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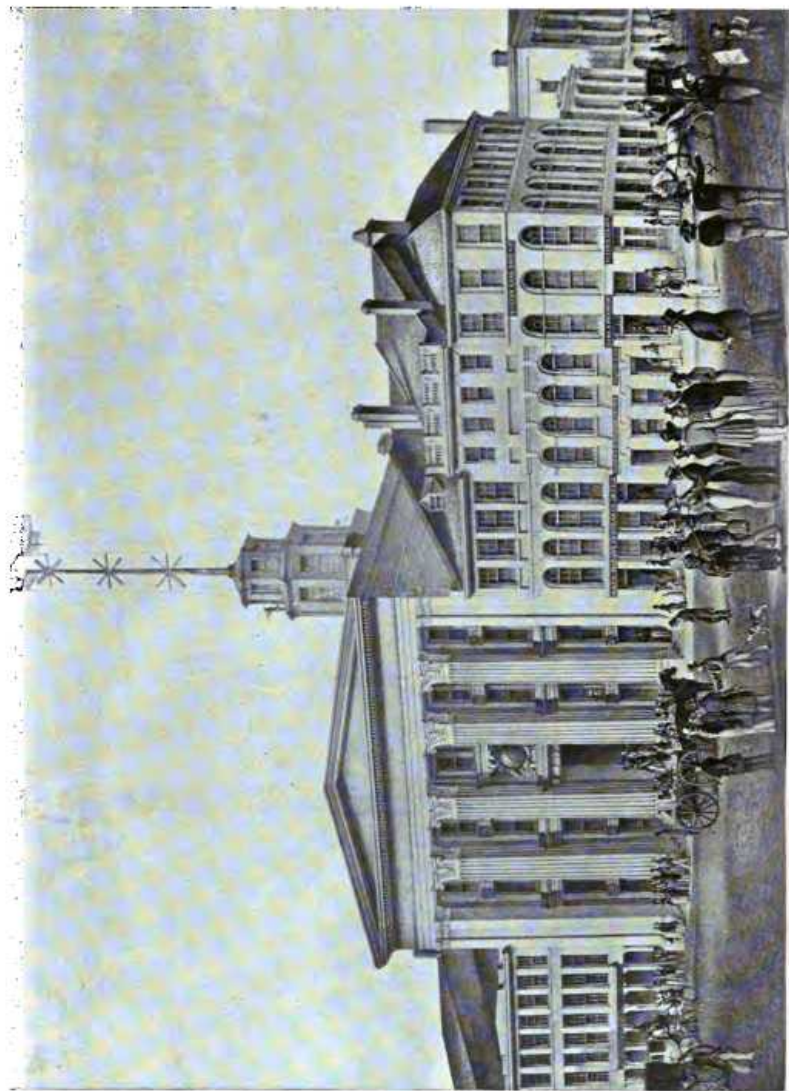
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BOSTONIAN SOCIETY.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Bostonian Society was held in the Council Chamber of the Old State House, on Tuesday, January 9, 1894, at 3 P. M., the President, Mr. Curtis Guild, in the chair.

The record of the last monthly meeting was read by the Clerk and approved.

The candidates recommended by the Directors were elected to membership in the Society, after which the President addressed the Society as follows :

PRESIDENT GUILD'S ADDRESS.

Fellow Members of the Bostonian Society:

THE events of each succeeding year emphasize the importance of the duty of this Society in carrying out the objects for which it was formed, "To promote the study of the history of Boston and to preserve its antiquities."

In looking over the past history of the city we must be impressed with the service which organizations like this can render to the future student and historian, and how much fuller and more accurate the record might have been of what may be styled the immediate past, had there been similar organizations and the same interest manifested in the historic lore of Boston that prevails among enthusiastic antiquarians of the present time.

It must, however, be remembered that sixty or seventy years ago was probably a time when Boston had not attained

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