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At a meeting held January 25th, 1898, Capt. Nathan Appleton, of Boston, read a paper entitled, "The American Inter-oceanic Canal and its Relations to the Future of the Pacific Ocean."

February 8th, 1898, Thomas Hamilton Murray, editor of the *Pawtucket Tribune*, read a paper entitled, "Some Irish Rhode Islanders in the Revolution."

March 8th, 1898, Hon. Nathan W. Littlefield gave an illustrated lecture entitled, "London and the Fathers of the Pilgrim Church."

March 22d, 1898, Hon. John S. Brayton, LL. D., read a paper entitled, "Some Facts in the History of Tiverton and Little Compton."

The first quarterly meeting of 1898 was held April 5th. The librarian presented his quarterly report. The secretary reported the receipt of a letter from William B. Weeden declining to accept the office of vice-president, and one from the Rhode Island Society of Sons of the American Revolution, thanking