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## PREFACE

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THE character of the book of records, included in printed volume eight and in this volume, is explained in the preface to volume eight.

The remaining entries contained on pages 155 to 312 inclusive in the volume of town records entitled "Town Meetings No. 3 1677 to 1750" furnish the material for this ninth volume of the Early Records of the Town of Providence. This volume, like those preceding it, is authorized by the following resolution of the City Council, approved March 6, 1891:

"RESOLVED, That Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter, and Edward Field, are hereby appointed record commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, for the purpose of collecting and printing the early records of the town of Providence. And said commissioners are hereby authorized to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for collecting and printing said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing."

Since the passage of this resolution there have been passed from time to time other resolutions making appropriations for the prosecution of this work.

The material contained in this volume consists largely of layouts of various highways in and around Providence. Through the courtesy of J. Herbert Shedd, City Engineer, the commissioners have been able to identify nearly every one of these highways, and foot notes are added to show the present street or highway intended by the crude and indefinite courses and boundaries given in the originals. The remaining entries consist of a few town meeting records, records of coroners' inquests, indentures of apprenticeship and records of marriages, while a part of the book is taken up with entries relative to stray cattle, reports of wolf killers and other miscellaneous records.

In order to save the reader the trouble of consulting the previously printed books the signs and characters used for special purposes in the text are here again explained.

The figures at the top of the pages, and enclosed in brackets, indicate the paging of this present volume.

The heavy figures enclosed in brackets represent the paging of the original book as it now stands.

This mark | shows the beginning and end of interlineations in the original.

Words or letters printed in parentheses are so found in the original.



Brackets enclosing blank space, thus, [ ] signify that something is missing, or illegible, in the original.

The sign ꝥ is used to represent a contraction or double letter, which, in the original, stands for pr, and is used as the representative of syllables containing those letters with a vowel.

In very many cases the marks or signs manual made by illiterate persons to instruments, in lieu of their own proper written signatures, are reproduced in fac-simile on the records by the recording officer, but in print in this volume these signs are usually represented by an X, being the conventional sign commonly used for that purpose.

Four indexes follow the text in this book, viz.: an Index to Names, an Index to Indian Names, an Index to Subjects, and a Miscellaneous Index.

HORATIO ROGERS,  
GEORGE M. CARPENTER,  
EDWARD FIELD.

PROVIDENCE, July, 1895.



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[ PART TWO ]