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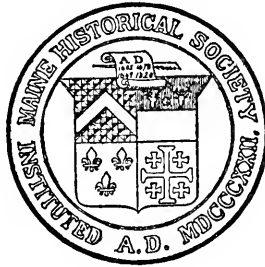
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JANUARY 12, 1911.

The monthly meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, No. 485 Congress street, Portland, Thursday, January 12, 1911, at 2.30 P. M. The president, Mr. Baxter, being absent, Hon. George A. Emery of Saco, took the chair and introduced Mr. Herbert Harris of Portland, who spoke entertainingly and instructively on the use of Esperanto as a universal language.

After some remarks by members present the meeting was adjourned with a vote of thanks to Mr. Harris.

FEBRUARY 16, 1911.

A meeting of the Society was held at the library hall, Thursday, February 16, and was called to order at 2.30 P. M. by the president, Mr. Baxter, who introduced Mr. Charles Thornton Libby as the reader of the paper which the Rev. Henry O. Thayer of New York, had contributed for the occasion. Mr. Libby did full justice to the paper, which was interesting and instructive as a biographical sketch of Sir William Phips and his relations with his birthplace, the town of Woolwich in Maine.

A report of accessions to the library and cabinet was read by Mr. Nathan Goold, who also read a biographical sketch of Captain William Burrows of the U. S. S. *Enterprise*, war of 1812, which he had contributed. Thanks were voted for the papers read and copies requested for the archives.

Adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

FEBRUARY 16, 1911.

The librarian made his last report December 14, 1910. Since that time the library has been conducted as formerly, making all the improvements we could, ever keeping in mind its greatest usefulness. Our funds are not sufficient for any great change, but we endeavor to make the most of what we have. With so much being given to other educational institutions, no more worthy than this, it seems a pity that we should not get our share. This is a most important institution to Maine. The State should aid us much more than it does. This Society is for the public good and is not a selfish effort. We need a permanent fund of sufficient size so that we can be assured of income enough to enable us to keep this work up to the highest standard. It is worth it. We need this assistance now.

There have been added to the library since my last report 72 bound volumes and 83 pamphlets, a total of 155. By gift we have received 116 books and pamphlets, by exchange 13, and we have purchased 26.

The principal gifts have been as follows :

Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, etc., from the records of Rev. Ammi Rumah Robbins, first minister of Norfolk, Conn., from Carl and Ellen Battel Stockel of that town.

Four pamphlets from Dr. Samuel A. Green of Boston.

Poems, Silver Clouds, by Alice J. Pennell, from Miss Myra S. Drummond.

The Blanchard Genealogy from Margaret Blanchard.

Two copies of Publication of the Piscataqua Historical Society, and also Volume 18, York Deeds, Maine Register 1910-11, and several public documents from the Maine State Library.

The Harvard Catalogue for 1910 and 1911 from that university.

Some Wings of Old Dartmouth, from Wm. Arthur Wing, Esq.

Dedication of the Tablet on the New York Custom House, from T. D. Huntting, Esq.

Descendants of Edward Small and Allied Families, by Mrs. L. A. W. Underhill, 3 volumes, from Mrs. Ada Small Moore, his daughter. These books are the greatest collection of original matter relating to a Maine family that has ever been issued. It is the result of eight years labor of Mrs. Underhill and reflects great credit on her.

Gilbert Thompson, by Marcus Benjamin, from the D. C. Society of Colonial Wars.

Old Canaan (Skowhegan) during the Revolution, from Miss Louise H. Colburn of Skowhegan.

American Monthly Magazine, from the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R.

Louis Raymond Francine, from Dr. Albert P. Francine.

Volume 1, Minutes of the Executive Council of the State of New York, 1668-1673, from Victor H. Paltsits, the State Historian.

Charles Thornton Libby, Esq., has donated to the library the following: Somerset, Devon and Cornwall County (England) Geographies, Congressional Directory for 1910, History of Pownal, Me., Miller on the Second Coming of Christ, Murray's Hand Book of France, volumes 1 and 3 Commercial Dictionary, Columbian Orator, 1804, and Tales of Brittany, also A Reply to William T. Dwight, D. D., on Spiritualism, Three Lectures by Jabez C. Woodman, 1857.

American and English Genealogies in the Library of Congress and their Report for 1910, from that library.

Bacon is Shakespeare, by Sir Edwin Durning, from the author.

We received from the estate of Etta B. Parker, New Travels in the United States, 1794, 2 volumes, volumes 1 and 2 Napier's History of the War on the Peninsula and South of France, Two Years and a Half in the Navy, Wines, 2 volumes, 1832, and volume 1, History of the Rebellion.

Judge A. R. Savage has presented a Lewiston and Auburn Directory of 1864, containing short histories of both cities.

From the Smithsonian Institution we have received Part 2, Hand Book of American Indians, North of Mexico.

Mrs. Mary Rogers Jewett has contributed to the library the works of her sister, Sarah Orne Jewett, 8 volumes, as a memorial to her.

The Hall of Fame of Maine, by Frank C. Griffith, 1905, from Hubbard W. Bryant, Esq.

We have obtained by exchange the following:

Proceedings of the Massachusetts Historical Society for 1909-10, volume 43.

Transactions of the British Royal Historical Society, volume 4, New Series, 1889, and volume 4, Third Series, 1910. This completes our set of the publications of this the greatest English Society.

Report for 1910 of the New Haven Historical Society.

Volume 11, Collections of the Kansas State Historical Society, 1909-10.

Pennsylvania Historical Magazine.

Maryland Historical Quarterly.

Essex Institute Collections, January, 1911.

New England Historic Genealogical Society Register.

Oregon Historical Quarterly.

Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society, October, 1909.

A Memoir of Rev. Sylvanus Cobb, 1867.

The Maine Spencers.

We have purchased the following :

- Buell's Life of Paul Jones, 2 volumes.
 Camden's Britannia, London, 1695.
 Town Registers of Farmington, Wilton, New Sharon and Chesterville, Me.
 History of Canaan, N. H.
 Wayside Jottings in Concord, N. H.
 Among the Turks, by Cyrus Hamlin.
 Register of Howdon Parish, Volume 3, Yorkshire, England.
 Dorset, Kent and Sussex County Geographies, England.
 The Vital Records of Framingham, Sherborn and Hull, Mass.
 Who is Who, English, 1910.
 History of Kings County, Nova Scotia, The Heart of Acadia Land, Eaton,
 1910.
 Haverhill, N. H., Town Affairs.
 English Furniture and Furniture Makers of the 18th Century, 1906.
 New Hampshire Genealogical Record, April, 1910.
 Records of Naval Men, London, 1910.

To our cabinet have been given the following :

- Increases Pote's Account Book, 1772, from Philip F. Turner, Esq.
 Sword found at Orr's Island and an axe dug up at Cundy's Harbor, from
 Woodbury S. Purinton, Esq.
 Map of Lynn, Mass., McIntire, 1852, from Charles C. Bickford, Esq.
 Mrs. Florence Hunt Libby has given an original report relating to the settle-
 ment of North Yarmouth, Me., with other papers.
 Frank E. Allen, Esq., contributed sixteen copies *Columbian Centinel*, 1802-
 1823, one copy *New York Mirror*, 1835, 1 copy *Kennebec Journal*, 1840.
 Lester M. Hart contributed four old newspapers.
 Mrs. Thomas Wentworth Higginson gave to the Longfellow House Collec-
 tion a manuscript letter written by Mary Storer Potter, the first wife of the
 Poet Longfellow, dated 1832.
 Mrs. Mary E. Charles, Bryantville, Mass., contributed a lantern used by
 Gen. Joseph Frye of Fryeburg, Me.
 The Lewiston Journal sent us a manuscript poem written in 1815.
 Mrs. Henry Hersey Coe has given the following articles of historic interest :
 Silk menu of the Portland Inauguration Ball of 1858, The History of Little
 Henry and His Bearer, Portland, 1818, The Young Lady's Accidence, etc.,
 Boston, 1790, Catalogue of Monitorial School, No. 2, Portland, 1828.
 Mrs. Edward H. Sargent donated a manuscript arithmetic made by Larkin
 Newton of Southboro, Mass., in 1809, and a pamphlet.

Those having English and American histories, town histories, genealogies, biographies and all kinds of family histories or manuscripts, can do no better than to donate them to this Society, where they are carefully and safely

kept and where they are made accessible to all applicants every week day. We endeavor to conduct the library on the most modern methods.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

MARCH 15, 1911.

A meeting of the Society was held Wednesday, March 15, and, in the absence of President Baxter, was called to order at 2.30 P. M., by Mr. Joseph Wood, who introduced Mr. Charles E. Allen of Dresden, Me. Mr. Allen read a paper concerning the Seguin Light House and its first keeper, John Polereczky. A good audience listened with attention and a vote of thanks, with request for a copy, was passed to Mr. Allen.

The subject of early Maine light houses and the importance of the shipping interests of our State were discussed at some length by the members present.

Adjourned.

ANNUAL MEETING.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 1911.

The annual meeting of the Society for 1911 was called at the lecture room of Hubbard Hall, Brunswick, Tuesday, June 20, at 2 P. M.

Members present: Charles E. Allen, James P. Baxter, Hubbard W. Bryant, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Hon. William T. Cobb, Fred O. Conant, Henry Deering, Dr. Fred H. Gerrish, Nathan Goold, Hon. Clarence Hale, Fritz H. Jordan, John A. Morrill, Weston Lewis, Judge Powers, William D. Patterson, Prentice C. Manning, M. A. Safford, A. C. Stilphen, Henry S. Webster, Joseph Wood.

Voted, As the records of the last annual meeting have been printed, to dispense with the reading.

The annual report of the librarian and cabinet keeper, Nathan Goold, was made by him and it was accepted.

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

The annual report of the standing committee was read and accepted.

The annual reports of the Lincoln County Historical Society, the biographer and the corresponding secretary, William D. Patterson, were read by him and were accepted to be placed on file.

The annual report of the Committee on Vital Records, Henry S. Webster, was read by him, and voted to be placed on file.

A nominating committee was appointed by the president consisting of Messrs. Hale, Stilphen and Gerrish, who retired and shortly afterwards reported that they had agreed upon the following as a board of officers for the ensuing year :

President—Hon. James Phinney Baxter.

Vice President—Prof. 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—Rev. Henry S. Burrage of Togus; Fred Odell Conant of Portland; Henry Deering of Portland; George A. 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, the committee deposited the ballot and the president declared the same duly elected.

The president made report on the vacant memberships in the Society, and read the ballot of twenty-one names which had been prepared by the Standing Committee; it was voted to proceed with the election of resident members, and on motion the recording secretary, Mr. Bryant,

deposited the following ballot which was read by the president, Mr. Baxter, and the following were declared elected resident members of the Society :

William E. Barry, Kennebunk.	Sydney B. Larrabee, Portland.
Charles D. Booth, Portland.	Frank A. Morey, Lewiston.
Ira Crocker, Portland.	Frederick W. Plaisted, Augusta.
Henry N. Fairbanks, Bangor.	Henry C. Prince, Madison.
Raymond Fellows, Bangor.	James W. Parker, Portland.
Lore H. Ford, Whitefield.	Francis C. Peaks, Dover.
James C. Fox, Portland.	Walter B. Russell, Gorham.
George B. Goodwin, Biddeford.	Frederic A. Tompson, Portland.
Frederick Hale, Portland.	John A. Waterman, Gorham.
Charles H. Hay, Portland.	Elmer E. Richards, Farmington.
Mrs. Julia Barstow Kimball, Portland.	

The meeting shortly after adjourned.

ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER.

BRUNSWICK, ME., June 20, 1911.

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 21, 1910, balance on hand as per last report,		\$ 8.93
Income of invested funds,	\$ 698.58	
Admittance fees, twelve new members,	120.00	
Annual dues, 1911, 203 members, \$3,	609.00	
Arrears of dues,	39.00	
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Sales of publications of the Society,	\$175.37	
Sales of duplicates,	35.73	
State of Maine, 500 copies each Vols. 15 and 16, Documentary Series,	2,500.00	
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Longfellow Memorial Fund,		1,000.00
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		<u>\$5,186.61</u>

PAYMENTS.

Canal National Bank loan of June, 1910,		\$ 300.00
Union Safe Deposit Trust Co., rent of box and bond of treasurer,	\$ 25.00	
Salaries of librarian, assistant and recording secretary,	1,311.69	
Janitor,	375.00	
Fuel, lights and water,	197.19	
Maintenance and repairs,	12.01	
Printing,	96.03	
Sundry miscellaneous items,	165.28	
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Furniture,	30.04	
Additions to library,	348.04	
Binding,	13.44	
Account Vol. 15, Documentary Series,	983.13	
Account Vol. 16, Documentary Series,	1,266.43	
	<hr/>	2,641.08
Cash on hand June 20, 1911,		63.33
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		<u>\$5,186.61</u>

The invested funds of the Society consist of stocks and bonds of the par value of \$16,500.

The account of the Longfellow Memorial Fund is as follows, viz. :

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand June 21, 1910, as per last report,		\$ 21.23
Income Wadsworth-Long- fellow House :		
Admissions, season 1910,	\$2,173.00	
Profit on articles sold at house,	391.15	
Contributions from visitors at house,	27.12	
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PAYMENTS.

Expenses Wadsworth-Long- fellow House :		\$2,612.50
Salaries of attendants and janitor,	\$646.85	
Repairs and maintenance,	72.76	
Furnishing,	50.99	
Fuel, lights, water and cleaning,	28.55	
Printing signs and record books,	47.65	
Sundries,	12.69	
	<hr/>	\$ 859.49
Interest on debt,	541.73	
Reduction of debt,	200.00	
	<hr/>	741.73
General fund Maine Histor- ical Society,		1,000.00
Cash on hand,		11.28
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		\$2,612.50
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Referring to the above reports, I will make the following general statement of the finances of the Society, viz. :

The Society moved its library and cabinet to the new library building in 1907. The building complete, with iron fence and brick walk, cost \$38,201.18; of this sum, \$16,682.42 was raised by subscription, \$6,518.76 was received from the income of the house for the years 1902 to 1906 inclusive, and \$15,000 was hired. This debt has been reduced to \$12,000 by the income of the house for the years 1907, 1908 and 1909, and a portion of the income of 1910.

The occupancy of the new library building has necessitated an increased expense in the way of salaries, heating, lighting, etc. The increased value of the library to members, to students and to the community in general, fully warrants this increased expense. The cost, however, of running the library is considerably larger than the income from interest and dues, viz. : Running expenses, such as salaries, heating, lighting, printing, etc., and without including publications or purchases for library, average about \$2,200 per annum. The income of the Society from invested funds and dues of members averages about \$1,400.

By the removal of the library to the new library building valuable rights in the Baxter building were surrendered to the city of Portland, and since the occupancy of the new building the library has been opened as a free reference library to school children and the public generally, and the city of Portland has paid to the Society the sum of \$1,000 annually, during the years 1907, 1908 and 1909. Portland having met with heavy losses by fire, this sum was not paid us in 1910 and has not been appropriated this year. It results that it has become necessary to use \$1,000 from the income of the house for necessary expenses of the library instead of devoting it to the reduction of the debt.

The estimated income of the Society from all sources for this year is sufficient to pay running expenses and interest with small sums for addition to library and reduction of the debt, but no money will be available for publications. The Society published its last volume of collections in 1906; since then it has published, with the assistance of the state, eight volumes of the Documentary Series. Copies of these have been sent to the members.

Those members, therefore, who live in remote sections of the state and receive no direct benefit from the use of the library, have received during the five years past a good equivalent for their annual dues.

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ H. JORDAN, *Treasurer.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND BIOGRAPHER.

BRUNSWICK, June 20, 1911.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

Your corresponding secretary and biographer reports that eleven of the thirteen persons elected to resident membership in 1910 have accepted membership.

The record of deaths is as follows:

RESIDENT MEMBERS.

Charles Hamlin, born 13 September, 1837, at Hampden; admitted, 1903; died at Bangor, 15 May, 1911.

James Morrill Larrabee, born 4 December, 1833, at Wales; admitted, 1894; died at Gardiner, 24 October, 1910.

Seth Leonard Larrabee, born 22 January, 1855, at Scarboro; admitted, 1897; died at Portland, 8 December, 1910.

Luther Ray Moore, born 25 March, 1869, at Limerick; admitted, 1895; died at Saco, 16 January, 1911.

Everett Blanchard Norton, born 8 June, 1861, at Farmington; admitted, 1903; died at Farmington, 22 June, 1910.

Henry Clay Peabody, born 1839, at Gilead; admitted, 1905; died at Portland, 29 March, 1911.

Levi Turner, born 1859, at Somerville; admitted, 1907; died at Portland, 18 February, 1911.

HONORARY MEMBER.

Melville Weston Fuller, born 11 February, 1833, at Augusta; died at Sorrento, 5 July, 1910.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. PATTERSON.

LINCOLN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Besides the regular meetings of the Society held during the past year, a field day meeting, which was notable in the annals of the Society, was held in August, 1910.

The year closes with an increased membership.

The present officers of the Society are:

President—William D. Patterson.

Vice President—Franklin L. Carney.

Treasurer—Albert I. Phelps.

Secretary—Harvey E. Winslow.

The secretary's address is Damariscotta.

WILLIAM D. PATTERSON, *President*.

May 31, 1911.

REPORT ON VITAL RECORDS.

BRUNSWICK, June 20, 1911.

To the President and Members of the Maine Historical Society:

At our last annual meeting it was hoped that some amendments of the law relating to the publication of vital records might be secured, which would hasten and facilitate the work. The committee appointed for the purpose of obtaining such amendments decided, after a conference, that it was not advisable to apply to the legislature for the desired changes, and we must therefore remain content with the slow progress which alone is possible under the present inadequate provision.

The Seventy-fifth Legislature appropriated for the purchase of vital records the sum of \$500 for 1911, and the same amount for 1912. Both of these appropriations will be required for the Vital Records of Pittston, and a contract has been made with the Secretary of State, by virtue of which both will be used for that purpose. The book is now being printed and will be ready before the end of the year.

I expect to have the Vital Records of Gardiner completed by 1913, which is the earliest possible date for the issue of another volume.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY S. WEBSTER.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

JUNE 20, 1911.

Your committee beg leave to report that since the last annual meeting we have sent out the call for six meetings of the Society, and that number of papers has been read and added to the archives.

Copies of the Portland newspapers containing very good reports of our meeting have been mailed to our out of town members.

On October 26, the first meeting of the season was held and we listened to Professor Chapman's scholarly address on Joel Barlow, the poet of the Revolution.

In November following we were especially interested in Mrs. Abba Gould Woolson's timely narration of her visit to Portugal.

In December, the Rev. George S. Delano gave us the result of his philosophic meditations in an address on the "Humanity of Historical Societies."

On January 12, Mr. Herbert Harris, one of the earliest advocates and students of the Esperanto language, appeared and gave us a historical resumé of what had been done in the invention and adoption of new and strange tongues.

On February 16, a meeting was called to enable the Rev. Henry O. Thayer of New York city, a corresponding and honorary member of our Society, to present a fresh instalment of his history of the Kennebec valley, in a chapter of the life and work of Sir William Phips, a native of Woolwich, Maine. The paper was well presented by Mr. Charles Thornton Libby.

On the same occasion Mr. Nathan Gould read his original biographical sketch of Captain William Burrows, the naval hero of the War of 1812.

On March 15, our meetings for the season were concluded with Mr. Charles E. Allen's annual contribution, which proved to be especially interesting as an account of the Seguin Light House and its first keeper.

Your committee would be pleased to receive written communications respecting future meetings of the Society.

The list of twenty-one candidates for election as resident members has been approved in due form and sent to each resident member.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

JUNE 20, 1911.

I beg leave to make the following annual report. The library is in good usable condition; each year shows an improvement over the last. Our buildings are in good condition for their use. The Wadsworth-Longfellow House is a source of great credit to the Society. Last year was a success, and yesterday its doors were thrown open for the season of 1911, with every prospect of success for this season. Eleven years make it an unqualified success.

We have added to the library the past year 1,214 titles, of which 458 were bound books and 756 pamphlets with numerous additions to our cabinet. Since our last report, February 13, 1911, we have added to the library 231 bound books and 312 pamphlets, and to the cabinet many interesting articles have been added.

The principal gifts have been as follows :

George Eliot and Her Heroine, Browsing Among Books, and Dress Reform, from the author, Mrs. Abba Gould Woolson.

Rules and Orders of the Senate of Maine, 1860 and 1861, from Charles H. True, Esq.

The Foreshadowed Way, from Henry Deering, Esq.

Hartford Seminary Record, from Hartford Theological Seminary.

University Studies, Volume 8, No. 1, from the University of Colorado.

Dedication of a Memorial Tablet at Ticonderoga, gift of Ticonderoga Pulp and Paper Co.

Maine Press Association 47th Annual Report, from Joseph Wood, Secretary.

Annual Report of Oberlin College, 1909, from the College.

Lake Monhawk Conference, October, 1910, from the Conference.

American Monthly Magazine for March and April, 1911, from Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter.

Reports of Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, from the University of Maine.

The Chase Chronicle from Wm. E. Gould, Esq.

Six numbers American Monthly, History of Col. Edmund Phinney's Regiment in 1775 and Col. Jonathan Mitchell's Regiment in 1779 from Mrs. Frank Merrill.

Passing of Mary Baker Eddy, by Edward C. Farnsworth, Esq.

Inauguration of William McKinley, from A. J. Huston, Esq.

Reports of the Hudson Historical Society of New Jersey, from the Society.
Exercises at the Dedication of the Statue of Thomas B. Reed.

From the estate of John Anderson, Esq., we have been given fifteen volumes Bacon's Works with thirty-three other volumes, making forty-four volumes.

Smithsonian Institution has contributed a handbook of American Indian Languages.

Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, Volume 17, 1761-4, from the State of Massachusetts.

Historic Critique de la Grande Entreprise de Christoph Colomb par Henry Vignaud, Tome 1 and 2, from the author.

State Document, Volume 30, of the State of New Hampshire, from the State.

The Development of the New England Dwelling House by Henry B. Worth, from the Society.

Almira Larkin White has contributed the following books: Genealogy of John White's Descendants, four volumes, White Family Quarterly and Reunion of the White Family, Ancestry of John Prescott and Genealogy of Nicholas Hodsdon.

Portland Directory of 1911, from Fred L. Tower, Esq.

Twenty-four State documents and pamphlets from State Librarian.

Portland Magazine, 1834-5, and Maine Magazine from Rev. Dr. John Carroll Perkins.

H. W. Bryant has given a lot of books and pamphlets to the library.

Register of Harvard University, 1911, from that institution.

Volume 2, Minutes of the Province of New York, 1668-1673, from the State Historian.

The Old Town of Berwick, The Address of Theodore H. Jewett, M. D., and The Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of the Congregational Church in 1902, together with the address of Rev. Dr. George Lewis from Miss Mary R. Jewett.

History of the Royal Arch Chapter of Masons of Mattawamkeag, Me.

American Historic Review from the Publisher.

United States Agreement of the Boundary Line between Canada and United States and the Decision of the same, from Messrs. Verrill, Hale and Booth, and also the British Argument.

Charles Thornton Libby, Esq., has contributed three bound books and six unbound books, also two volumes History.

Mrs. Isabella King, widow of Horatio King of Washington, D. C., has contributed sixty-one volumes and nine pamphlets of miscellaneous character.

Myra S. Drummond has contributed a scrap book of Maine Towns.

Field Book of Benjamin Cram and Benjamin Hunnewell, from New Bedford Public Library.

Volume 1, Documentary Series, Maine Historical Society, and sixteen volumes Providence Early Records, from Mrs. Nathan Webb.

Index of Places, N. E. Historic and Genealogic Magazine.

The exchanges have been :

- Iowa Journal of History and Politics, January and April, 1911.
 New York Historical Society, Abstract of Wills, 1786-1796, Collection 1895.
 American Antiquarian Society Proceedings, Volume 20.
 Wisconsin Historical Society Proceedings, 1910.
 Connecticut Historical Society, Volume 13, Collection.
 Oregon Historical Society Quarterly, December, 1910.
 New England Historical-Genealogical Society Proceedings, 1911, and
 Quarterly, April, 1911.
 Massachusetts Historical Society, Volume 7, seventh series, Collection ;
 Part 1, Diary of Cotton Mather.
 Maryland Historical Society Quarterly, March, 1911, and Annual Report,
 1910.
 Essex Institute Quarterly, April, 1911.
 Pennsylvania Historical Society Quarterly, January, 1911.
 Missouri Historical Society Quarterly, 1911.
 Michigan Historical Society, Volumes 36 and 37, Collection.
 Rhode Island Historical Society Proceedings, 1908-9.
 Mississippi Valley Historical Society Proceedings, 1909-1910.
 Manchester Historical Society, Collection, Volume 12.
 Locke Genealogy by John G. Locke.
 History of Shipbuilding on North River, Mass., with Genealogy of Families.

The purchases have been :

- Life of Robert Fulton.
 Nova Scotia in its Historical, Mercantile and Industrial Relations, 1873.
 Poets of Portsmouth, N. H.
 Magazine of History for February, March, April and May, 1911.
 History of Cohoes, N. Y.
 Colonial Currency Reprint, Volume 2, Princes Society.
 A Chronology of Municipal History of Waterville, Me.
 Massachusetts Magazine, January, 1911.
 Some Old Time Meeting Houses of Connecticut Valley.
 Jonathan Rathburn Narrative and Dartmoor Massacre, Magazine of His-
 tory, extra.
 Index of Places of N. E. Historical-Genealogical Magazine.
 History of Duxbury, Mass.
 The American Glass Trade, Spear, 1907.
 Dorcestshire Parish Register, marriages, Volume 5.
 Atlas of Maine, 1902-3.
 Abraham Lincoln. P. H. Hannaford.
 American Tars in Tripolitan Slavery. Ray.
 New Facts Concerning John Robinson. Champlin Burrage.
 Handbook of American Indians, Part 1.
 An Englishman's View of the Battle between the Alabama and Kearsarge,
 Frederick Miles, Esq.

Charlotte Cushman. Stebbins.
 History of Natick, Mass. Bacon.
 American Catholic Historic Research of April and July, 1911.
 Devon and Cornwall Notes and Queries for April, 1911.
 The International Year Book, 1910.
 The Life of Dorothy Lynde Dix, Tiffany.
 New England Family History.
 By the Name of Rice. Dr. Edmund Rice, the Pilgrim.

To the cabinet we have added :

A tip table, belonged to Parson Samuel Deane, from Mrs. Robert B. Post.
 Photographs of trustees of Bowdoin College, Gen. Rosencranz and other officers, and a picture of Robert E. Lee, from the estate of George E. Swasey, of Boston, Mass.

Edward E. Rand, Esq., has contributed commissions of justice of peace of John Rand, George D. Rand and himself; also Farmers Almanacs, 1839 and 1909.

A poem of the celebration at Gorham, in 1824, from A. J. Huston, Esq.

A picture, made with a needle, from Mrs. Caroline A. Richards.

Edward S. Everett, Esq., has given Gen. McClellan's Dream, Kans. P. R. R. and other poetry.

Columbian Centennial of 1802, and the Washington Globe of 1834, from Miss Emma Gould.

Miss Mary G. Ray has given an account of Gen. Henry G. Dearborn of the Battle of Bunker Hill, His Life, two letters relating to Bunker Hill and a bundle of letters that were his.

Philip Q. Loring has given the following articles :

Two verses of America, written by S. F. Smith, the author.

Program calico dress ball, 1858.

Advertisement of slaves at auction.

Towels made from first communion table cloth of Second Parish Church, North Yarmouth.

Union cup box.

Rebel flag, captured by a North Yarmouth soldier.

Colonial musket.

Gen. John Chandler's sword and scabbard.

Hon. Andrew Hawes has contributed the following :

Model of a bark built at Stroudwater.

Lot of Moses Pierson's papers relating to the capture of Louisburg.

Dr. Charles E. Banks has contributed :

Document signed by J. Willard, Sec'y, 1731.

Copy of land grants to Jonathan Bagley in Berwick.

Portraits of Sir John Popham, Sir Wm. Phips and John Wheelwright.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN GOOLD, *Librarian.*

NOVEMBER 28, 1911.

A meeting of the Society was held at the Library Hall, Portland, Tuesday afternoon, November 28, 1911, at 2.30 P. M. Mr. George A. Emery of Saco, took the chair. Mr. Nathan Goold read a report of accessions to the library and cabinet.

Mr. George S. Rowell read a paper entitled John Baker, a Hero of Madawaska. The paper was of considerable interest and at its close received a vote of thanks.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The last report of your librarian was made at Brunswick, June 20, 1911. The library is being continually added to until we have a fine collection of books and articles relating to the history of the State and nation. There has been no unusually large donation to report at this time and the others will be reported in their places.

The Longfellow House was kept open from June 19, 1911, to September 30, 1911, and had a very successful season. It was the next to the best season we have had since the house was first opened, eleven years ago. 1907 was a better one. We paid all the guides the whole season, the first time we have done so, and turned into the treasurer's hands one hundred dollars more than last year. We have put new gutters on the house and put in a new door, also painted the roof and the outside of the house, so that the property is in first class condition for the winter.

Since the June report we have added to the library 137 bound volumes and 244 pamphlets, making a total of 381. We have also added many articles to our cabinet relating to our history. By gift we have added 321 bound volumes and pamphlets, by exchange we have added 17 bound volumes and pamphlets, and have purchased 43 bound volumes and pamphlets.

The gifts since last report have been as follows :

The American Monthly Magazine, June to November, 1811, from the Elizabeth Wadsworth Chapter, D. A. R.

Marriages from 1784 to 1831, in York County, by Rev. Simon Locke, from Emma Gould.

Robert Vose and His Times, from Miss M. B. Fairbanks.

Historical Society of Hudson County, N. J., July, 1911, from the Society.

Buck's History of Bucksport, Me., from Raymond Fellows, Esq.

A Sketch of the Life of Rafensque, by Fitzpatrick, from Historical Department of Iowa.

Thirty Years After, Class of Eighty-one, Amherst College, from the class.

Robert Coe, Puritan, His Ancestors and Descendants, 1340 to 1910, by Thomas Upham Coe, Esq.

Memorial of the Most Material Transaction in England for the last hundred years preceding the Revolution, 1688, The Gentleman Instructed in the Conduct of a Virtuous and Happy Life and The Apologies in Defence of the Religion, from Charles Thornton Libby, Esq.

Memoir of Elder Elijah Shaw and The Life and Adventures of Peter Wilkins, from Mrs. Harriet A. Sawyer.

Proceedings and Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada, three series, Volume 4, from the Society.

Precursors of Jacques Cartier, 1497-1543, from the Canadian Archives.

Catalogue of Pamphlets and Reports in the Dominion Archives, 1611 to 1867, from the Canadian Archivist.

American Historical Association, The Texan Diplomatic Correspondence.

Captain John Smith's Narrative, Charles Deane, from H. S. Burrage, D. D.

William Chamberlain of Billerica, Mass., and His Descendants, from the author, George W. Chamberlain, Esq.

Four Bulletins of the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, from the Society.

Correspondence of John Henry Hobart, 1757-1797, from the Commission on Archives, Protestant Episcopal Church.

Reports of General Conference of Maine, from Rev. A. H. Wright.

Memoir of Robert F. Skillings, with selections from his poems, from Franklin Skillings, Esq.

First Generation of the Name of Hildreth in Middlesex, Mass., from Gen. Philip Reade.

The Portland Rossini Club, 1910-1911, from the Club.

Letters of Denneys De Berdt, 1757-1770, from Albert Matthews, Esq.

Report of Yale College, August, 1911, from the librarian.

Calendar of Papers of Martin Van Buren, from Librarian of Congress.

Five bound books and forty-four pamphlets, from Hubbard W. Bryant, Esq.

Proceedings of the Bunker Hill Monument Association, June 17, 1911, from the association.

Volume 20, American Jewish Historical Association, from that association.

Epitaphs, A Queer Book, from J. B. Totten, Esq.

Early Poetry of Old Dartmouth, from Wm. Arthur Wing, Esq.

The Chase Chronicle for October, 1911, from Wm. Edward Gould, Esq.

Annual Report of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, 1911, gift of the company.

Town Reports of Oldtown, Sketches of Oldtown, and Charter and Ordinances of same, from Our Neighborhood Club, Oldtown.

Thomas Williams' Life and Speeches, two volumes, by Belva Alva Kankle, from the Misses Williams.

Annual Report of American Historical Association, from the association.

Twenty-seventh Report of Bureau of Ethnology, 1905-6, from the bureau.

Tidal Marshes and Their Reclamation by George M. Warren, 1911, from the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Benjamin Sherwood Hedrick and Bartlett Yancy, from the University of North Carolina.

Canada Year Book, 1910, from Canadian Government.

The William Penn Memorial, from Penn. Society of New York.

Pittston, Maine, Vital Records to 1892, H. S. Webster, Esq., from the state.

Our principal exchanges have been as follows :

Magazine of History for April and July, from Penn. Historical Society.

Maryland Historical Magazine for June and September, from Maryland Historical Society.

Essex Historical Society Collections for July and October, 1911, from the Society.

Iowa Journal of History and Politics for July and October, 1911, from the Iowa Historical Society.

Archives of Maryland, Proceedings of the Council, 1753-1761, and Letters to Governor Sharpe, Volume 31, from Maryland Historical Society.

The Chattanooga Campaign and Wisconsin Women in the War, from the Wisconsin Historical Society.

New England Historical and Genealogical Register, July and October, 1911, from that Society.

Oregon Historical Quarterly for March, 1911, from that Society.

Seventeenth Annual Report of the Kansas Historical Society, from that Society.

Art Work of Portland, Me., twelve parts.

Missouri Historical Review for October, 1911, from that Society.

Social New York under the Georges, 1714-1776 (Singleton).

Our principal purchases have been as follows :

Historical Digest of the Provincial Press.

History of Martha's Vineyard, Dr. C. E. Banks, two volumes.

Magazine of History for June, July and August, 1911.

Notes and Queries of Devon and Cornwall, England.

Dunstable, Mass., Families, by Ezra S. Stearns.

Cornwall, England, Marriages, Volume 19.

- Journal of American History, 2d and 3d Quarter, 1911.
 Camera Studies in and near Portland, Me.
 Alden Genealogy.
 Magazine of History, No. 16.
 Newburyport, Carver, Duxbury, Hopinton, Kingston, Stow and Worthington, Mass., Vital Records.
 American Catholic Historical Researches for October, 1911.
 War and Peace, four volumes, by Leo Tolstoi, and Armorial Families (English), by Fox-Davies.
 New England Family History, October, 1911.
 Tercentenary History of Canada, three volumes.
 Walton's Vermont Register, 1911-1912.
 American Historical Review, October, 1911.
 War with Spain, Lodge.
 Historical Memories relating to the Housatonic Indians, 1693-1735.

We have added to the cabinet the following :

- Four Gargoyles from the Clapp house, Spring street, from Charles C. Bickford, Esq.
 John Perry's Pitcher, of Brunswick, Me., from Curtis A. Perry, Esq.
 Portrait of Rev. John Stevens, also one of Henry W. Longfellow at Cambridge, two newspapers and circular, from Charles A. Bean, Esq.
 War Poster, stuck on Park Street Church in 1861, from J. William Randall, Esq., San Francisco, Cal.
 Large Portrait of Nelson Dingley, Jr., from Hon. Charles F. Libby.
 Plan of Falmouth, from Fred L. Tower, Esq.
 Plan of New Haven, Conn., 1641, and also of Milford, Conn., 1646, from Yale College.
 John Brown's Portrait and Birthplace, from John Marr, Esq., Cleveland, O.
 Mrs. George S. Hunt has presented an Album containing 215 autographs of public men, such as Grant, Garfield, Stanton, Colfax, etc.
 Early Records (1719-1764) Town of Lunenburg, Mass.
 History of Fairfield, Conn., two volumes, Schenck.

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