

At the invitation of Mr. William H. Harrison the following gentlemen met at Hotel Latham in the city of Hopkinsville, on Friday night, April 18th, 1902, for the purpose of organizing a literary society, Messrs ~~W.H.~~ William H. Harrison, Edmund Harrison, Clifton Long, T.C. Underwood, E.B. Bassett, Ira L. Smith, and John Stites, and Drs. Manning Brown and F. M. Stites.

At the conclusion of refreshments the house was called to order, and the object of the meeting stated by Mr. William Harrison, whereupon Mr. William Harrison was chosen Temporary ^{Chairman} ~~President~~, and John Stites Temporary Secretary upon the motion of Mr. Bassett.

Dr. F.M. Stites moved that the society proceed to adopt a name, said name to be selected, provided it met with the unanimous consent of the society- Mr. Clifton Long seconded the motion, and it unanimously carried.

On the motion of Mr. Bassett seconded by Mr. Smith the members proceeded to suggest names and vote on same.

THE REVIEWERS; THE QUERY CLUB; and THE LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC CLUB were suggested, but as unanimous consent could not be obtained, after much discussion, upon the motion of Mr. Bassett, seconded by Mr. Underwood the selection of a name was postponed until Monday afternoon, April

21st, 1902, at 4 o'clock, at which time a committee composed of all gentlemen present should meet at the office of Dr. F. M. Stites' for the purpose of selecting a name and adopting suitable by-laws.

On the motion of Mr. Edmund Harrison, seconded by Mr. Smith the following offices were created for the society- A President; Vice President; and Secretary- Treasurer.

The election of permanent officers was then taken up, and on the motion of Dr. Stites, seconded by Mr. Bassett Mr. William Harrison was nominated for president and there being no other nominations he was unanimously chosen.

Mr. Jhos Underwood was nominated for the office of Vice President by Dr. Stites; and Dr. F. ~~W~~ Stites was nominated for Vice President by Mr. Bassett, the nomination of Dr. Stites was withdrawn, and Mr, Underwood was unanimously chosen.

John Stites was nominated for Secretary-Treasurer by Mr. E. B. Bassett, and there being no further nominations he was elected to the office.

On the motion of Mr. Edmund Harrison, seconded by Mr. Underwood the officers of the society were selected as the programme committee for the ensuing three ~~or~~

Upon the motion of Mr. Underwood seconded by Mr. Stites it was agreed that the society should meet on the first Thursday in each month.

months- Dr. Stites proposed as an amendment that the officers should serve for a period of one year- the amendment lost, and the motion as originally offered carried.

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Upon the motion of Mr. Smith duly seconded by Mr. Brown the initiation fee was placed at \$1.00.

Upon the motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Underwood, the following gentlemen, who were absent ~~from the meeting~~ ^{from the meeting} were admitted to the society as charter members, having previously given the movement their hearty co-operation and expressed their desire to be members.-- W.T.Tandy, C.M Meacham, L. McCartney, F.P. Thomas, ,E.H. Barker,, A.W.Wood, A.P.Crockett, , John Feland, and J.T.Hanbery.

On the motion of Mr. Clifton Long the society thanked Mr. William Harrison for his hospitality and adjourned.

*W. H. Harrison
Pres.*

*John Stites
Secy - Treas.*