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CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY

I.

This Society shall be called The American Society of Church History.

II.

Its object shall be the promotion of studies in the department of Church History.

III.

The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting.

No President shall be elected to succeed himself.

These officers, the ex-Presidents and two other members to be elected annually, shall constitute the Council, of which three shall be the quorum.

The Council may fill vacancies until the next annual meeting.

IV.

The duties of the persons just named shall be respectively as follows:

The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings of the Society. In the absence of these officers, the Society may choose a temporary president from the members present.

The Secretary shall notify the members at least two weeks in advance of each meeting, keep the minutes, and conduct the correspondence of the Society under the direction of the Council.

The Treasurer shall send bills regularly to all annual members, take charge of the funds of the Society, and invest and disburse them under the direction of the Council.

The Council shall be charged with the general interests of the Society including the election of members, the calling of meetings, the selection of papers, the arrangement of programs, the determination of papers to be published, and the auditing of the Treasurer's accounts.

V.

The members shall be either active or sustaining. The annual fee for active members shall be Three Dollars; for sustaining members, Ten Dollars. On payment of One Hundred Dollars at any one time any member may become a life-member exempt from fees.

VI.

One copy of each of the publications of the Society, issued after their election, shall be sent to all life-members, and to all other members not in arrears for more than two years, and to all libraries subscribing Three Dollars annually.

VII.

The Society shall meet annually at such time and place as the Council may determine. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Council. Ten members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may sit for the purpose of hearing and discussing papers presented.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RE- ORGANIZED AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

THE Society held the first and second sessions of its fourth annual and fifth public meeting in the Directors' Room of Union Theological Seminary at Broadway, 120th to 122d streets, Manhattan, New York City, on Tuesday, December 27, 1910. President Arthur Cushman McGiffert presided and there was a goodly company of members and visitors. The meeting was opened with prayer by the President and the programme of the day was as follows:

Edward Payson Johnson, professor of church history in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed (Dutch) Church at New Brunswick, New Jersey, read the first paper. His theme was the "Early Missionary Work among the North American Indians." The topic was discussed by Messrs. Ayer, Corwin, Good, Miller, and Rockwell.

The President made his address, in the form of an unwritten report upon the literature on church history produced in 1910, supplemented by a typewritten bibliography distributed to the members present.

The Society then adjourned for luncheon, which was taken in the Commons of Columbia University. The Council met in the President's study in his apartment in the Seminary buildings at 2.30 P.M., and on the re-assembling of the Society at 3 P.M. reported through former President Christie this ticket which on motion was unanimously elected and