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# MAINE SOCIETY OF THE SONS

OF THE

# AMERICAN REVOLUTION

ORGANIZED MARCH 28 1891

WITH

# THE CONSTITUTION AND ROLL OF MEMBERSHIP

AND IN ADDITION

THE CONSTITUTION AND OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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# MAINE SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

A preliminary meeting with reference to the organization of a Maine Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was held in the Library Room of the Maine Historical Society in Portland, February 21, 1891. Hon. Warren H. Vinton of Gray was elected temporary Chairman, and Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Portland, Secretary. After a consideration of the objects and work of the proposed Society, the following committees were appointed:

To examine and report upon applications for membership: Major Charles H. Boyd of Portland; Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Portland; Hon. Josiah H. Drummond of Portland, and Mr. Eben Corey of Portland.

To draft a Constitution and By-Laws: Hon. Geo. F. Talbot of Portland, Hon. Warren H. Vinton of Gray, and Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., of Portland.

To nominate officers: Mr. James P. Baxter of Portland, Major Charles H. Boyd of Portland, and Hon. Marquis F. King of Portland.

At a meeting held in the Library Room of the Maine Historical Society, February 28, the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws reported a draft of the same, which was laid upon the table for future action. At a meeting held

March 14, the proposed Constitution and By-Laws were taken from the table, and, after discussion and amendment, were adopted as follows:

# MAINE SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

### CONSTITUTION.

### ARTICLE I.

### NAME.

Section 1.—The name of this Society shall be the Maine Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

### ARTICLE II.

### NATIONAL SOCIETY.

SEC. 2.—This Society is a part of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. It recognizes all State Societies of Sons of the American Revolution as co-equal and entitled to receive from this Society such assistance and information as may best promote the objects for which these Societies have been organized.

### ARTICLE III.

### OBJECTS.

SEC. 3.—The objects of this Society are to perpetuate the memory and the spirit of the men who achieved American Independence; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to provide for the preservation of documents, relics and records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; to promote the celebration of patriotic anniversaries; and by these and other means to impress upon the present and future generations the patriotic spirit which actuated our ancestors and established the Republic of the United States of America.

### ARTICLE IV.

### MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 4.—Any man resident in Maine and not less than twenty-one years of age, who is descended from an ancestor who was either a military or a naval officer, soldier, sailor or official in the service of the original thirteen Colonies or States, who assisted in establishing American Independence in the War of the Revolution, shall be eligible for membership in this Society; and any man, wherever resident, who is descended from a Maine Revolutionary ancestor who performed like service, shall also be eligible.

SEC. 5.—For the purpose of making more perfect the records of our Revolutionary ancestors and their descendants, any woman of Revolutionary ancestry

may file a record of her ancestor's services and of her line of descent with the Registrar of this Society, who shall send a duplicate to the Registrar-General.

SEC. 6.—All applications for membership in this Society shall be made in duplicate, upon blank forms furnished by the Society. They shall be signed with the full name and address of the applicant, and shall also be signed by at least one member of the Society nominating and recommending the applicant.

### ARTICLE V.

### OFFICERS.

SEC. 7.—The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents not exceeding sixteen, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Registrar, a Librarian, a Historian, a Chaplain, and five Councilors, all of whom shall be citizens of this State; and these shall be a Board of Managers whose duty it shall be to conduct the affairs of the Society. Five of this board shall constitute a quorum for doing business. The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancy occurring among the officers of the Society or delegates to the National Society; and officers so appointed shall serve till the next annual meeting.

### ARTICLE VI.

### TERMS OF OFFICE.

SEC. 8.—All officers shall be elected for one year, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

### ARTICLE VII.

### MEETINGS.

SEC. 9.—A meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of business shall be held annually in the City of Portland, on the 22d day of February, or if said day falls on Sunday then on the following day. At each annual meeting, there shall be elected one delegate at large and one delegate for each one hundred or fraction of one hundred exceeding fifty members; said delegates, together with such officers as are provided for by the Constitution of that body, shall represent this Society in all meetings of the National Society.

SEC. 10. - Seven shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Society.

SEC. 11.—The hour for holding the annual meeting, and the time and place for holding any special meeting, shall be designated by the Board of Managers.

SEC. 12.—Special meetings of the Society shall be called by the President, when directed so to do by the Board of Managers, or whenever requested in writing by fifteen or more members, on giving fifteen days' notice, specifying the time and place of such meeting and the business to be transacted.

SEC. 13.—Special meetings of the Board of Managers may be called by the President at any time, and shall be called upon the request of five members of the Board made in writing.

SEC. 14.—General business may be transacted at any special meeting of the Board of Managers, or of the Society.

### ARTICLE VIII.

### AMENDMENTS.

SEC. 15.—This Constitution may be amended or repealed, provided written resolutions to that effect are first presented to and approved by a majority of the

Board of Managers, present at any meeting of said Board; provided said amendments are subsequently approved by a majority of the members present at any meeting of the Society; and provided, further, that whenever this Constitution is to be amended, repealed, or in any way changed, notice thereof, specifying said changes in full, shall be sent to each member of the Society at least ten days before such action is to be taken.

# BY-LAWS.

### FEES AND DUES.

SECTION I.—Applicants elected shall become members of this Society upon payment of the membership fees and dues for one year. The membership fee shall be two dollars, and the annual dues one dollar. Annual dues shall be payable to the Secretary on the 22d day of February in each year. A member who shall remain in arrears for dues for three months after notice of his indebtedness has been mailed to him, directed to his last known residence, may be dropped from the rolls by the Board of Managers, and may be re-instated in his membership by said Board upon the payment of his indebtedness to the Society. The payment of fifteen dollars by an active member at any one time, shall constitute the person paying such sum a life member, and such person shall thereafter be exempt from payment of annual dues. Members may be elected by the Society or by the Board of Managers.

### MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

SEC. 2.—The regular meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held on the day of the annual meeting of the Society, and on the third Tuesday of September in each year.

### PRESIDING OFFICER.

SEC. 3.—The President, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents, or in their absence a chairman pro tem., shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Managers. The presiding officer shall preserve order and shall decide all questions of order, subject to appeal to the meeting.

### DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

SEC. 4.—The Secretary shall receive all money from the members, and shall pay it over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same. He shall conduct the general correspondence of the Society; shall notify members of their election and of such other matters as the Society may direct. He shall have charge of the seal and such records of the Society as are not herein given especially in charge of other officers of the Society, and together with the presiding officer he shall certify all acts and orders of the Society. He shall, under the direction of the President or acting President, give notice of the time and place of all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Managers, and shall give such notices of the votes, orders and proceedings of the Society, as the Society or Board of Managers may direct.

### DUTIES OF THE TREASURER.

SEC. 5.—The Treasurer shall have charge of the permanent funds of the Society, and he shall receive all the money from the Secretary, and give his receipt

for the same, which money he shall deposit in the name of the Society and shall pay out for the benefit of the Society only, in such sums as the Society or Board of Managers may direct, and upon the order of the Secretary, countersigned by the President. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and disbursements, and at each annual meeting shall make a full report to the Society. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be open to the inspection of the President and Board of Managers at all times.

### DUTIES OF THE REGISTRAR.

SEC. 6.—The Registrar shall receive all applications and proofs of membership. He shall examine the same, and report his opinion thereon to the Board of Managers. Imperfect and incorrect applications may be returned to the applicant by the Registrar for correction or completion. After applications have been passed upon by the Board of Managers, he shall, if the applicant is accepted, forward one copy to the Registrar-General of the National Society.

### DUTIES OF THE LIBRARIAN.

SEC. 7.—The Librarian shall have the custody of all historical, geographical and genealogical books, papers, manuscripts, and relics of which the Society may become possessed.

### BOARD OF MANAGERS.

SEC. 8.—The Board of Managers shall judge of the qualifications of applicants for membership, and shall have control of the affairs of the Society. They shall appoint an Auditing Committee. The Board of Managers shall have power to suspend or expel any member of the Society for sufficient cause by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Board present at any regular meeting, provided that at least two weeks' notice of such proposed action shall have been given to such member by notice mailed to him at his last known address. A member so suspended or expelled shall have the right to appeal to a meeting of the Society from the action of the Board of Managers.

### DUTIES OF THE HISTORIAN.

SEC. 9.—The Historian shall keep a record of all facts in connection with the Society, which he may judge to be of historic value, and shall make a report in writing at each annual meeting.

### DUTIES OF THE CHAPLAIN.

SEC. 10.—The Chaplain shall perform such devotional and religious duties as may be called for by the President in the course of business or exercises of the Society.

### AMENDMENTS.

SEC. II. —These By-Laws shall not be altered, amended or repealed, unless said alteration or amendment shall have been proposed in writing at a previous meeting of the Board of Managers, and entered upon the records, with the name of the member proposing the change, and also adopted by a majority of the members present at a regular meeting of the Society, or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

On the 28th of March the Society re-assembled for the election of officers, and the following, in accordance with the Constitution, were duly chosen to serve until February 22, 1892:

### VICE-PRESIDENTS.

EDWARD P. BURNHAM, Saco. GEORGE F. TALBOT, Portland. JOHN E. DEWITT, Portland. EDWARD A. BUTLER, Rockland. JOHN C. TALBOT, East Machias.

SECRETARY.

WILLIAM M. SARGENT, Portland.

TREASURER.

EBEN COREY, Portland.

REGISTRAR.

HENRY S. BURRAGE, Portland.

LIBRARIAN.

HUBBARD W. BRYANT, Portland.

HISTORIAN.

WILLIAM B. LAPHAM, Augusta.

CHAPLAIN.

FRANCIS B. DENIO, Bangor.

COUNCILORS.

JOSIAH H. DUMMOND, Portland. WARREN H. VINTON, Gray.

The Board of Managers was instructed to fill any vacancies and the meeting then adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers held at the Library Room of the Maine Historical Society, Portland, April 9, 1891, the death of the Secretary of the Society, Mr. William M. Sargent, was announced. In obedience to instructions from the Society, the vacancies existing in the roll of officers were

filled by the Board of Managers, the completed list being as follows:

### PRESIDENT.

JOHN E. DEWITT, Portland.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

EDWARD P. BURNHAM, Saco.

GEORGE F. TALBOT, Portland.

EDWARD A. BUTLER, Rockland.

JOHN C. TALBOT, East Machias.

### SECRETARY.

HENRY S. BURRAGE, Portland.

TREASURER.

EBEN COREY, Portland.

REGISTRAR.

Josiah H. Drummond, Portland.

LIBRARIAN.

HUBBARD W. BRYANT, Portland.

HISTORIAN.

WILLIAM B. LAPHAM, Augusta.

CHAPLAIN.

FRANCIS B. DENIO, Bangor.

COUNCILORS.

WARREN H. VINTON, Gray.

MARQUIS F. KING, Portland.

WILLIAM A. GOODWIN, Portland.

BROWN THURSTON, Portland.

April 11th the Society again met in the Library Room of the Maine Historical Society, and Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D. D., was elected a delegate-at-large to the Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to be held in Hartford, Conn., April 30, 1891. The Secretary was directed to take proper steps to bring the Society into relations with the National Society. This was done, and cer-

tificates of membership were subsequently issued by the Registrar-General to the persons whose names and records had received the approval of the committee appointed February 21, to examine applications for membership.

### ROLL OF MEMBERS.

State No. National No. 1.—HENRY SWEETSER BURRAGE, Portland, Maine, Elected, 1891. 6,301 Great grandson of William Burrage, private in Capt. Nathaniel Carter's Company, Col. Abijah Stearns' Regiment, Massachusetts Millitia. Great grandson of William Upton, Sergeant in Capt. John Dix's company, Gen. Lovell's brigade in the Rhode Island Expedition, July, August and September, 1778. Great grandson of John Thurston, private in Col. John Whitcomb's Regiment of minute men, who marched from Fitchburg, Mass., to Cambridge on the alarm, April 19, 1775. 2.—CHARLES HARROD BOYD, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891. 6,302 Great great grandson of Gen. Elias Dayton, a member of the "Committee of Safety," Colonel Third New Jersey Regiment, and subsequently Commander of the Jersey Bri-3.—EBEN COREY, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891..... 6,303 Grandson of Ebenezer Corey, private in Capt. Moses Whiting's Company, in Col. John Greaton's Regiment of Massachusetts minute men. 4.—Josiah Hayden Drummond, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891 6,304 Great grandson of Josiah Hayden, Captain in Col. Bailey's Regiment of minute men, Major in the Massachusetts Line. 5.—WALTER HENRY STURTEVANT, Richmond, Maine. 6,305 1891..... Great grandson of Ebenezer Smith, Captain Eighth Massachusetts Continental Regiment. 6.—MARQUIS FAYETTE KING, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891.... 6,306 Great great grandson of Lieut. Benjamin King, a member of the "Committee of Safety" and a delegate to the Provincial Congress. Great grandson of George King, Orderly Sergeant of Capt. John King's company, Col. Walker's Regiment, Massachusetts Line; also in Capt. Josiah Crocker's Company in Gen. Sullivan's Rhode Island campaign. Great great grandson of Eleazer Cole, a drummer, later a Sergeant in Capt. Josiah Hayden's Company, Massachusetts Line, 1775.

State No. Na	tional No
7.—EDWARD ANSON BUTLER, Rockland, Maine. Elected 1891	6,307
Great great grandson of Phinehas Butler, Corporal in Capt.	
J. Holden's Company, Col. Nixon's Regiment, Sixth Massa-	
chusetts Continental.	
8.—Albert Wheaton Butler, Rockland, Maine. Elected 1891.	6,308
Great great grandson of Phinehas Butler. (See No. 7.)	
9.—EDGAR FOSTER DAVIS, State College, Pennsylvania. Elected 1891	6,309
Great great grandson of Col. Benjamin Foster. For the	
capture of the Margaretta at Machias, June 1, 1775, Col.	
Foster and his associates received the thanks of the Pro-	
vincial Congress.	
10.—John Coffin Talbot, East Machias. Elected 1891	6,310
Great grandson of Col. Benjamin Foster. (See No. 9.)	
11.—HUBBARD WINSLOW BRYANT, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891.	6,311
Great grandson of Jesse Whitney, private in Col. Ebenezer	
Francis's Massachusetts Regiment, 1776; also enlisted with	
Gen. Wadsworth in 1780.	
12.—GIDEON STINSON SMITH, Wayne, Maine. Elected 1891	6,312
Grandson of Capt. Ebenezer Smith, Eighth Massachusetts	
Continental Regiment.	
13.—John Brooks Thorndike, Portland, Maine. Elected, 1891	6,313
Great great grandson of Robert Thorndike, who served in	
the naval and land forces during the Revolutionary War, and	
received a pension for his services.	
14.—John Evert DeWitt, Portland, Maine. Elected, 1891	6,314
Great great grandson of John DeWitt, First Lieutenant	
Charlotte Precinct, 1778; also Signer of Articles of Asso-	
ciation.	
Great great grandson of Johannes Jansen, Lieutenant-	
Colonel Fourth Ulster County Regiment; also Signer of	
Articles of Association.	
Great great grandson of Philip Hoornbeck, Lieutenant	
First Company, township of Rochester, N. Y.; also Signer of	
Articles of Association.	
Great grandson of Abraham Van Gaasbeck, Cornet and	
Second Lieutenant, 1778; also Signer of Articles of Asso-	
ciation.	
Great great grandson of Jonas Hasbrouck, a Signer of	
Articles of Association.	
Great great grandson of Johannes Hardenbergh,	
Colonel of Ulster County Regiment, 1775; also a member of	
the First Provincial Congress and the Fourth Provincial	
Congress.	
Great great grandson of Rev. Jacob Rutzen Hardenbergh,	
D.D., for whose apprehension, on account of his patriotism,	
the British general offered a reward of one hundred pounds.	
Great great grandson of Peter Schoonmaker, Captain Roch-	

State No.	ational N
ester Company, 1779; also Signer of Articles of Associa-	
tion.	
Great great grandson of Cornelius E. Wynkoop, Second	
Major of the Northern Regiment of minute men; also Signer	
of Articles of Association.	
Great great grandson of Benjamin Ten Broeck, a Signer of	
Articles of Association.	
15.—WILLIAM AUGUSTUS GOODWIN, Portland, Maine. Elected, 1891.	6,315
Great grandson of LieutCol. Ichabod Goodwin, who was	,,,,,
also a member of the Provincial Congress.	
16.—EDWARD PAYSON BURNHAM, Saco, Maine. Elected, 1891.	6,316
Great grandson of James Burnham, Delegate to the Con-	0,510
vention held in Faneuil Hall, Boston, September, 1768.	
Member of the Committee of Inspection, 1774, as per advice of	
Provincial Congress. Five of his sons rendered service in the	
Revolution.	
Grandson of Seth Burnham (who was a son of the above),	
a militia man, and engaged in the attack on an English brig	
of war, August 8, 1782, in Cape Porpoise Harbor. Captain	
James Burnham, a brother of Seth, was killed in this action.	
Great grandson of John Hovey, Representative to the	
General Court of Massachusetts; delegate to the Provincial	
Congress, 1775; Committee of Correspondence, Inspection and	
Safety, 1776; Chairman Committee of Safety, 1778.	
17. GEORGE FOSTER TALBOT, Portland, Maine. Elected, 1891.	6
	6,317
Great grandson of Col. Benjamin Foster. (See No. 9.) 18. WILLIAM FREEMAN, Cherryfield, Maine. Elected, 1891	60
	6,318
Great grandson of Enoch Freeman, Chairman of Com- mittee of Safety and Inspection, a member of the Committee	
of Correspondence, Member of the first Provincial Con-	
gress, Colonel of militia,	
3 ,	
Grandson of Samuel Freeman, member of the Committee of	
Safety and Inspection; delegate to the Second Provincial Con-	
gress and the Third, Secretary of the Third, Member of the	
House of Representatives and Clerk of the body.	
Great grandson of Jonas Clarke, delegate to the Convention	
that framed the Constitution.	
19.—WARREN HOWARD VINTON, Gray, Maine. Elected, 1891	6,319
Grandson of Joseph Bessey, private Massachusetts Line	
and a pensioner.	
20.—David Sutherland Hibbard, East Sumner, Maine. Elected,	,
1891	6,320
Grandson of Aaron Hibbard, a fifer in the Continental	
Army.	
21 — Josiah Hayden Drummond, Jr., Portland, Maine. Elected,	,
1891	6,321
Great great grandson of Major Josiah Hayden. (See No. 4).	

State No. N	ational No.
22.—THOMAS FILLEBROWN, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	6,322
Grandson of Thomas Fillebrown, private in Captain Thomas	
Mayo's Company, Col. Gerrish's Regiment Massachusetts	
troops; also in Capt. Barry's Company; later in the 3d Regi-	
ment, 1st Brigade, 1st Division of Massachusetts Line, and	
later in Capt. Amos Lincoln's Company in Col. Craft's	
Artillery Regiment.	
23.—JOHN WARREN PERKINS, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	6,323
Grandson of William Perkins, Captain and afterwards	
Major in Knox's Regiment of Artillery.	
24.—LUTHER FARRAR PINGREE, South Portland, Maine. Elected	
1891	6,324
Grandson of Stephen Pingree, a private in the Continental	
Army under Washington, and a pensioner.	
Grandson of Isaac Turner, a private in the Continental	
army and a pensioner.	
25.—NATHAN GOOLD, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	6,325
Great great grandson of Nathan Noble, a private soldier in	
the Revolutionary army, who was killed by a musket ball at	
the battle of Saratoga while entering the British works.	
26.—James Washington Plaisted, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891.	6,326
Great grandson of Richard Perkins, a private in Capt.	
Hubbard's Company, Col. Scammon's Regiment; later in	
Capt. Newell's Company, Col. Wm. Prescott's Regiment;	
later in Captain Grant's Company, Col. Story's Regiment;	
also in Capt. Shapley's company; received a pension.	
27-EDWIN STANDISH DRAKE, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891.	6,327
Great grandson of Ebenezer Drake, a private soldier in	
the Massachusetts Line, and a pensioner.	
28.—Joseph Williamson, Belfast, Maine. Elected 1891	6,328
Grandson of George Williamson, who enlisted at Charles-	
town, Mass., Feb. 1, 1776, for one year, under Capt. John	
Vinton of Braintree, Norfolk Co., Mass. He was in the	
battle at White Plains, Oct. 28, 1776.	
Great grandson of Ralph Cross, who in 1777 received a	
commission as Lieutenant-Colonel of the Essex Regiment,	
commanded by Col. Johnson of Andover, Mass. In the	
absence of Col. Johnson he commanded the regiment in the	
memorable battle which resulted in the surrender of Gen.	
Burgoyne.	
29.—Francis Brigham Denio, Bangor, Maine. Elected 1891	6,329
Great grandson of Seth Denio, serving in a Massachusetts	
regiment in the campaign against Burgoyne.	_
Great grandson of Benjamin Williams, Orderly Sergeant in	,
Captain Ezra Towne's company, Col. James Reed's Regiment,	
and was present at the battle of Bunker Hill; also, Ensign in	
Captain Stephen Parker's company, Col. Moses Nichols' Reg-	

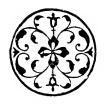
State No.	National No.
iment and Gen. Stark's Brigade, New Hampshire Militia	;
also, a pensioner.	
30.—George Doane Rand, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	. 6,330
Great great grandson of Col. Elisha Doane, delegate to th	e
Boston Convention, and representative to the General	ıl
Court of Massachusetts, 1781 and 1782.	
31.—CHARLES PORTER CLAPP, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	. 6,331
Great grandson of Joshua Clapp, Lieutenant in the Eight	h
Massachusetts Regiment in the campaign against Burgoyne	<b>;</b> ;
and severely wounded at Stillwater. Afterwards Lieutenan	ıt
and Quartermaster in the Ninth Massachusetts regiment.	
32.—James Alfred Spalding, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	. 6,332
Great grandson of Dyer Spalding, Captain, Major, Lieut.	
Colonel and Brev't. Colonel, New Hampshire Militia. H	e
was present at the capture of Ticonderoga, and at Burgoyne'	s
surrender.	
33.—Isaac Sparrow Bangs, Waterville, Maine. Elected 1891	. 6,333
Grandson of Dean Bangs, private in Captain Abijah Bangs	s'
Company, Col. Dike's Regiment, Massachusetts troops; also	),
enlisted as a privateersman.	
34.—Dennis Milliken Bangs, Waterville, Maine. Elected 189	1. 6,334
Great grandson of Dean Bangs. (See No. 33.)	
35.—George Roscoe Shaw, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	6,335
Grandson of Azel Kinsley, a private and a part of th	
time a fifer in several Massachusetts companies, at variou	
times from 1776 to July 1, 1780, when he enlisted in the Cont	
nental Army in Captain Bailey's Company, Colonel John Ba	i-
ley's Regiment.	
36.—George Edwin Brown, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	
Great grandson of Benjamin Bird, private in Captain Theo	
philus Lyon's Company, LieutCol. Samuel Pierce's Regimen	t,
Massachusetts Line, 1778.	
37.—James Phinney Baxter, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	
Grandson of Elihu Baxter, a private in Captain James Os	
good's Company, Col. Bedell's Regiment of the New Hamp	) <b>-</b>
shire Line. He was one of twenty drafted from the mil	i-
tia of Norwich, Vt., September, 1777, to serve in Col. Peter	er
Olcott's Regiment with Gen. Gates' army on the Hudson.	
38.—WILLIAM BERRY LAPHAM, Augusta, Maine. Elected 1891.	
Great grandson of John Lapham, private in a Massachuset	ts
regiment in 1778. Served in the Rhode Island campaign.	
Great grandson of John Buck, jr., a private in Captai	
Enoch Page's Company, Col. Senter's Regiment, Ne	w
Hampshire Line, Served in the Rhode Island campaign.	
Great grandson of William Berry, private, Massachuset	ts
troops. Served at Kittery and Portsmouth.	

State No. Na	tional No.
39.—Frank Roundy Ashton Pingree, Boston. Mass. Elected	
1891	6,339
Great grandson of Stephen Pingree and Isaac Turner. (See	,,,,
No. 24.)	
40.—HARRISON BIRD BROWN, Portland, Maine. Elected in 1891.	6,340
Great grandson of Benjamin Bird. (See No. 36)	
41.—RUFUS KING DUNHAM, Bryant's Pond, Maine. Elected 1891.	6,341
Grandson of James Dunham, private, Captain Harlow's	
Company, 1775; also, in Captain Edward Sparrow's Com-	
pany, Col. Danforth's Regiment, 1777, Massachusetts troops.	
42.—Brown Thurston, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	
Grandson of David Thurston, private, 1775, 1776, 1778,	
Massachusetts troops.	
Grandson of Benjamin Brown, private in Capt. Morrill's	
Company, 1st New Hampshire Regiment; also in Capt.	
Ebenezer Frye's Company.	
43.—EDWIN HOWARD VOSE, Calais, Maine. Elected 1891	
Great grandson of Josiah Hayden. (See No. 4.)	
44.—MALCOLM CAMERON PINGREE, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891.	
Great grandson of Stephen Pingree. (See No. 24.)	
45.—LAURISTON WARD SMALL, Brooklyn, N. Y. Elected 1891	
Great great grandson of Samuel Small, a member of the	
Committee of Correspondence, Inspection and Safety.	
Grandson of Henry Small, a private soldier in the Massa-	
chusetts Continental Line.	
Grandson of Harvey Libby, a private soldier in the Massa-	
chusetts Continental Line.	
46.—Fritz Hermann Jordan, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891	
Great grandson of Benjamin Jordan, who was a Lieutenant	
from July 1, 1775, to December 31, 1775, in Capt. David	
Strout's Company in the service of the Colony of Massachu-	
setts Bay. He also served at intervals during the war.	
Great grandson of Dr. Nathaniel Jones, Surgeon of a regi-	
ment of militia of which Jonathan Mitchell was Colonel, and	
which was engaged in the Bagaduce Expedition. As the	
result of exposure on the retreat he contracted a fever which	
caused his death.	
Great grandson of Levi Merrill, 3d Sergeant in Capt. David	
Bradish's Company, as per muster roll of August 1, 1775.	
47.—John Conant Stewart, York Village, Maine. Elected 1891.	
Great grandson of Allan Stewart, who was a private in Col.	
Cilley's Regiment, New Hampshire Line.	
48.—VINCENT Moses, Patten, Maine. Elected 1891.	
Grandson of John Campbell, who was a private in the	
Massachusetts Line. Near the close of the war, while on a	
privateer, he was taken prisoner with his brother, Vincent	
Campbell.	

State No. National No.

49.—Zebulon King Harmon, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891.
Grandson of William True, 1st Sergeant, Captain Henry Morrill's Company, Col. Caleb Cushing's Regiment of Massachusett's Militia, 1775; Lieutenant in Captain Benjamin Evans' Company, 1776.

50.—GEORGE WILLARD TRUE, Portland, Maine. Elected 1891. Grandson of John Knowles, private, New Hampshire Line.





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# NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

ADOPTED APRIL 30, 1890.

# ARTICLE I.

NAME.

The Name of this Society shall be the "Sons of the American Revolution."

# ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

The objects of this Society are, to perpetuate the memory and the spirit of the men who achieved American Independence, by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the Revolution and the publication of its results, the preservation of documents and relics, and of the records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots, and the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries; to carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and affording to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens;

to cherish, maintain, and extend the institutions of American freedom; to foster true patriotism and love of country; and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

# ARTICLE III.

# MEMBERSHIP.

- SECTION 1. Any man is eligible for membership, who is of the age of twenty-one years, and who is descended from an ancestor who, with unfailing loyalty, rendered material aid to the cause of American Independence, as a soldier or as a seaman, or a civil officer in one of the several Colonies or States, or of the United Colonies or States, or as a recognized patriot; provided that he shall be found worthy.
- SEC. 2. For the purpose of making more nearly perfect the records of our Revolutionary ancestors and their descendants, any woman of Revolutionary ancestry may file a record of her ancestor's services and of her line of descent with any Registrar, who shall send a duplicate to the Registrar-General.
- SEC. 3. Any person is eligible for honorary membership subject to the limitations as to age and descent established in the case of active members.
- SEC. 4. The National Society shall embrace all the members of the Societies of the SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION now existing or which may be established under this Constitution. Such Societies shall regulate all matters relating to their own affairs, shall judge of the qualifications of their members, and of those proposed for membership, subject to the provisions of this Constitution.

### ARTICLE IV.

# OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The General Officers of the National Society shall be a President-General, three Honorary Vice-Presidents-General, five Vice-Presidents-General, a Secretary-General, Treasurer-General, Registrar-General, Historian-General, Surgeon-General, and Chaplain-General, who shall be elected by

ballot by a vote of the majority of the members present at the annual meeting of the National Society, and shall hold office for one year and until their successors shall be elected, and who together with the Presidents of the State Societies, *ex-officio*, shall constitute a General Board of Managers, of which Board seven shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 2. An Executive Committee of seven, of whom the President-General shall be the Chairman, may be elected by the Board of Managers, which Committee shall, in the interim between the meetings of the Board, transact such business as shall be delegated to it by the Board of Managers.

# ARTICLE V.

### DUES.

Each State Society shall pay annually to the Treasurer-General twenty-five cents for each active member thereof. All such dues shall be paid on or before the opening of each annual meeting of the National Society, in order to secure representation therein.

# ARTICLE VI.

### MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS.

- SECTION 1. The annual meeting for the election of the General Officers and for the transaction of business, shall be held on the 30th day of April or on the first day of May in every year. The time and place of such meeting shall be designated by the Board of Managers.
- SEC. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the President-General when directed so to do by the Board of Managers, or whenever requested in writing so to do by twenty-five or more members representing at least five State Societies, on giving thirty days' notice specifying the time and place of such meeting and the business to be transacted.
- SEC. 3. The following shall be members of all such general or special meetings, and shall be entitled to vote therein:

- (1) All the officers, the ex-Presidents-General and the ex-Vice-Presidents-General of the National Society;
- (2) The President, and Senior Vice-President of each State Society;
  - (3) One delegate at large from each State Society;
- (4) One delegate for every one hundred members of the Society within a State and for a fraction of fifty or over.

The following named officials shall be Honorary Members of the National Society, provided they are eligible to membership in the Society, but shall not be entitled to vote:

- (1) The President, the Vice-President, and the Chief-Justice of the United States;
- (2) The President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy of the United States;
- (3) The Governors of the States and Territories of the United States,

AND ALSO the Senior officer of the Army, and the Senior officer of the Navy of the United States.

# ARTICLE VII.

### BY-LAWS.

The Board of Managers shall have authority to adopt and promulgate the By-Laws of the National Society, to prescribe the duties of the general officers, to provide the seal, and to designate the insignia.

### ARTICLE VIII.

### AMENDMENTS.

Amendments to this Constitution may be offered at any meeting of the National Society, but shall not be acted on until the next meeting. A copy of every proposed amendment shall be sent to each member, with a notice of the meeting at which the same will be acted upon, at least thirty days prior to said meeting.

A vote of two-thirds of those present shall be necessary to its adoption.

# OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

### PRESIDENT-GENERAL.

DR. WILLIAM SEWARD WEBB, New York City.

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REAR ADMIRAL JOHN L. WORDEN, U. S. N., Washington, D. C. LUTHER L. TARBELL, Boston, Mass.

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These officers, with the Presidents of all the State Societies, *ex-officio*, constitute the General Board of Managers of the National Society.









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