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PILGRIM CELEBRATION.

It having been suggested, that a Celebration of the Anniversary of the Embarkation of the Pilgrims from Delft Haven in 1620, would be a highly appropriate and fitting tribute to the memory of the Fathers of New England, and also a proper season for taking measures to erect a monument in the town, on or near "Forefathers' Rock," the Pilgrim Society, at a meeting held in May, authorized the Trustees of the Society to make the necessary preparations for such celebration, to take place August 1, 1853, that day corresponding, in New Style, to July 22, Old Style, the day on which the Pilgrims embarked from Delft Haven.

At a meeting of the Trustees held June 16, 1853, the following persons were chosen to act as the Committee of Arrangements: Richard Warren, Timothy Gordon, Andrew L. Russell, Eleazer C. Sherman, Trustees in Plymouth; Nathaniel B. Shurtleff, James T. Hayward, Trustees in Boston; Charles H. Warren, and William S. Russell, members of the Society.

The Committee appointed the following Marshals: —

WILLIAM T. DAVIS, *Chief Marshal.*

JOHN D. CHURCHILL, and SAMUEL H. DOTEN, *Aids.*

William Atwood, 2d, William Bishop, Charles O. Churchill, Winslow Drew, John H. Harlow, Barnabas Hedge, George H. Jackson,

Thomas Loring, John J. Russell, Edward W. Russell, Nathaniel B. Spooner, George Simmons, Jr., Jeremiah Farris, Samuel Shaw, B. H. Holmes, Isaac Brewster, William R. Drew, George G. Dyer, D. J. Lane, William H. Nelson, George Bramhall, Jr., of Plymouth.

Waterman French, Abington.

P. D. Kingman, Bridgewater.

Matthias Ellis, Carver.

Henry Thomas, William Ellison, George B. Standish, of Duxbury.

James H. Mitchell, East Bridgewater.

James H. Wilder, Hingham.

Perez Simmons, Hanover.

Nathaniel Cushing, Hanson.

Robert Gould, Hull.

J. S. Beal, Kingston.

Harrison Staples, Lakeville.

J. Sampson, Jr., Middleborough.

W. N. Ellis, Marion.

George M. Baker, Marshfield.

G. W. Bryant, North Bridgewater.

Z. Parker, Plympton.

George F. Hatch, Pembroke.

Theophilus King, Rochester.

William P. Allen, Scituate.

Albion Turner, South Scituate.

Thomas Ames, West Bridgewater.

Lewis Kenney, Wareham.

Le Baron Russell, Rufus B. Bradford, Solomon J. Gordon, George P. Hayward, Thomas Russell, Isaac Winslow, and Pelham W. Hayward, of Boston.

Invitations were extended by the Committee of Arrangements to the following societies and individuals: —

Plymouth Church, Southwark, England.

The authorities of Delft Haven, Leyden, and Southampton.

Presidents of New England Societies in New York, Brooklyn, N. Y.,

Philadelphia, Charleston, S. C., Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, New Orleans, Michigan, San Francisco, Washington.

Franklin Pierce,	President of United States.
Millard Fillmore,	Ex-President of United States.
William L. Marcy,	Secretary of State.
Caleb Cushing,	Attorney-General, U. S.
Hon. John J. Crittenden,	Kentucky.
“ William H. Seward,	New York.
Governor Clifford,	Massachusetts.
Hon. Edward Everett, }	United States Senators, Mass.
“ Charles Sumner, }	
“ Benjamin F. Hallett,	District Attorney, Mass.
“ Nathaniel P. Banks,	President of Convention for Revising the Constitution of Mass.
“ C. H. Warren,	President of Senate, Mass.
“ George Bliss,	Speaker of House of Repr., Mass.
“ David Sears,	President of Cape Cod Association.
“ Rufus Choate,	Attorney-General, Mass.
“ Abbott Lawrence.	
“ Robert C. Winthrop.	
“ Josiah Quincy.	
“ William Appleton,	Memb. Congress from Mass.
“ Charles W. Upham,	“ “ “
“ S. L. Crocker,	“ “ “
“ J. W. Edmunds,	“ “ “
“ Tappan Wentworth,	“ “ “
“ Alexander DeWitt,	“ “ “
“ E. Dickinson,	“ “ “
“ J. Z. Goodrich,	“ “ “
“ Zeno Scudder,	“ “ “
Lieut.-Governor Huntington,	of Massachusetts.
Judge Sprague,	United States District Court.
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“ Thomas H. Perkins,	Boston.
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Dr. Benjamin Huger, Esq.,	“
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Thomas F. Capers, Esq.,	“
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