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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 SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE REORGANIZED AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

THE Society met for its second annual meeting since its reorganization in Room 311 of Havemeyer Hall, Columbia University, New York City, at 10.30 A.M., Tuesday, December 29, 1908. The President, Henry Eyster Jacobs, called the meeting to order and offered prayer. He then delivered the address on "The Four Hundred and Four Theses of Dr. John Eck" which is printed on the following pages.

He was followed by John Nicum, who read a paper on "The Beginning of the Lutheran Church on Manhattan Island," also printed in this volume. It was discussed by Messrs. Ewell, Corwin, and Johnson. The concluding paper of the session was by James Isaac Good on "Early Attempts at Church Union in America."

On motion, it was resolved that hereafter the Nominating Committee shall consist of the former presidents of the Society and the Secretary.

The Society then adjourned for luncheon in the university refectory.

The second session was opened in the same place at 3 P.M. The first paper was by Samuel Simpson on "Early Ministerial Training in America," and was discussed by Messrs. Walker, Richards, Ewell, Ayer, Rockwell, and Johnson. The concluding paper was by John Alfred Faulkner on "Luther and Economic Questions," and was