications of the Transactions of the Massachusetts Colonial Society, from Rev. Dr. John Carroll Perkins.

Hermann Kotzschmar, from Charles Latham True.

No. 3, Proceedings of the Cambridge Historical Society, from that Society.

Sermon in Memory of James C. Churchill and Teachers' Institute Catalogue, 1851, from James H. O'Donnell.

Guide to the Archives at Washington, from Waldo G. Leland.

John Milton's Tercentenary, from Dr. S. A. Green.

American Monthly Magazine, from the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter.

Two Autograph Letters of Lydia H. Sigourney, from Mrs. Margaret D. C. Bursley.

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Evangeline, 1866 Edition.
Volume 17, Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution.
Massachusetts Magazine.
New Hampshire Genealogical Magazine.
Magazine of History.
New England Family.
Devon Notes and Queries.
Acadiensis.
Essex Antiquarian.
The Poets and Poetry of Europe, by H. W. Longfellow.
Bibliography of H. W. Longfellow.

During the month of February we are having a notable exhibition of that which relates to Abraham Lincoln and his cabinet. This exhibition is of much credit to the society, and we have had many compliments for the same.

Respectfully submitted,
NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

MARCH 25, 1909.

The regular monthly meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Portland, Thursday, March 25, 1909, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., Hon. George A. Emery in the chair.

Mr. George Smith Rowell of Portland read a paper on "The Lynching of James Cullen near the Town of Presque Isle, Aroostook County."

Adjourned with vote of thanks.

MAY 18, 1909.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Portland, Tuesday, May 18, 1909, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. by the president. Large attendance of ladies.

Mr. Nathan Goold read report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Mrs. Abba Goold Woolson read a paper on "The Friendship of Washington and Lafayette."

A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Woolson for her paper and a copy requested for the archives.

An invitation from the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to attend the exercises and unveiling of the monument to the soldiers of the Revolution at the Eastern cemetery, Portland, June 14, 1909, at 2.30 P. M., was presented and accepted.

Adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

MAY 18, 1909.

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen:

My last report was made February 24, 1909. Since that time we have made improvements in our library, the principal of which is that of making the maps, charts and plans accessible. A large case of drawers has been installed in which they have been arranged by localities. We have about three hundred relating to Maine. All New England, Middle States, Canada and general United States maps and charts are now catalogued. We have never before had the full use of these maps. For this there has been no additional expense for labor.

We have added to the library since the last report 161 bound volumes and 437 pamphlets, — a total of 598 titles. By gift we received 507, by exchange 65, and have purchased 26 titles only.

The principal gifts have been as follows:

James G. Blaine's Congressional Directory of the 45th Congress, Pope and Pagan, The Crystal Wedding, Longfellow's French Grammar, Memoir of Rev. Thomas Barnes, Prophecy or Speaking for God, Stackpole, and nineteen pamphlets, from Hubbard W. Bryant, Esq.

History of England to the accession of George IV., from Miss G. M. Dyer.

Historical Catalogue of the First Baptist Church of Providence, R. I., from Henry Melville King, D.D.

Alvord Genealogy, from Walter Haven Clark, Esq.

Six bound volumes of sample book papers, from the S. D. Warren Co.

Eleven bound volumes and seven pamphlets for the Marine Department of our library, from Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

Preservation of Park Street Church, Boston; Indications of the Creator, Return of An Old Man to His Native Place, from Edward H. Daveis, Esq.

Four Naval Registers, 1907–9., U. S. Navy Department.

Army Register, 1909, from the War Department.

Two volumes Lincoln Centennial Scrap Books, from Miss Wilhelmina M. Mantine.

Life and Correspondence of James McHenry, from Burrows Brothers Company.

Four pamphlets, from Hispanic Society of America, New York.

History of the Second Church of Hartford, Conn., from Connecticut Historical Society.

Twenty-eight Maine State Reports, from the State Library.

Two hundred and seventh Annual Record of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston, from that company.

Maryland, Its Lands, Products and Industries, from Albert R. Stubbs, Esq.

Twenty-two Pamphlets, from Hon. D. H. Ingraham.

Ten volumes of the Proceedings and Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada, from that society, which completes our set of their publications.

American Monthly Magazine, from Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R.

Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio publications, from that society.

The King's Mark, from Miss Ella M. Bangs, the authoress.

History of the United States, 3 volumes, History of the Grange Movement, Memoir of William Ellery Channing, Specimens of Theatrical Cuts, Book of Type and twenty-four numbers Winthrop Banner, from Joseph Wood, Esq.

Captain Norton's Orderly Book, 1776, Eminent Americans, Lossing, 2 volumes, In the Sleepy Hollow Country, and thirty-one pamphlets from Nathan Goold.

Plymouth Church and Other Poems, by Moses Owen, from Judge F. M. Ray.

History of Newton, Mass., and 169 railroad pamphlets, from Franklin R. Barrett, also complete set of Atlantic & St. Lawrence R. R. Reports, bound.

Year Book of the Anti Saloon League, from Rev. C. E. Owen.

List of members of the South Congregational Church, of Brockton, Mass., from Miss M. B. Fairbanks.

The Stinson Memorial, from Captain George E. Brown, of the 5th Maine Regiment, Company H Association.

Register of Harvard University, 1907–8, from the University.

Two bound volumes Union Bible Teacher, from William H. Stevens.

Secret Proceedings and Debates of the U. S. Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia in 1787, from Hon. W. P. Frye.

Twenty-seven Reports and Catalogues, from the University of Maine.

"Mementoes and Sea Pictures," Poems by Edward C. Farnsworth, from the author.

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Magazine of History.
New England Family History.
American Catholic Historical Researches.
Devon Notes and Queries.
Atlas of Hancock County, Me.

The following have been contributed to our cabinet:

A seaman's chest, used by Simon Drake, of Union, Me., on a privateer in the Revolutionary War, from Francis T. Miller.

Gen. Knox's dress sword, from the estate of Augustus G. Fuller.

Eastport map, from Hon. Amos Allen.

Forty-six quadrangle maps of Maine Towns, from Hon. William P. Frye.

Model of the old style full rigged ship "United States," with painted ports, constructed by Capt. Thomas Saunders of Wiscasset, in 1844; also framed portrait of Captain Saunders, its builder, one of Maine's old-time ship-masters; from Joseph Wood, Esq.

Two framed paintings, one pair knee buckles, six pair shoe buckles, with many articles of historic interest, from Edward H. Daveis, Esq.

Mr. Daveis has loaned us Gov. John T. Gilman's sword, History of America, captured at Yorktown in 1781, and two atlases.

Map of Phippsburg, Me., and surroundings, and map of Texas in 1844, from Dr. J. A. Spalding.

Mrs. Josephine O'Brien Campbell has loaned the society a brass mortar and pestle, brought home from Louisburg in 1745 by Morris O'Brien, and a cutlass and a fusil captured on the British ship Magaretta at Machias, Me., in 1775, by Col. Jeremiah O'Brien.

Daniel Hasty's account book for 1766–1772, gift from Mark Wiggin.

Framed painting of ship Carrollton, Capt. Isaac Sturtevant, from George C. Owen, also map of the United States, 1841.

Cannon ball dredged up in the harbor of Quebec, evidently fired in 1775, from Edward B. Cummings.

Contents of the box under the cornerstone of the City Hall, from the City of Portland.

Candle snuffer and tray, a map of Orono, Me., and also one of Hallowell, Me., with a paper eagle, framed, from L. B. Chapman, Esq.

Large picture of the Stinson monument, from Col. R. G. Shannon.

Cannon ball dredged up in Louisburg harbor, from Nathan Goold.

Misses Hannah L. and Catherine H. Talbot have loaned a cup and saucer of Lowestoft china, presented to Gen. Benjamin Lincoln by the Society of the Cincinnati, also Mrs. Lincoln's shoes and pattens.

The portraits of Alpheus Shaw and his wife, a prominent merchant of Portland in his time, have been loaned to the library by their granddaughter, Harriet C. Shaw.

The tracing used in the separation of Deering from Westbrook, showing the boundary line, from Judge F. M. Ray.

We have a very valuable collection, both in our cabinet and in our books, and it is our policy to make all as useful as possible and as free to applicants as can be safely done. Great care must always be exercised for the preservation of our collections that they may be handed to the next generation in the best possible condition. Considering the work done our expenses are very small.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

ANNUAL MEETING.

JUNE 22, 1909.

The annual meeting of the Society was held at Hubbard Hall at Brunswick, Tuesday, June 22, 1909, at 2 P. M., the president in the chair.

Members present: Messrs. Charles E. Allen, James P. Baxter, James O. Bradbury, H. W. Bryant, Henry S. Burrage, Henry L. Chapman, Fred O. Conant, Henry Deering, George A. Emery, Nathan Goold, Oliver G. Hall, Henry Johnson, Allen Johnson, William B. Kendall, George T. Little, Ira S. Locke, Everett B. Norton, Harold E. Smith, Albert R. Stubbs, Asbury C. Stilphen, Archie Lee Talbot, Frederic F. Talbot, Henry S. Webster, David S. Waite, Joseph Wood, Franklin A. Wilson.

The last annual report having been printed and distributed, it was voted to dispense with the reading.

The annual report on the library, the cabinet, and the Wadsworth-Longfellow House was read by the librarian and curator, Mr. Nathan Goold, and the reports were accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, Mr. Fritz H. Jordan, was read by him in detail, and the same was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary and biographer, William D. Patterson, was read by him, and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the doings of the standing committee was read by the secretary, H. W. Bryant, and it was accepted.

Annual reports of some of the county historical societies were read by Nathan Goold.

The annual election of the officers of the Society was then held, the nominating committee appointed by the chair being Messrs. F. O. Conant, Archie Lee Talbot and Professor Chapman.

The following board of officers was elected:

President—James P. Baxter.
Vice President—Prof. Henry L. Chapman.
Treasurer—Fritz H. Jordan.
Librarian and Curator—Nathan Goold.
Corresponding Secretary and Biographer—William D. Patterson.
Recording Secretary—Hubbard W. Bryant.
Standing Committee—Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., of Togus; Frederick O. Conant, of Portland; Henry Deering, of Portland; George A. Emery, of Saco; Prentice C. Manning, of Portland; Augustus F. Moulton, of Portland; Asbury C. Stilphen, of Gardiner; Albert R. Stubbs, of Portland; Franklin A. Wilson, of Bangor.

The president appointed Messrs. William H. Moulton and Edward D. Noyes as auditors of the treasurer's accounts.

A ballot of twenty-six names, including three ladies, candidates for resident membership, had been distributed according to the by-laws to each resident member and was now brought up for action. A discussion then ensued on the election of women members, and on motion of Mr. A. C. Stilphen it was

Resolved, That in the constitution and by-laws of this Society there is no legal obstacle to the election of women to resident membership in this Society.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, Me., June 22, 1909.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

SIRS:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

June 23, 1908. Balance on hand as per last report,		$ 2.42
Income of invested funds,	$ 709.11	
Admittance fees, seventeen new members,	170.00	
Annual dues, 1909, 202 members,	606.00	
Arrears of dues,	48.00	
Sales of publications of the Society,	102.35	
Sales of duplicates,	203.85	
State of Maine, 500 copies Vol. 12, Documentary Series,	1,000.00	
City of Portland,	1,000.00	
5 Shares National Traders Bank,	675.00	
Exchange of securities,	40.00	
		4,554.31
Temporary loan,		115.00
		$4,671.73

PAYMENTS.

Temporary loan of June, 1908,		$ 146.00
Union Safe Deposit & Trust Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00	
Salaries of librarian, assistant, and recording secretary,	1,230.04	
Janitor,	358.00	
Fuel, lights and water,	274.28	
Maintenance and repairs,	148.78	
Printing,	90.21	
Sundry miscellaneous items,	150.75	
		2,277.06
Furniture,	160.36	
Additions to library, on account, Walker Fund,	297.64	
Binding,	10.52	
Fire Insurance Premium,	405.00	
Account Vol. 11, Documentary Series,	285.00	
Account Vol. 12, Documentary Series,	1,017.64	
Account Vol. 3, Series 3,	20.00	
Contribution towards memorial shaft to Revolutionary soldiers at Eastern cemetery, Portland,	50.00	2,246.16
		$4,669.22
Cash on hand,		2.51
		$4,671.73

The invested funds of the Society consist of stocks and bonds of the par value of $16,500.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 22, 1909.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

SIRS:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures of the Longfellow Memorial Fund for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, June 23, 1908, as per last report,		$ 17.07
Income of Wadsworth-Longfellow House:		
Admissions, season of 1908,	$2,027.50	
Profit on articles sold at house,	469.58	
Contributions from visitors at house,	23.89	
		2,520.97
Due the treasurer,		3.93
		$2,541.97

PAYMENTS.

Expenses Wadsworth-Longfellow House:	
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	$544.42
Repairs and maintenance,	29.08
Furnishing,	74.59

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The death of the venerable Francis H. Fassett, who was last year elected an honorary member and accepted, is also here reported.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. PATTERSON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTIONS.

BRUNSWICK, June 22, 1909.

To the Maine Historical Society:

Your committee, to whom was referred for consideration the matter of copying gravestone inscriptions, beg leave to report:

We find that the New England Historic Genealogical Society appears to have done the most extensive and systematic work of the nature proposed, and from that Society's suggestions as to copying graveyard inscriptions we quote:

"Systematic and accurate copies of inscriptions in old graveyards should be made because on the stones are many names and dates not elsewhere recorded. When a stone disappears the record is lost. Furthermore, many graveyards containing valuable records are not easily accessible, and by means of copies of the inscriptions the searchers have at hand the desired facts. A comparison of the manuscript copies in the library of the Society with the printed vital records of towns shows that the proportion of facts found only in inscriptions does not fall below twenty per cent, and frequently reaches forty and fifty per cent of all recorded details. Where town records are especially imperfect for certain periods, or where they have been destroyed, or where the law has not required such records to be kept, the inscriptions are about the only authority.

"The Society relies for copies on the coöperation of those who are interested in preserving the facts on the ancient memorials."

The results of the work of that Society are of much value; and we believe that if the field of work here in Maine, which is open to this Society, be committed to such of the members as may have time and inclination therefor, the result will be equally valuable.

The work suggested will make necessary a small outlay for paper, printing and postage.

We are indebted to John Albree, Esq., chairman of the New England Historic Genealogical Society's Committee on Epitaphs, for valuable suggestions made in an interview had with him and by correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. WEBSTER,
WILLIAM D. PATTERSON,
ALBERT R. STUBBS.

ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 22, 1909.

Mr. President and Members of the Society:

The Library of the Maine Historical Society is now one of the notable institutions of Maine, especially of Portland. Its usefulness is unquestioned. It is the result of over eighty years' effort of the members of this Society, and shows what can be done by unselfish effort. Much more could be done had we more to do with, but with our resources, it is very creditable. Our visitors appreciate our efforts. The library never was in so accessible condition as now.

Since the last report, May 14, 1909, there has been added to the library 87 titles, 64 by gift, 5 by exchange

and 18 by purchase; 40 were bound books and 47 were pamphlets.

The principal gifts were:

Seven Year Books of the Portland Women's Literary Union of Portland, from Mrs. Joseph H. O'Neil.

Four Pamphlets on the Pike Family, from the Pike Family Association.

American Monthly Magazines, from the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R.

A pamphlet, in French, on the Deportation of the Acadians at Boston, in 1775, from The Royal Society of Canada.

"In the Haunts of Anthony" (Wayne), from Hon. F. E. Boothby.

Volumes 13, 14 and 15 of the Journals of the Continental Congress, in 1779, from the Library of Congress.

The Rambler, Samuel Johnson, four volumes, and the Evangelical Family Library, in fifteen volumes, from Mrs. Charles L. Ballard of Hallowell.

Volume 7, 1909, Publication of the Old Colony Historical Society, from that Society.

Proceedings of January 26, 1909, of the Brookline Historical Society, from that Society,

Guide to Valley Forge, from Arthur E. Pearson of Boston.

Hannibal Hamlin. An address by Gen. Selden Connor.

Railway Statistics of the United States, 1908, from Slason Thompson of Chicago.

American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal, from Rev. Stephen D. Peet.

Scrap Book made by John H. Sheppard, Esq., from Joseph Wood, Esq.

Deck and Field, Frank W. Hackett, from the author.

Tax Book of Falmouth 1774–5, and much about Portland churches, made by L. B. Chapman, Esq., and two numbers of Oxford County Citizen in Paris and Norway, also 14 pamphlets from Leonard B. Chapman, Esq.

Three volumes Lossing's Field Book of the Civil War, from James B. Totten, Esq.

Scrap Book, "Travels in New England," by John H. Sheppard, from Joseph Wood, Esq.

The exchanges have been:

Waterways and Canal Construction in New York State.

North Dakota Historical Collections, Volume 2.

Poem on Battle of Bunker Hill.

Harvey's Reminiscences of Daniel Webster.

Thompson's History of Vermont.

Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, July, 1909.

We have purchased:

Life of Gen. John Patterson, Eggleston, Second Edition.

History of Enfield, Conn., three volumes.

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not as large as the year before which was the best season we ever had. It was a good season. It happened to be a year when people were spending less money. We have now one of the greatest combinations of a historical nature in the world which is adding to our fame. Mrs. Pierce was wiser than she knew and did more for the fame of her family than she ever realized. Few families are as fortunate. Members are cordially invited to inspect the house and library.

What we now need is a fund, the income of which would enable the librarian to purchase the desirable books as they are offered. We should now purchase only original sources. Until we have more income it is not necessary to have all books on a subject. Our library has increased to the extent that we should have another assistant to properly do the work. Gifts are coming from appreciative people. A library properly kept brings them. Our library is a necessity, for the public libraries do not and cannot fill our place with students of our state and town history. We are specialists and our attendants must know what the books contain.

We have under way the preparation of a memorial alcove to Hon. Thomas Brackett Reed, to which Mrs. Reed has already contributed seventy-three volumes which have not been accounted for among our accessions. We are to have more, together with what we have collected and what will follow will make a collection that will be appreciated by those who will follow us.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

OCTOBER 30, 1909.

Memorial meeting in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of the Right Reverend George Burgess, the first bishop of Maine.

A meeting of the society was held in the Parish House of Christ church, at Gardiner, Maine, Saturday, October 30, 1909. It was called to order at 1.30 P. M., by Asbury C. Stilphen, Esquire, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements appointed at the last annual meeting of the Maine Historical Society. The other members of the committee, were Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., and Hon. James M. Larrabee.

Mr. Stilphen stated the object of the meeting and called upon the Rev. Robert W. Plant, as representative of Christ church, who welcomed the members of the society and their friends. Bishop Burgess was rector of Christ church during his life in Maine.

Rev. Dr. Henry S. Burrage, a Fellow of Brown University, spoke as representative of the University, from which Bishop Burgess graduated as valedictorian in 1826, giving an account of his connection with the University and referring to his poem at the centennial of the University in 1864, and his war ballad, "The Old Blue Coat." Mr. Stilphen, for the Historical Society, read a biographical sketch of the bishop, with personal reminiscences of his early life in Gardiner.

General Joseph S. Smith of Bangor, son of one of the founders of Grace church, Bath, under Bishop Burgess, was present and offered some interesting reminiscences of the bishop as his friend and at his home.

Rev. Mr. Plant read tributes from Right Rev. Frederick Burgess, bishop of Long Island, and nephew of Bishop Burgess of Maine; Rt. Rev. W. W. Niles of New Hampshire, formerly of Maine; and Rev. Asa Dalton, D.D., rector emeritus of St. Stephen's church, Portland, formerly rector of St. John's church, Bangor, under Bishop Burgess.

An unpublished poem by Bishop Burgess was presented by Mr. Stilphen and was most fittingly read by Rev. Thomas Burgess of Saco, a nephew of Bishop Burgess.

The meeting was well attended by early friends and parishioners of the beloved bishop and the exercises were highly appreciated.

Tuesday, November 16, 1909.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Tuesday, November 16, 1909, and was called to order at 7.30 P. M. by the president, Mr. Baxter, who introduced Charles William Burrows, Esq., of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Burrows favored the members and their friends with an interesting address on "The First Flying of the Stars and Stripes and Burgoyne's Campaign."

Mr. Burrows' paper was illustrated by his private collection of lantern slides thrown on a screen from a stereopticon, and added much to the entertainment and instruction of the Burrows' address.

Adjourned.

Wednesday, December 1, 1909.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1909, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., Prof. Henry L. Chapman in the chair.

Mr. Nathan Goold made a report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Professor Chapman read a memorial of the late John Witham Penney of Mechanic Falls, contributed by Mr. Charles E. Waterman of that place.

The Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., of Togus, read a paper on Pemaquid, as to whether its settlement antedated Plymouth, and whether the Pilgrims at Plymouth were saved from starvation in 1622 by food supplies from Pemaquid.

Adjourned.

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Twelve unbound volumes of the Medford Historical Register, and The Voyages of Amasa Delano, from George S. Delano, Esq.

The Preceptor, 1758, from Mrs. A. S. Peters.

Portland Directory of 1909, from Fred L. Tower, Esq.

Memorial of Sidney Warren Thaxter, from Mrs. Thaxter.

Facsimile of Pere Marquette's Illinois Prayer Book, from the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec.

Proceedings of the Royal Society of Canada, 1908, from that society.

The Poetical Writings of Rev. Freeman S. Perry, from Mrs. Perry.

Cyrus Hall McCormick Memorial, from Herbert M. Casson, Esq.

Minutes of the Commission for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies in the State of New York, 1778–1781, from Victor H. Paltsits, Historian of New York State.

Records of First Congregational church of Brownfield, Maine, typewritten, from Fred L. Eastman, Esq., of Wollaston, Mass.

Vital Records of Farmingdale, Me., from the State Library.

Inventory of the Estate of George Washington, from the original document owned by the giver, W. R. Bixby of St. Louis, Mo., privately printed.

The Society is much indebted to Charles Thornton Libby, Esq., for contributions of books and pamphlets, and for his great interest and efforts in securing the Proprietor's Records and the first book of Town Records, together with original plans, deeds, etc., of the town of Scarboro.

L. B. Chapman, Esq., has contributed to our library twenty books and pamphlets of historical value.

To Mrs. Susan Prentice Reed we are indebted for a contribution of sixty-six bound volumes and atlases, once the property of her husband, Hon. Thomas Brackett Reed, which have been placed by themselves, with a special book-plate, as our memorial and appreciation of a former member.

We have had several loans of valuable relics and papers, subject to the order of the owners. While here they are as our own and we make them fill the space of their usefulness. Persons having such can do no better than to deposit them here for safe keeping and where all can see them.

Since June 15, 1909, the Maine Commandery of the Loyal Legion have added to their library eleven bound volumes and twelve pamphlets.

We have exchanged our publications for the following:

Pennsylvania Magazine of History.
New England Historic Genealogical Register.
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Iowa Journal of History and Politics.
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American Historical Review Publications.
Eighteen numbers of Old Eliot.
Applications and Recommendations during the Presidency of George Washington.
Taverns and turnpikes of Blanford, Mass.
Early Records of Manchester, N. H.
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The Pierce Family History.

Our purchases have not been large, not because the librarian's wishes have been fulfilled, but because our resources are limited for the work that could be done. The purchases were as follows:

Dictionary of American Indian Places and Proper Names.
Life and Work of James G. Blaine.
Shipp's Literary World.
Reed's Parliamentary Rules.
Sketches of the Rise, Progress and Decline of Secession, W. G. Brownlow.
Kennebec Lake and Summer Resorts, Jackson.
On the Road, Cyrus H. Kilby.
Story of My Life, Mary A. Livermore.
Giants of the Republic, Edward Everett Hale.
Century Book of Facts.
Illustrated History of Hymns and their Authors.
American Commonwealth, Bryce.
Dotty Dimple Series, by Sophie May, five volumes.

Early Connecticut Marriages, No. 3.
History of Brimfield, Mass.
Journal of an American at Fort Madden and Quebec in the War of 1812.
Elijah Fisher's Journal, New Edition.
History of Fairfield, Conn.
Cornwall, England, Parish Registers of Marriage, fourteen bound volumes.
Spencer, Mass., Vital Records.
Description of the part of Devonshire, England, bordering on the Tamar and Tavey.
History of Exeter, England.
History of Kingsbridge and Salcomb in Devonshire, England.
Somerset County, Maine, Atlas.
Register of Webster, West Gardiner, Litchfield and Monmouth, Maine.
Register of Benton, Clinton and Fairfield, Me.
Register of Freeport and Yarmouth, Me.
History of Chatham, Mass.
History of Cohasset, Mass.
Map of Cohasset, Mass.
Cohasset Genealogies.
Richard Webber Family.
Volume 16, Vital Records of Rhode Island.
History of Lebanon, N. H.
History of Rehoboth, Mass.
History of Coventry-Benton, N. H.
History of Nottingham, Deerfield and Northwood, N. H.
Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths of Hanover, Mass.
Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths of Milton, Mass.
Doolittle's Narrative, 1750, and sketch of Hon. John Habershaw, of Georgia.

To the cabinet has been given:

Cane carried by Rev. Thomas Smith of the First Parish, Portland. From the family of Thomas L. Smith, of Windham, Me.

Cane from the then last surviving tree set out by General Washington at Mount Vernon. Gift of J. Mussey Tolford.

Four antique watches from John W. D. Carter, Esq.

A letter of President Franklin Pierce, from Horace Anderson, Esq.

Original manuscript (on linen) of the poem "The Pearl Diver," read at the dedication of the statue, in 1889, by Mrs. Elizabeth Akers, from Philip Willis McIntyre, Esq.

Oil painting of Col. Ezekiel Cushing's house at Cushing's Point (now South Portland, Me.), from the artist, Mrs. L. H. Turner.

Three Commissions and an Exequatur, also The Surf Skiff or The Heroine of the Kennebec, by Rev. Joseph H. Ingraham, 1867. From George T. Ingraham, Jr.

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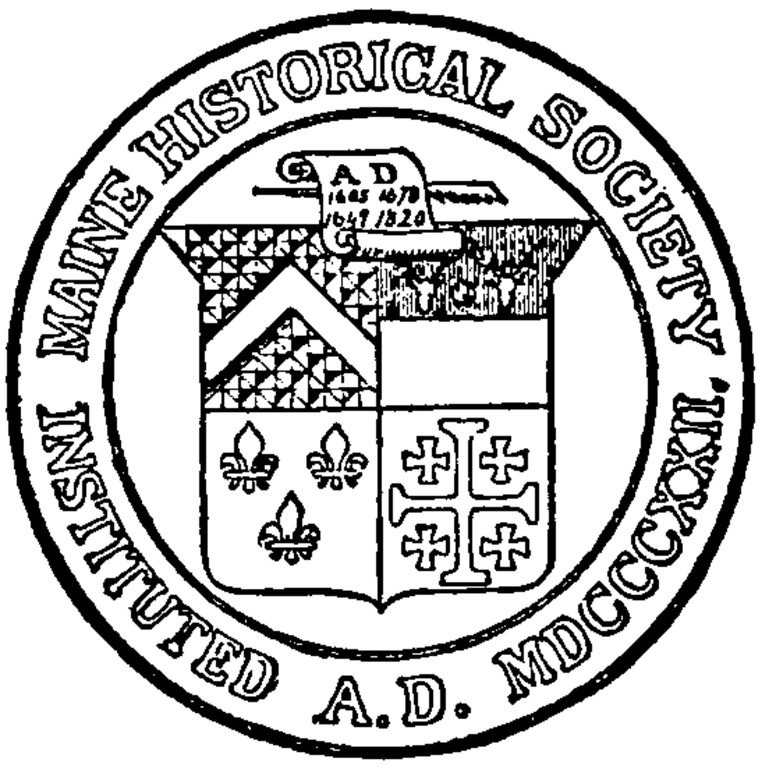

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Mr. Nathan Goold, the librarian, read his quarterly report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

MARCH 16, 1910.

Since my last report, December 1, 1909, the library has had some notable additions with others in prospect. Since that time our Society has published, by the aid of the State, volumes 13 and 14 of the Documentary History of Maine, The Baxter Manuscripts. These volumes bring us to the time of the Revolutionary War and are a great addition to our published sources of history. It is intended to print these manuscripts to 1820, when Maine severed her connection with Massachusetts.

The Vital Records of Randolph, Me., will be issued in a few days. This is the second publication issued by Henry S. Webster, Esq., of Gardiner, under the supervision of this Society, the printing and binding being paid for, by the State. Other volumes are in preparation by the same gentleman and others.

Since November 27, 1909, we have added to the library 236 bound volumes and 277 pamphlets, a total of 513 titles. Of these 386 were gifts, 26 by exchange, and 101 were purchased.

The principal gifts have been:

Androscoggin County Atlas, from the estate of John W. Penney; we have also been given his manuscript books and papers relating to Cemeteries and the graves of the soldiers of the Revolutionary War.

Volume 8 and Nos. 1 and 2 of Volume 9 of Old Eliot, from Dr. J. L. M. Willis.

Poems and Addresses of the Rhode Island Citizens' Historical Association. 1908, and Independence Day Addresses and Poems, 1909, from Thomas Williams Bicknell, Esq.

Register for 1909, of the Massachusetts Society Sons of the Revolution, from that society.

The First Siege of Louisbourg, 1745, from Hon. Henry M. Baker.

175th Anniversary Services of the First Congregational Church, South Portland, from Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

Acts and Resolves of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, Volume 16, 1756–1760, from Hon. Wm. H. Olin, Secretary of State of Massachusetts.

Baker Genealogy, from Smith Baker, D. D.

Cambridge Historical Society Proceedings, 1909, from that society.

Glossagraphia or Dictionary Interpreting Hard Words, from Charles Thornton Libby, Esq.; also from him, The Sources of Standard English.

Sutliff Genealogy from Samuel M. Sutliff, Esq.

Fogg Genealogy, manuscript, from Dr. John S. H. Fogg.

Historic Hadley, Mass., from Miss M. B. Fairbanks.

List of Geographical Atlases in the Library of Congress, Volume 1, and List Index, Volume 2, from that library.

History of the American Flag, from the Quartermaster General of the Army.

Uniforms of the United States Army, 1898–1907, from J. B. Aleshire, Quartermaster General.

Sunset Songs and Other Verses, by Elizabeth Akers, also The Koran and eight pamphlets, from Nathan Goold.

Moffat Genealogy and the Barclay Genealogy, from P. Burnham Moffat, Esq.

Putnam Anniversary volume, from Prof. Frederick W. Putnam.

Twenty-nine Almanacs, from Frederick Dunham.

Six Almanacs, from Clarence H. Brown.

Alien Emigrants to England, from Henry Deering, Esq.

Submission of Maine to Massachusetts, from Dr. John L. M. Willis.

Isaac Allerton, First Assistant of the Plymouth Colony, from the author, E. B. Patten, Esq.

What the Dutch have done in the West, from Edward Bok of Philadelphia.

Houdlette Family, from Mrs. Elizabeth L. Houdlette.

Bertha and Lily, Elizabeth Oakes Smith, from H. W. Bryant, Esq.

Memoir of Charles Francis Donnelly, from Mrs. Donnelly.

Third General Catalogue of Colby College, from Prof. Edward W. Hall, librarian.

French Guide Book of Spain and Portugal, from Hon. D. H. Ingraham.

Proceedings at the Fiftieth Anniversary of his membership in the Massachusetts Historical Society, from Dr. Samuel A. Green.

Julius Cæsar Jennings, Esq., the principal compiler of the Genealogical History of Maine, four volumes, who used this library for about a year in his work, and died at Concord, N. H., August 9, 1909, requested before his death that his library should be given to the Maine Historical Society, as a tribute from him. His request has been complied with by his brother and his wife. We have received 83 bound volumes and 12 pamphlets, a total of 95, with his manuscripts. They are as follows:

Ninth Edition Encyclopedia Britannica, 25 volumes, leather bound; Lippincott's Gazetteer of the World; History of Omaha, Neb.; eight Atlases; History of Wayne, Me.; History of Kane County, Ill.; Redpath's History of the United States; O'Hart's Irish Pedigrees, 2 volumes; several volumes on the history of family names, and many miscellaneous volumes. The bequest includes the manuscript of an unfinished volume of a history of family names, and a large box of his manuscripts. This is a tribute from one who knew the workings of our library and appreciated it.

From Frank E. Allen, Esq., we have received bound volumes of Harper's Weekly from 1860 to 1873, 20 volumes; also 30 copies of Hull's Portland Directory of 1882.

Mrs. Samuel Clifford Belcher has contributed her late husband's miscellaneous collection of Almanacs.

By exchange we have received:

Volume 13, Collections of the Nova Scotia Historical Society. This contains a Life of Rev. John Wiswall, formerly the rector of St. Paul's church of Falmouth Neck, in 1775.

History of Block Island, R. I.
History of Bristol, R. I.
Canal Enlargement in New York State and Related Papers.
Special Laws of Maine, 1847–1852, Volume 6.
Volume 28, Lineage Book of the National Society, D. A. R.
Volume 12, Portland Transcript.
The Hudson and Fulton Celebration of 1909.

We have purchased:

Caper Sauce and Ginger Snaps, by Fanny Fern.
Volume 16, Cornwall Co., England, Parish Registers.
Sowams, R. I., history.
Lovewell's Expedition Accounts, Reprints of three narratives.
Artemas Ward's Complete Works.
Artemas Ward's In London and his Letters to Punch.
First Report Kansas Historical Society, also Volume 1 of their Collections.
Maine Liquor Law, Its Origin and History.
Biography of James G. Blaine, by Gail Hamilton.
The Native Ministers of New Hampshire, by Rev. N. F. Carter.
History of Hadley, Mass., Second Edition.
Thirty-three volumes of Yorkshire, England, Parish Registers.
Celia Thaxter's Letters.
Clark's Narrative of the Battle of Bunker Hill, 1775. Pulaski Vindicated from an Unsupported Charge, Paul Bentalon, 1822. Both reprints.
Volume 3, American Ancestry.
History of the Old Town of Derby, Conn.
Scenes in a Vestry at Augusta, Me., by D. C. Weston.
Firearms in American History.

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Joseph Williamson has given a large package of the papers of William D. Williamson.

William H. McDonald contributed a silhouette of William Pitt Fessenden, with his autograph thereon, at about seventeen years of age.

John W. D. Carter donated the engine-room clock taken from the steamer Bohemian wrecked at Broad Cove, Cape Elizabeth, in 1864.

Rev. John Collins has given the library a Confederate Mississippi state flag, captured from his brother, Capt. William Collins, of the Confederate army, concerned in the Calais Bank raid in 1864.

Since my last report, "Old Hallowell on the Kennebec" has been published by its author, Mrs. Emma Huntington Nason, of Augusta. It is a very creditable publication and it is a welcome addition to the town histories of our State.

The importance of a library of the character of that possessed by the Maine Historical Society is evident to those who have to do with it. Its completeness is acknowledged by those who use it, and its future depends on the support it receives from the people of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

MAY 18, 1910.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, May 18, 1910, at 2.30 P. M., the president in the chair, who introduced Mr. David Greene Haskins, Jr., of Cambridge, Mass. Mr. Haskins read a paper based upon a log book of a trading voyage on the Pacific coast early in 1800. Mr. Goold, the librarian, made a report of recent accessions to the library.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

MAY 18, 1910.

The librarian begs leave to make report of the events and additions to the library since his last report on March 16, 1910. There have been added to the library since the

last report 358 titles: 149 bound books and 209 pamphlets. 292 were by gift, 52 by purchase and 14 by exchange.

The principal gifts have been as follows:

Regimental Colors of the Revolution, Part II, from the author, Gherardi Davis, Esq.,

History of Oxford Lodge of Masons, of Norway, Me., from the author, Howard D. Smith, Esq.

Autobiography of Sir Walter Scott, Woman in American Society, and a lot of pamphlets from H. W. Bryant, Esq.

Register of the Society of the War of 1812, from Appleton Morgan, Esq.

Ten Annual Meeting Reports of the Contributors to the Maine Farmers' Almanac, from Miss Myra S. Drummond.

Dedication of the Longfellow Statue in Washington, D. C., 1909, from Miss Mary K. Longfellow.

Complete file of the Portland Herald, bound, from W. H. Hobbs, Esq.

Seven bound legal volumes from Messrs. Loring, Short & Harmon.

Capture of the Steamer Chesapeake, from Rev. John Collins.

Webber Family Records, Manuscript, from Rev. Henry O Thayer.

Gen. Joseph Frye and His Family, a scrap book, from L. B. Chapman, Esq.

Journal of the Yukons, from the Canadian Archivist.

Ten Years of the Kotzschmar Club, from the author, Latham True, Esq.

A Biographical Congressional Directory, 1774 to 1903, from Hon. Amos Allen.

Life and Correspondence of Rufus King, in six volumes, from Mrs. Eugene Schuyler.

Volume 1, Maine Normal, and Volumes 3 to 8 of the Journal of Education, bound, Portland High School Register, Catalogues 1863 to 1873, and Reports from 1868 to 1876, Proceedings of the Maine Pedagogical Society 1880, 1881 World's Catastrophe, One of the Family, Leo a poem of Three Cantos, and several pamphlets, all from Albro E. Chase, Esq.

Volume 17, York Deeds and a lot of State Documents, from Maine State Library.

From the town of Harrison, we have the Centennial History of Harrison, Maine.

Life and Patriotic Services of Jonathan Mix, from Prof. William Phipps Blake, of Arizona.

Directory of the Holy Scriptures, two scrap books and newspaper cuttings from Mrs. Walter Wells and son.

Metropolitan Parks Commission Reports for December, 1909, from George S. Delano, Esq.

Memorial of Charles C. G. Thornton, from Mrs. Thornton.

Twenty-five pamphlets, from W. D. Patterson, Esq.

First volume of Records of the Portland Fraternity, from John Carroll Perkins, D. D.

Bound Annual Reports of the Maine Press Association, from Charles E. Waterman, Esq.

Scrap Book, containing the Proceedings of the Erection of the Revolutionary Soldiers' Monument in Portland, from the Chairman of the Committee, Mrs. Isabelle S. Merrill.

The original manuscript of Eli B. Bean's History of Brownfield, Me., from Mrs. Anne Spring Lynch.

Chace Family Chronicle for April, 1910, from William E. Gould, Esq.
Dedication of Fort Meig's Monument, from Albert R. Stubbs, Esq.
History of the Tree Family, from Lambert Tree, Esq.
Tariff Act of 1909, from Hon. J. H. Gallinger.
Income Tax Amendments, from Charles Thornton Libby, Esq.
Twenty-three Maine Farmers' Almanacs, from Mrs. Helen I. N. Fogg.

The exchanges have been:

Proceedings of 1909, of the Wisconsin Historical Society.
April, 1910, Essex Historical Collections.
April, 1910, Pennsylvania Historical Magazine.
April, 1910, Iowa Journal of History and Politics.
April, 1910, New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
Collections for 1903 and 1904, of the New York Historical Society.
Proceedings of the Rhode Island Historical Society for 1902–3, 1903–4, 1904–5, 1905–6, 1906–7, and 1907–8.
March, 1910, Maryland Historical Magazine.
December, 1909, Oregon Historical Society Quarterly.
Special Laws of Maine, 1842–1846.

We have purchased the following:

Highways of Travel and Ethel's Life, both by Mrs. Margaret J. M. Sweat.
Portsmouth and Newcastle, N. H., Cemetery Inscriptions.
History of Epsom, N. H.
History of Temple, N. H.
The English Emersons.
Life of Commodore John Rodgers.
Memorial volume of Fanny Fern, by Parton.
Folly as it Flies, by Fanny Fern.
Sketch of Waldo County, Me.
Register of U. S. Civil, Military and Naval Officers in 1833.
History of Bristol, Conn.
History of the Milliken Family.
History of Lynnfield, Mass.
History of Bristol County, Mass.
History of Union, Conn.
My Life and Times, by Cyrus Hamlin.
The American Conflict, two volumes, by Horace Greeley.

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From Miss Annie F. H. Boyd we have received a piece of Scotch Broom from the earthworks at Yorktown, Va. The seed from which it was grown came over in the forage of Cornwallis' Army in 1781.

Lester H. Hart gave a license of 1796, and a bond of 1795.

Prof. Edward W. Hall donated a broadside, "The Recent Tragedy at Harry Cole's Saloon, Exchange St., Portland, April 7, 1849."

Franklin R. Barrett, Esq., gave a certificate of ten shares of the Cumberland and Oxford Canal, dated 1834.

The Society is indebted to William N. Prince, Esq., for loaning the large oil portrait of Prof. Parker Cleaveland, second librarian of the Society, 1823–1829.

The gold epaulets worn by Lieut. Comdr. Edward Ernest Preble, who was the navigating officer of the Kearsarge, when she fought the Alabama, have been presented by his sister, Mrs. Alice Preble Anderson.

We purchased a muster roll of Capt. John Binney's Company, Col. John P. Boyd's 4th U. S. Regt., stationed at Wiscasset, Kennebec and Damariscotta, Maine, dated Dec. 31, 1809.

Since my last report the town of Harrison has published a centennial history of that town, of 727 pages, over half of which is devoted to the history of the families of the town. It is a credit to the town and the compilers and is an important addition to the town histories of our State.

Our library was never better fitted for its work and never so attractive. It seems to be appreciated by our visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

JUNE 2, 1910.

A special meeting was called Wednesday, June 2, 1910, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M., Fritz H. Jordan, Esq., in the chair.

Mr. Robert Hale was introduced, who read a scholarly paper on "Church and State in Maine at Its Early Settlement." Mr. Hale's paper had received a prize from the American Historical Association. It was founded on documents of the Kennebec Land Proprietors in the archives of the Maine Historical Society. It was listened to with close attention and received a vote of thanks.

Adjourned.

ANNUAL MEETING.

June 21, 1910.

The annual meeting of the Society was held in the lecture room of Hubbard Hall, Brunswick, Tuesday, June 21, 1910, and was called to order at 2 P. M. The president, Hon. James P. Baxter, presided.

The members present were Messrs. Charles E. Allen, Hubbard W. Bryant, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Nathan Goold, Judge Clarence Hale, Mrs. Augusta M. Hunt, Fritz H. Jordan, Dr. Frederick H. Gerrish, Judge James M. Larrabee, Dr. Alfred Mitchell, William D. Patterson, Prof. K. C. M. Sills, A. R. Stubbs, Archie Lee Talbot, A. C. Stilphen, Joseph Wood.

On motion it was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last annual meeting as they had been printed and distributed.

Mr. Nathan Goold was appointed assistant secretary of the meeting and read his annual report as librarian and curator. Said report was accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

Mr. Fritz H. Jordan read his annual report as treasurer and it was accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary and biographer, Mr. William D. Patterson, was read by him and it was voted to accept the same to be placed on file. Mr. Patterson also made report of the doings of the Lincoln County Historical Society for the past year.

The recording secretary, Mr. H. W. Bryant, read his annual report of the work of the standing committee.

Mr. Henry S. Webster of Gardiner, on the part of the committee on vital records, made report of what had been

done in copying and publication of the vital records of towns. It was voted to accept the report and continue the same committee.

A nominating committee was appointed by the president consisting of Messrs. Hale, Talbot and Webster, who retired and shortly afterwards reported the following as a board of officers for the ensuing year:

President—James P. Baxter.
Vice President—Henry L. Chapman.
Treasurer—Fritz H. Jordan.
Corresponding Secretary and Biographer—William D. Patterson.
Librarian and Curator—Nathan Goold.
Recording Secretary—Hubbard W. Bryant.
Standing Committee—Henry S. Burrage, of Togus; Frederick Odell Conant, of Portland; Henry Deering, of Portland; George Addison Emery, of Saco; Prentice Cheney Manning, of Portland; Augustus Freedom Moulton, of Portland; Asbury Coke Stilphen, of Gardiner; Albert Roscoe Stubbs, of Portland; Franklin A. Wilson, of Bangor.

On motion and no objection being made, it was voted that the secretary cast the ballot presented, and the board of officers were declared elected for the ensuing year.

The following list of candidates having been distributed among the members a vote was called for, and being cast resulted in the choice of all as resident members:

Dr. Edville G. Abbott, Portland.
George S. Delano, Portland.
David Hunter Knowlton, Farmington.
Mrs. Katharine B. Lewis, Gorham.
Rev. William Farrand Livingston, Hallowell.
Mrs. Emma Huntington Nason, Augusta.
George Freeman Noyes, Portland.
Arthur Wellesley Perkins, Farmington.
Rev. Robert Wetmore Plant, Gardiner.
Mrs. Gertrude Wallace King Schuyler, Newcastle.
Dr. James Harrison Shannon, Saco.
Frederick Lincoln Tower, Portland.
Virgil C. Wilson, Portland.

The following were elected corresponding members: Prof. Allen Johnson of New Haven, David Greene Haskins, Jr., of Cambridge, Mass., Charles William Burrows of Cleveland, Ohio.

Adjourned.

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PAYMENTS.

Temporary loan of June 21, 1909,		$115.00
Union Safe Deposit & Trust Co., rent of safe and bond of treasurer,	$ 25.00	
Salaries of librarian, assistant and recording secretary,	$1,210.04	
Janitor,	320.00	
Fuel, lights and water,	221.61	
Repairs and maintenance,	5.92	
Printing,	138.40	
Sundry miscellaneous items,	186.78	
		2,107.75
Furniture,	$ 56.50	
Additions to library account Walker Fund,	582.20	
Account Vol. 13, Documentary Series,	1,255.25	
Account Vol. 14, Documentary Series,	1,236.42	
Account Vol. 15, Documentary Series,	250.00	
Binding,	125.56	
Account roadway to Governor King burial lot,	50.00	
		3,555.93
Cash on hand,		8.93
		$5,787.61

The invested funds of the Society consist of stocks and bonds of the par value of $16,500.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 21, 1910.

Mr. President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to make the following report of receipts and expenditures of the Wadsworth-Longfellow Fund for the past year, viz.:

RECEIPTS.

Admissions to Wadsworth-Longfellow House, 1909,	$2,148.50	
Profit on articles sold at house,	413.14	
Contributions of visitors at house,	18.40	
		$2,580.04

PAYMENTS.

Balance due treasurer, June 22, 1909,		$	3.93
Expenses of Wadsworth-Longfellow House:			
Salaries of superintendent, assistants and janitor,	$631.50		
Repairs and maintenance,	41.49		
Furnishing,	63.49		
Fuel, light, water and cleaning,	38.48		
Printing, signs and record books,	41.25		
Sundries,	18.28		
		834.49	
Expended on grounds,		101.74	
Interest on debt,		568.65	
Reduction of debt,		1,050.00	
Balance on hand,		21.23	
		$2,580.04	

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND BIOGRAPHER.

BRUNSWICK, June 21, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

Your corresponding secretary and biographer reports that of the twenty-six persons who were elected resident members at the last annual meeting, twenty-one have accepted membership, some have definitely declined and some have made no response.

The honorary member elected last year has accepted membership.

The record of deaths is as follows:

RESIDENT MEMBERS.

Edward Henry Daveis, born April 3, 1818, at Portland; admitted, 1881; died at Portland, December 12, 1909.

George Lewis, born at Bridgton, January 21, 1839; admitted, 1898; died at South Berwick, February 16, 1910.

Ira Stephen Locke, born at Biddeford, February 4, 1853; admitted, 1892; died at Portland, January 28, 1910.

John Witham Penney, born at Bangor, May 22, 1831; admitted, 1894; died at Mechanic Falls, November 1, 1909.

Stanley Thomas Pullen, born August 6, 1843; admitted, 1908; died at Portland, February 15, 1910.

Augustus Moses Pulsifer, born at Sullivan, June 15, 1834; admitted, 1893; died at Auburn, April 7, 1910.

Stephen Holmes Weeks, born at Cornish, October 6, 1835; admitted, 1901; died at Portland, September 1, 1909.

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same has been audited and approved. One hundred copies, at fifteen cents each, were furnished to the Society, and the same number was reserved by me for distribution and sale. I wish to express my obligations to the State officials for the interest they have shown in the work and for their disposition to facilitate it, and also to the Committee on Publication, Bro. A. C. Stilphen, for his assistance and for many valuable suggestions.

The material for the Vital Records of Pittston is collected, and the work could be issued the present year if there were funds available for the purpose. The town of Pittston was incorporated in 1779, and its records to 1892 therefore cover more than a century. The town records are remarkably full and well preserved. When supplemented by the gravestone records, church records and about seventy-five private records, they will make a volume of nearly 500 pages. The publication of such a work is obviously impossible under the present law, which limits to $500 the amount to be expended annually for that purpose. I would suggest that a committee of this Society be appointed to procure such amendments of the law as may seem desirable, and also to secure an appropriation which will permit the continuance of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY S. WEBSTER.

ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARIAN AND CABINET KEEPER.

JUNE 21, 1910.

Mr. President and Members of the Society:

I beg leave to make the following annual report. The library is in good usable condition and is as accessible as the finances of the Society will admit. Had we more funds to cover the expense, our manuscripts could be

better arranged, put into better condition and catalogued, so they could be more readily referred to by historical students. As it is, we have little trouble and our collection is carefully cared for, and every effort is made to accumulate more awaiting the time when we will be able to expend the money in their preparation for our shelves. Our library is better every year and, considering what we have to do with, it is a credit to the Society and we have good reasons to be proud of it. Our buildings are in good condition.

The Wadsworth-Longfellow House is all we could expect, and is not only a great credit to the Society but has been a financial success, and without it we could not pay our expenses, unless we had different resources from what we now have. The season of 1909, was one of our best and the old home was opened yesterday for the season of 1910, more attractive and in better condition than ever before. Its fame is assured.

We have added to the library during the past year, 1,759 titles, of which 785 were bound books and 974 pamphlets, with numerous additions to our cabinet; 1,399 titles were gifts, 99 by exchange and we purchased 263. Since the report of May 18, 1910, our principal gifts have been as follows:

Cornish, England, and Devonshire, England, Characters and Strange Events, by S. Baring Gould, two volumes, from Charles Thornton Libby, Esq.

Three Scrap Books and Cuttings, Phenomena of Modern Spiritualism, by Rev. W. B. Hayden, The Pillar of Fire, etc., Rev. J. A. Ingraham, and Memoir of Rev. Bernard Whitman by Jason Whitman, all from H. W. Bryant, Esq.

Volume 2, History of Newburyport, Mass., Currier, from Mrs. E. Russell Barbour.

The American Monthly Magazine, from Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R.

Dedication of the Statue of Gen. Anthony Wayne at Valley Forge, from the Pennsylvania State Library.

Justice to the Jews, from Marks Arnheim.

One hundred and thirty-five valuable bound volumes of history, biography, politics and reports, together with an open bookcase, all the property of Hon. Thomas B. Reed, from Mrs. Reed.

Hail Columbia and its First Publication, from Charles Henry Hart, Esq.

Journal of Larocque, from the Canadian Archivist.

Proceedings of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association, 1908–1909, from the Association.

Dr. Thomas Fillebrown, His Life and Professional Work, from Dr. H. A. Kelley.

Records of Living Officers of the United States Navy, Hammersly, and History of Steam Navigation, Preble, from William H. Dow, Esq.

We have exchanged for:

Archives of Maryland, Proceedings and Acts of the Assembly, 1715–1716.

Maryland Historical Magazine for June, 1910.

Volume 7, Publications of the Montana Historical Society.

We purchased:

Ephraim Douglass and His Times, and Journal of George McCully.

History of Mount Vernon, N. H.

Register of Chelsea, Pittston and Randolph, Maine.

History of the Cooper Shop Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, Philadelphia, 1861–1865.

Magazine of History for April, 1910.

Scotch-Irish Pioneers in Ulster and America, C. K. Bolton.

Vital Records of Haverhill, Mass., two volumes.

American Catholic Historical Researches for May, 1910.

Cruise of the Mystery and Other Poems by Celia Thaxter.

The Dialect of West Somerset, England, and Reprinted Glossaries, 1873 and 1874, English.

To the cabinet we have added:

Two depositions of Anna Riggs of Windham, in 1810, the gift of James C. Fox, Esq.

Charles H. True, Esq., has contributed three commissions of Jabez True of Bangor, of 1818, 1819 and 1823, together with an autograph letter, also one of Israel Foster.

It has been the endeavor of your librarian to conduct the library along practical lines and its success is good evidence of the wisdom of that policy.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

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LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

DECEMBER 14, 1910.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The last report of your librarian was made at Brunswick, June 21, 1910 Since that time our library has increased its usefulness as much as could be reasonably expected with the funds at our command. For Maine history we have the most complete collection of books and manuscripts that probably exists, and it is being constantly improved. When we become forehanded we hope our wants will be satisfied. We shall soon issue Volumes 15 and 16, Documentary Series, of our publications. They relate to the time of the Revolution and are best known as "The Baxter Manuscripts." With these the Society has published thirty-nine uniform volumes of about 500 pages each.

Since the June report we have added to the library 156 bound volumes, 361 pamphlets, and many valuable manuscripts and interesting relics of our history.

By gifts, we have received 79 bound volumes and 191 pamphlets; by exchange, 30 bound volumes and 43 pamphlets, and we have purchased 47 bound volumes and 113 pamphlets, We have purchased the Mayberry manuscripts, so called, receiving most of the collection, which will add value to what we already have.

The principal gifts have been:

John Darby of Marblehead, Mass., and His Descendants, from Samuel C. Darby, Esq.

Early Days of Church and State, from the author, Robert Hale.

St. Helena and Other Poems, by E. C. Farnsworth, from the author.

The English Historical Library, 3 Parts, London, 1714, from Charles T. Libby, Esq.

Volume 20, Early Records of the Town of Providence, from the Commissioners' Biography of Angeline Hall, from Angelo Hall.

In Memoriam of Sister Amelia G. Mace, from the United Society of Shakers.

Descendants of Nathaniel Durrell of Kingfield, Maine, also The Reunions of the Durrell Family, from Harold Clarke Durrell, Esq.

The True Roger Williams and other volumes, of which he was the author, from Rev. Dr. Henry M. King, of Providence, R. I.

Minutes of the Commission for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies in New York State, from the New York State Library.

Bound Volumes 51 to 62 of the Portland Transcript, from Frank L. R. Gould, Esq.

Officers and Students of the North Yarmouth Academy, from Hon. George E. Bird.

Portland Directory of 1910, from Fred L. Tower, Esq.

Volumes 2 and 3, Third Series, of the Proceedings of the Royal Society of Canada, from that Society.

History of Kensal, South Dakota, and Kensal Directory of 1910, from William Snape, Esq.

The Woods Family of Groton, Mass., from the author, Henry Ernest Woods, Esq.

One Hundred Years in a Week, St. Louis, also Laclede the Founder of St. Louis, from the Missouri Historical Society.

American Historical Review, from the editor, Prof. J. Franklin Jameson.

American Monthly Magazine, from the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R.

Chase Chronicle, from Wm. E. Gould, Esq.

Life and Works of Henry W. Longfellow, from Miss Margaret Jordan.

Maine at Louisburg in 1745, from the Maine State Library, also several documents.

The History and Government of the United States, 6 volumes, from George Rackliff of New York city.

Archives of the State of Maine, from the author, Prof. Allan Johnson.

The Founders' Week Memorial volume, from the Philadelphia Committee.

The Canadian Year Book of 1909, from the Canadian Department of Agriculture.

Volumes 16, 17 and 18 of the Journals of the Continental Congresses, from the Library of Congress.

The Railway Library, 1909, from the author, Slason Thompson, Esq.

Auditors' 51st Report of Portland, Me., from the City Auditor.

Apollo's Guest, from Isaac Bassett Choate, Esq., the author.

Two volumes and 8 pamphlets, from the author, Hon. James P. Baxter.

History of Waldoborough, Me., from the author, Samuel L. Miller, Esq.

Volume 9 of the Publications of the North Carolina Historical Society, from that society.

A large Bible, formerly the property of Thomas Smith of Windham, from Mrs. Eliza W. Smith Hathaway.

Several copies of Old Eliot, from Dr. J. L. M. Willis.

The New Hampshire Brigade in the Sullivan Campaign of 1778, from the N. H. Historical Society.

Four Congregational Year Books, 1907–1910, from Rev. Henry O. Thayer.

Year Book for 1909–1910, from the Society of the Sons of the Revolution of New York.

Fobes Memorial Library of Oakham, Mass., from Henry P. Wright, Esq.

Narraguagus Valley, Reprint, and 2 pamphlets, from A. J. Huston, Esq.

Volumes 1, 2, and 3, Publications of the Jewish Historical Society, from that society.

Mrs. Mary Stone Burnham, of Cape Elizabeth, has generously presented a set of the National Cyclopedia of American Biography, in 15 volumes, bound in half Turkey Morocco. A valuable and appreciated contribution.

Catalogue of manuscripts and other objects in the Museum of the Public Record Office in London, from Fritz H. Jordan, Esq.

We have purchased the following volumes:

How to Decipher and Study Old Documents.

References to English Surnames, 1601.

Register of the Commissioned and Warrant Officers of the U. S. Navy in 1842.

Histories of Hatfield, Mass., Coos County, Henniker and Antrim, N. H.

The Old China Book, Moore.

China Collecting in America, Earle.

Stage Coach and Tavern Days, Earle.

Gen. George Weedon's Order Book, at Valley Forge.

One hundred and two reports of the British Historical Manuscript Commission.

Dorval, a novel, by Madame Wood, the first novelist of Maine.

Pickle for Knowing Ones, by Lord Timothy Dexter.

Colonial Currency Reprints, Prince Society.

The Vital Records of Andover, 2 volumes, Wrentham, Sharon, Natick, Ipswich, 2 volumes, Newburyport, Newbury, 2 volumes, Chester, Pembroke Foxborough, Hanson, Leominster and West Boylston, Mass.

Album of the Attorneys of Maine.

Volume 18, Cornwall Parish Register.

One Thousand Years of Hubbard History.

Albums of the Executive and Legislative Departments of Maine, 1901 and 1903.

Divine Comedy, 3 volumes, by Henry W. Longfellow.

Reminiscences of Neal Dow. An autobiography.

The Shenandoah or the Last Confederate Cruiser.

Lives of Distinguished Shoemakers.

Some of the Descendants of John Moulton of Hampton and of Joseph Moulton of Portsmouth.

Life of Gen. James Irish of Gorham, Me.

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The Maine Loyal Legion has added to their library of the war for the Union, during the same time, 9 bound volumes and 12 pamphlets, for which they should receive the thanks of this society. This section of our library will be appreciated by our successors.

To the cabinet have been given the following articles:

Photograph of Hon. Leonard Swett of Chicago, and a large collection of Robinson's Maine Farmers' Almanacs, from Miss Myra L. Drummond of Portland.

Perambulation of the line between Gorham and Westbrook, Me., from Judge Fabius M. Ray.

Deposition of Sarah Morgarridge in 1733, from Rev. Henry O. Thayer of New York.

Goblet made at the Portland Glass Works, and comb made at Woodford's Corner, from Mr. George M. Talford.

Sewing Book, made by Hon. John A. Andrew, while a schoolboy at Windham, Me., from Miss Viola A. Smith of Portland.

Manuscript of William P. Libby of Brooklyn, N. Y., of the traditions of his family and the settlement of Frenchman's Bay, Maine, from Charles T. Libby, Esq.

Cradle that belonged to Rev. Elijah Kellogg, senior, and two pieces of the Atlantic Cable, from the Estate of Mrs. Sophia B. Bedlow.

List of Borrowers of Edward Little's Circulating Library of Portland, 1815-1816, from Prof. George T. Little.

Portraits of Thomas Brackett Reed and his wife, the parents of Hon. Thomas B. Reed, from Hon. James P. Baxter.

Rev. George M. Bodge of West Roxbury, Mass., has donated the original church record books of Rev. John Wight and Rev. Peter Thacher Smith of Windham, Me., also Charles Stevens' plan of the town.

Mrs. Ella Sawyer Emery of Dorchester, Mass., has given maps and Portland papers.

A pair of army shoes, worn at the battle of Bull Run, by William E. Shaw of Portland, from Miss Susan C. Shaw of this city.

Mr. Nathan D. Colcord has contributed a loom shuttle and four weaving spools.

A framed painting of the Privateer Polly has been presented by Alexander W. Longfellow, Esq., of Boston.

A framed painting of the Brig Octavia of Portland in the Bay of Naples, in 1824, has been donated by Fritz H. Jordan, Esq., and he has also given a lot of manuscripts relating to the Old Congregational Parish at Cape Elizabeth.

Frederic H. and Lucy H. Jordan of South Portland, have donated a manuscript list of marriages of the Second Parish of Cape Elizabeth from 1769 to

1780, also a certificate of the laying out of sixty acres of land for the ministry in 1738.

We have received from Mrs. Ellen S. Roche of Bath, Me., about one hundred letters written to Gen. William King during the War of 1812.

A. W. Hanson, Esq., of Buxton, Me., has deposited three books of records of the Buxton Centre Baptist Church, also a box of manuscripts.

From Geo. C. Owen, Esq., we have received a certificate of army service given by the State of Maine.

Philip F. Turner, Esq., has presented the Society a box of manuscripts, mostly relating to Cape Elizabeth families.

Dr. Geo. B. Stevens of Roxbury, Mass., has given the commission of Hon. John Holmes as Commissioner in the North Eastern Boundary Matter, letters signed by James Monroe, James Madison and John Quincy Adams, and the original signed award of the commission.

Arthur K. Hunt, Esq., of Boston, has donated, to the marine collection, an oil painting of the bark Geo. S. Hunt.

The Old Longfellow House was opened to the public Monday, June 19, 1910, for its tenth season and closed October 1st, having a most successful year. Only one year have the admissions been larger; 8,679 visited the house in fifteen weeks. During June and July, the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R., and the Daughters of 1812 furnished guides, as has been done from the beginning in 1901. The fidelity of the ladies to this undertaking is a matter of comment and they have more than met the expectations of our Society, and are entitled to our gratitude.

After August first the guides received compensation. This brings the management to a business basis which has been evident that it must come to. It seems wise to conduct the house as a shrine to which it is a privilege to be allowed to visit and should not be made too common. It should be carefully cared for, that it may be kept as long as possible. It is a choice possession of Portland and should always be so regarded. This Society should make the most of it, as has been done for the past ten years. Nearly 73,000 persons have visited the house since it was first opened to the public and its fame is world wide.

We cannot but reflect what has been done with our library within five years. It shows for itself what has been accomplished. Our expenses are but about one-tenth of those of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and of that our members' annual dues pay but about one-third and the two-thirds, or balance, is obtained by the management by the opening of the Longfellow House to the public. We need a fund to keep up our work.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*