

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN FOLK-LORE SOCIETY.

TOGETHER with the American Society of Naturalists and Affiliated Societies, the American Folk-Lore Society met in Chicago, Ill., December 31, 1901, and January 1 and 2, 1902.

On Tuesday, December 31, the Societies met in Kent Theatre, University of Chicago, at 8 P. M. An address of welcome was given by President W. R. Harper. A lecture was read by Dr. L. O. Howard, the subject being "International Work with Beneficial Insects."

At 9.30 P. M., in the President's house, a reception was given to all the Societies by President Harper.

On Wednesday, January 1, the Society met for business in the Field Columbian Museum, at 10 A. M., the President, Prof. Frank Russell, in the chair.

The Secretary presented the report of the Council.

The membership of the Society, at the end of 1901, was as follows: Honorary members, 15; life members, 12; annual members, 325; libraries subscribing, 77; total, 429.

During the year no additional volume of the Memoirs of the American Folk-Lore Society has been issued. Members who have subscribed to the Publication Fund for 1901 will, of course, be entitled to the next volume, which is expected to appear in the course of the year 1902. This will form the eighth volume of the Memoirs, and will be entitled, "Maryland Folk-Lore," being a collection which for several years the Baltimore Folk-Lore Society has been engaged in making, and which the same Society is now preparing for publication. It is intended to follow this, in 1903, by volume ix., in which will be published a Mexican Miracle Play, as annually performed in Mexico, edited by Prof. Frederick Starr.

The increase of membership of the Society is much to be desired; as the easiest means for accomplishing such purpose, is recommended the formation of local branches or groups for the study and collection of traditional material. It is hoped that during the current year some progress may be made in this direction.

During the year 1901 the Journal of American Folk-Lore has reached its thirteenth volume, under the editorship of Prof. A. F. Chamberlain; the policy of the Journal and its character as a repository of hitherto unpublished traditional matter, and as a guide to the study of American aboriginal and other folk-lore, has undergone no change.

The Report of the Treasurer from December 28, 1900, to December 30, 1901, is herewith presented :—

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last statement	\$1435.47
Subscriptions to Publication Fund	155.00
Sale of Memoirs through Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	145.38
Sale of Journals through Secretary	39.00
Sale of Memoirs through Secretary	23.00
Sale through Treasurer to Field Columbian Museum, Journals	29.70
Life membership, Fred. W. Lehmann	50.00
Annual fees	987.00
Postage35
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	\$2864.90

DISBURSEMENTS.

H. O. Houghton & Co., for manufacturing Journal, No. 51	\$223.05
H. O. Houghton & Co., for manufacturing Journal, No. 52	255.92
H. O. Houghton & Co., for manufacturing Journal, No. 53	208.93
H. O. Houghton & Co., for manufacturing Journal, No. 54	192.83
E. W. Wheeler, printer, Cambridge, Mass.	54.35
To local branches, E. Remick, Treasurer, Boston, Mass.	29.00
To local branches, M. L. Fernald, Cambridge, Mass.	15.00
To local branches, Mrs. A. D. McLeod, Cincinnati, Ohio	12.50
Second National Bank, New York, N. Y., collection of checks	5.00
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	\$996.58
Balance to new account, December 30, 1891	1868.32
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	\$2864.90

Note. According to a vote of the Council, an annual concession of fifty cents for each member is allowed to local societies having over twenty-five members.

No nominations for officers having been received by the Permanent Secretary, as provided by the Rules, nominations of the Council were announced, and the Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot for officers for the year 1902, as follows :—

PRESIDENT, Prof. George A. Dorsey, Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT, Dr. J. Walter Fewkes, Bureau of Ethnology, Washington, D. C.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT, Mr. James Mooney, Bureau of Ethnology, Washington, D. C.

COUNCILLORS (for three years), Prof. Livingston Farrand, Columbia University, New York, N. Y. ; Prof. Frederick Starr, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill. ; Dr. J. H. Woods, Harvard University, Boston, Mass.

The Permanent Secretary was given authority to arrange the time and place of the next Annual Meeting, in conjunction with the American Society of Naturalists and Affiliated Societies.

The business being concluded, the Society proceeded to the reading of papers on the programme, which was as follows :—

The Vintner's Bush, H. CARRINGTON BOLTON, Washington, D. C.

Notes of Cree Folk-Lore, ALEXANDER FRANCIS CHAMBERLAIN, Worcester, Mass.

Work accomplished in the study of American-Indian Folk-Lore, ALEXANDER FRANCIS CHAMBERLAIN, Worcester, Mass.

A Creole Ball Game, STEWART CULIN, Philadelphia, Pa.

Some Aspects of Maidu Mythology, ROLAND B. DIXON, Cambridge, Mass.

Notes on the Cheyenne Sun-Dance (with Stereopticon Illustrations), GEORGE A. DORSEY, Chicago, Ill.

Sun-god Personations among the Hopi, J. WALTER FEWKES, Washington, D. C.

Orenda, a Definition of Religion, J. N. B. HEWITT, Washington, D. C.

A Myth from Indian Tribes of the San Joaquin Valley, JOHN WILLS NAPIER HUDSON, Chicago, Ill.

Customs and Rites concerning the Dead among the Sauks and Foxes, WILLIAM JONES, New York, N. Y.

On the Collection of Early English-American Songs and Song-Games, WILLIAM WELLS NEWELL, Cambridge, Mass.

Exhibit of Bahos (from the Ruins of Walpi), CHARLES L. OWEN, Chicago, Ill.

Legend of Bantugan, National Hero of the Moros of Mindanao, R. S. PORTER, Chicago, Ill. (now serving in the Philippine Islands).

"Know, then, Thyself" (Presidential Address), FRANK RUSSELL, Cambridge, Mass.

Symbolism of Crow Indians, R. S. SIMMS, Chicago, Ill.

The Tastoanes, FREDERICK STARR, Chicago, Ill.

The Annual Discussion was held at Kent Theatre, Wednesday, 3 P. M. Subject, "The Relation of the American Society of Naturalists to other Scientific Societies."

The Annual Dinner took place at the Auditorium Hotel, Wednesday, 7 P. M. An Address was delivered by Prof. William T. Sedgwick, President of the American Society of Naturalists.

The Societies meeting with the American Society of Naturalists are: The American Morphological Society, The Association of American Anatomists, The American Physiological Society, The American Psychological Society, The Western Philosophical Association, The Society of American Bacteriologists, Section H, An-

thropology, of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, The American Folk-Lore Society.

A resolution was adopted expressing the thanks of the American Folk-Lore Society to the University of Chicago, the Field Columbian Museum, and the Quadrangle Club of Chicago.

Committees of the Council for 1902 are as follows : —

On Publication : Dr. Franz Boas, Prof. Frank Russell, Prof. Frederick Starr, the President and Secretary.

On Local Societies : The Presiding Officer of each Local Branch, with the President and Secretary.

On Music (continued) : Dr. Franz Boas, New York, N. Y. ; Mrs. W. R. Bullock, Baltimore, Md. ; Mrs. Otto B. Cole, Boston, Mass. ; Miss Alice C. Fletcher, Washington, D. C. ; Mr. Henry E. Krehbiel, New York, N. Y.