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With an Appendix

GROTON:
1908.

TO
THE MEMORY
OF
GEORGE SEWALL BOUTWELL

JANUARY 28, 1818—FEBRUARY 27, 1905

WHO ALWAYS TOOK AN ACTIVE PART IN WHATEVER
CONCERNED THE WELFARE OF
THE TOWN

PREFACE

THESE several addresses were delivered on different occasions by request of the town, and were published originally in pamphlet form. As they have long been out of print, they are now brought together and republished in a volume for the greater convenience of those who take an interest in the town. The titlepages have been somewhat shortened, but the several inscriptions or dedications have been allowed to remain. The Address of July Fourth, 1876, was given in the First Parish Meeting-house; and the other two Addresses were made in the Town Hall.

The Archives, often quoted as authority for statements in the text, are the Massachusetts Archives found at the State House.

MARCH 16, 1908

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AN
HISTORICAL ADDRESS

BI-CENTENNIAL AND CENTENNIAL

JULY 4, 1876

GROTON BURNED BY THE INDIANS, 1676.
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, 1776.
