

by looking on the face of
the great emancipator.

Voted to adjourn the
meeting to the first Monday
evening in January 1880.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

February 2, 1880.

Present, Mellen, Lane, Paton, Jagger,
Leonard, Bulfinch, Harrington & Phillips.

Voted that the Library be
closed on the 20th and 21st inst. for the
annual examination of Books.

Voted that the Librarian be in-
structed to forward copies of our
Catalogues to the following Librarians:
Mercantile San Francisco Cal.
Cincinnati Ohio.
Brooklyn N. Y.

The Secy was instructed to
make further efforts to procure
Vol. VIII. of Special Statutes of Mass.

Elected Miss A. J. Cornins Librarian,
on the same terms and conditions
as last year.

Messrs. Bulfinch and Mellen were
appointed a Committee to consider the
matter of foul atmosphere in the Library
caused by the water-closets in the
building and the pipes and drainage
connected therewith, and to take such
steps as they may think best, to remedy the same.

To facilitate the use of the Library
in our public Schools, -

Voted, that each teacher in
our public schools above the primary
grade, be allowed to draw books
from the Library to the number of
five, to be used in the School as
aids to instruction.

No books shall be kept longer
than four weeks.

Each teacher shall be responsible
for the books, he shall draw for
School use.

The fines and penalties for
violation of these provisions, shall
be the same as in other cases.

A copy of our Catalogue and
Supplement, shall be kept in each
School building in which there are
schools benefitted by these provisions,
and such Catalogue and Supplement,
shall be in charge of the teacher
of the highest grade in the building.

Voted to adjourn to the 20th inst.
at 9 o'clock A. M. to make the
annual examination of Books,
and that the Library -

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

February 20, 1880.

The Secretary, with an assistant, com-
menced the annual examina-
tion of the Books in the Library
at 8½ A. M. The Librarian in
about 9. Mr. Paton at 10. Dr. Bulfinch at 11.

The work was completed in P. M.
and all books are accounted
for.

March 1, 1880.

Present, Leonard, Bulfinch, Paton
Jaggar, Harrington and Mellen.

Voted, that the person in
whose hands book No. 1-382 was,
when defaced by pencil marks,
be required to pay 75-cents to-
wards supplying a new copy,
and they have the injured book.

Voted that the person
who had No. 1-37 when it was torn
pay a ~~sum~~ sufficient to ~~procure~~
a new copy and keep
the old one.

Voted, that a Charging
Box be procured from the Ameri-
can Library Association, for keeping
account of books circulated &
15,000 registry slips.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

March 8, 1880.

Present, Leonard, Paton, Mellen
Bulfinch, Harrington and Phillips.

The Annual Report of the Library
Committee, as prepared by the Secre-
tary in accordance with the
provision in the by-laws, was
presented, and unanimously ap-
proved, and the Secretary instruc-
ted to have it printed, with other
town reports, as last year.

It was voted we ask the inhabitants of the Town at the Annual Meeting next month for an appropriation of \$1300 and the Log Fund for 1879 to defray the expenses of the Library and Reading Room for the ensuing year.

Messrs. Paton and Phillips were appointed a Committee, and instructed to have the back of the shelves on the first and second floor on the east side of the library, sheathed, also to have cord and pulley attached to window in North End of library (upper) so that it can be raised and lowered from the first floor.

Meeting adjourned for two weeks - 22^d inst. at 7⁴⁵ P.M.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

March 22, 1880.

Present Paton, Jagger, Leonard, Halloran, Bulfinch, Harrington and Phillips.

Voted to accept and acknowledge from J. H. B. Litchfield, for the Museum, a "Piece of the Charter Oak of Hartford Conn. Cut from the tree by a Mr. Harvey of that City, the next morning after it was blown down, Aug. - 1856."

Voted that J. H. Bowker be restored to the privileges of the Library on the payment of \$1.25, of the

fine due from him.

Also, that S. Richards be restored to the same by the payment of \$1.00 for the injury of a book while in his family!

Mess. Paton and Phillips reported that they had attended to the duties assigned to them. The Secretary was instructed to pay the bills for the work when completed.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

April 12, 1880.

The annual meeting of the Library Committee was held at the library at 7 1/2 o'clock, P. M.

Present, - Mellen, Lane, Paton, Bulfinch, Phillips, Harrington and Jagger.

The board was organized by the election, by ballot, of

Samuel M. Lane -- Chairman.

Geo. H. Mellen -- Secretary, Pro-tem.

Mr. Bulfinch moved and Mr. Paton seconded a vote of thanks to the retiring secretary, Mr. Manning Leonard, for the able manner in which he had always performed the duties of his office. Passed unanimously.

The resignation of Mr. S. P. Erwin Jr. from the committee was read and accepted.

Manning Leonard Esq. was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Bulfinch was appointed a committee to wait on Mr. Leonard and conduct him into the meeting.

Manning Leonard Esq. was then elected permanent
secretary of Committee.

Geo. H. Mellen, Secretary, Pro Tem.

Committee for 1880-81 as constituted

Three years ~	Two years ~	One year ~
J. M. Lane	G. H. Mellen	Manning Leonard
H. R. Paton	E. M. Phillips	J. J. Harrington
G. E. Bulfinch	Joseph Jagger	Wm. Halloran.

The following Special Committees
were then chosen, by nomination

E. M. Phillips	} Executive Committee
Joseph Jagger	
J. J. Harrington	

Manning Leonard	} Com. on Finance
Geo. H. Mellen	
Wm. Halloran	

Geo. H. Mellen	} Com. on Books
Wm. R. Paton	
Geo. E. Bulfinch	

J. M. Lane	} Com. on Library
E. M. Phillips	
J. J. Harrington	

Voted, that the sum of fifty dollars
be appropriated for the payment, in part,
of the cost of taking care of the Museum,
the Library rooms, and the entrances to the
same, for one year from March 1, 1880,
to March 1, 1881, to be expended under
the direction of the Librarian.

Voted, that a list of books reported by the Librarian as too much worn for further circulation, be procured by the Secretary to replace the same.

Voted to adjourn the meeting two weeks, to April 26th at 8 o'clock P. M.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

April 26, 1880.

Present, Lane, Paton, Leonard, Jagger, Phillips and Bulfinch.

Lincoln Impeachment
Four tickets for admission to U. S. Senate on the Impeachment of the President Andrew Johnson dated April & May 1868, were presented to the Museum by J. F. B. Litchfield.

It was voted to accept and acknowledge them.

A list of Books was presented by the Book Committee, approved and ordered to be procured.

Voted to adjourn to the first Monday evening in June at 8 o'clock.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

June 7, 1880.

Present, Lane, Phillips, Mellen, Bulfinch, Leonard, Harrington and Jaggars.

A list of books was presented by the Book Committee, which was approved, and it was voted that they be purchased.

The meeting was adjourned to the first Monday in July at 8 o'clock P.M.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

August 2, 1880.

Present, Lane, Leonard, Harrington, Bulfinch, and Jaggars.

Voted to accept with thanks from Mr. E. H. Annidown a Subscription for the Commercial Bulletin for another year, also from Hon. W. H. Rice and Chas. L. Flint valuable Public Documents.

Voted that J. J. Harrington be authorized and instructed to procure a Stock of Coal for the use of the Library the coming winter.

Mr. Holmes Annidown presented to the Committee, in person, a plan for the enlargement and alteration of the Library.

Voted to adjourn one week.

Manning Leonard
Secy.

August 9, 1880.

Present, Lane, Paton, Leonard, Jagger,
and Harrington.

Voted to accept with thanks,
from Mr. Holmes Ammidown,
the History of Groton, and the
History of Grafton, also three
pamphlets.

also voted, that two
weeks notice be required of the
loss of a card, before a new one
is furnished by the Librarian.

Adjourned to the first Mon-
day evening - 6th September at
8 o'clock.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

September 6, 1880.

Present, Lane, Leonard, Paton,
Harrington, Mellen, Jagger, Bulfinch
and Phillips.

An instrument, or writing recd
from Mr. Holmes Ammidown, by
which an old clock is to be placed
in the Library on the decease of
Mrs. Mary Mynott, was considered,
and it was voted that the
same be acknowledged.

It was voted to accept with
thanks from Herbert L. Grant, a
large collection of birds eggs
for the Museum.

A list of books was presented by the Book Committee which was accepted and the books ordered to be procured.

It was voted to procure from Mr. Geo. M. Whitaker the Nos of the Hist. Magazine, to complete our set.

Voted to adjourn to the first Monday evening in Oct. (4th) at 7 1/2 o'clock.

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

December 6, 1880.

Present, Phillips, Leonard, Harrington, Jagger, Bulfinch and Melles.

Voted, that we continue for the coming year, the papers and periodicals now taken for the Reading Room, and that the Secretary subscribe for the Southbridge Journal for 1881, also the N.Y. Semi-Weekly Tribune at club rate, also the Windham County Transcript, if the publisher will furnish it at one half rate, also the Historical Magazine.

Voted, that a full set of Iron Steps, like sample, be procured, to enable the Librarian and assistants to reach the books on upper shelves.

Voted, to have the Patent Office Reports bound, when books & periodicals are sent to be bound.

Voted, that the Librarian send Catalogue and Supplement to the Providence Public Library and the Turner Free Library Randolph Mass, in exchange.

Voted, that S. M. Lane and Dr. Bulfinch be a Committee to confer with the Librarian in regard to classifying and Cataloging the Pamphlets in the Library, and that they be authorized to adopt such measures as they deem best, in regard to having the work done, procuring Cases, and drawers for the Cards &c.

Meeting dissolved

Manning Leonard
Secretary.

February 7, 1881.

Present Lane, Paton, Leonard, Harrington and Bulfinch.

Voted, that the Librarian be authorized to procure a full set of the Patent Office Reports, to pay for those that cannot be obtained otherwise.

Voted that the Library be closed on the 21st and 22^d insts for the annual ex-circulation of Books.