

A meeting was held at the Rooms of the American Education Society, number 15 Cornhill, Boston, November 29th. 1839. for the purpose of considering the expediency of forming a Statistical Society. The following persons were present: The Hon. Richard Fletcher, Rev. W^m. Cogswell D.D. Oliver W. B. Peabody Esq. Register of Probate, John S. Fisher M.D. and Emuel Shattuck Esq.

The meeting was organized by the choice of The Hon. Richard Fletcher as chairman; and Emuel Shattuck Esq as secretary.

The objects, for which the meeting was called, were then stated and discussed, and the opinions of the several gentlemen present freely exchanged on the advantages, which would result from the formation of such an association, and on the expediency of forming one, (when) There ~~of~~

On motion of the Rev D^r Cogswell

Resolved - That it is expedient to form a Society to be called the "American Statistical Society."

On Motion of W. Shattuck

Voted Resolved - That a committee of five be appointed to prepare a constitution for the government of said Society to be submitted at an adjourned meeting; and that all the gentlemen present constitute said Committee.

Voted - That this meeting be now adjourned to Wednesday evening December 11th. at 7 o'clock P.M. to meet at this place.

Attest Emuel Shattuck. Secretary.

Boston Dec. 11. 1838. - The meeting was held this evening according to adjournment. All the gentlemen present at the last meeting were present at this excepting the Hon. Richard Fletcher from whom a letter was rec^d stating that he was unavoidably absent.

The Chair was taken by Oliver W. B. Peabody Esq.

The Rev. D. Cogswell from the Committee chosen at the last meeting reported the following ^{draft of a} constitution: -

[Here read the constitution]

The several articles were deliberately discussed when on motion of Shattuck

Voted - That we form ourselves into a Society and adopt this Constitution; and that all who approve and sign this Constitution, previous to the organization of the Society by the choice of Officers, shall be considered as original members.

Voted - That the meeting be now adjourned to ^L Wednesday coming next at 7 o'clock.

Attest Samuel Shattuck

Secretary.

Boston Dec: 18. 1839. The meeting was held according to adjournment. - Present Hon. Richard Fletcher, chairman, Henry Lee Esq. Rev. Joseph B. Felt, Rev. D. Cogswell, O. W. B. Peabody Esq. John P. Bigelow Secretary of the Commonwealth. Hon. Horace Mann Secretary of the Board of Education, Dr. John D. Fisher, Dr. Samuel G. Howe, Dr. Saddle Chickering, and the Secretary.

Resolved, That we now proceed to the organization of the Society by the choice of officers.

voted, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to select and nominate a list of officers for the government of the Society, and Rev. D. Cogswell, W. Bigelow, and D. Fisher were appointed said Committee.

This committee reported a list of persons for officers in part.

voted To proceed to the choice of officers. D. Fisher

D. Fisher was appointed a committee to collect the votes, and the following individuals were chosen to their respective offices. -

Hon. Richard Fletcher, President.

Henry Lee Esq.

Madison Sumner Esq.

} Vice Presidents.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt, Recording Secretary

Emuel Shattuck Esq. Home Secretary.

Joseph E. Worcester Esq. Foreign Secretary.

Rev. Wm Cogswell D.D.

Ebenezer Alden M.D.

Oliver W. B. Peabody Esq.

John P. Bigelow Esq.

Hon. Horace Mann

John D. Fisher M.D.

Professor B. B. Edwards

Samuel S. Ansel M.D.

Lebbeu Chickerling M.D.

Counsellors.

The President, the Rev. D. Cogswell, and Henry Lee Esq. then severally made statements respecting the important advantages which would result from statistical investigations.

The Society then adjourned to Wednesday evening January 8th at 7 o'clock to meet at this place.

Emuel Shattuck
Secretary pro tempore.

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January 8. 1840. WED

Proceedings of the American
Anti-Slavery Society.

A meeting of the Society was held this evening according to adjournment. Present - The President and the following other members - Bradford Sumner Esq., Rev. D. Cogswell, Dr. Fisher, D. Chickering, Mr. Peabody, D. Webb, Samuel W. Shattuck, Mr. Felt, and Mr. Simonds. -

Voted That an application be made to the Legislature for an act of incorporation, ~~and~~ and that said application be signed by all the present members of the Society.

Voted That a committee of three be appointed to prepare a draft of a petition, and also of an act of incorporation, and Messrs. Fletcher Sumner, Peabody, & Shattuck were appointed said Committee.

Felt Secy

Adjourned.

Samuel Shattuck
Secretary

Constitution
of the
American Statistical Association. Society.

Article I. This Society shall be denominated
The American Statistical Society.

Art. II. The objects of the Society shall be
to collect, preserve, & diffuse statistical in-
formation in the different departments of human
knowledge.

Art. III. The Society shall be composed of Fellows,
Corresponding Members, Honorary Members, &
Foreign Members.

Art. IV. The Fellows shall be chosen by bal-
lot, - having been ^{previously} nominated ~~previously~~ by the
Board of Directors - the affirmative votes of
four fifths of those ^{Fellows} present being necessary
to a choice; & no balloting shall take place
unless ten Fellows be present. Corresponding,
Honorary, & Foreign Members shall be nomi-
nated & elected, in the same manner. Each
Fellow on admission to the Society shall pay
into the treasury five Dollars, & annually
afterwards, two Dollars, or, thirty Dollars at
some one time.

Art. V. Fellows only shall be entitled to vote,
but Corresponding, Honorary & Foreign Mem-

bers shall have the right to sit & deliberate,
in all the meetings of the Society.

44 Art. VI. The Officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Home Secretary & a Foreign Secretary, a Treasurer, a Librarian, and nine Councillors who together with the President & Secretaries shall form a Board of Directors for the government of the Institution, five of whom shall constitute a quorum at any meeting regularly convened. There shall be also a Publishing Committee of five, to be chosen annually by the Board of Directors at the time they shall appoint.

Art. VII. The Society shall meet annually in the City of Boston on the first Wednesday in February, to hear the Report of the Board of Directors, and of the Treasurer, and of the Librarian, to elect Officers, & to transact other necessary business; and at such other times as the Board of Directors shall appoint. Ten Fellows shall be necessary to form a quorum for transacting business, but a less number may adjourn a meeting.

Art. VIII. By-laws for the more particular government of the Society, not contravening the

Constitution, shall be made ~~made~~ by the Board of Directors.

Art. IX. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made, except on recommendation of the Board of Directors, and by a vote of three fourths of the Fellows present at an Annual Meeting.

Richard Fletcher
William Cagwell,

Olivier W. Peabody

Emul Shattuck.

John Fisher,

B. B. Edwards.

Ebenezer Alden.

Bradford Sumner

J. E. Worcester

Joseph B. Felt.

Samuel G. Howe.

John P. Bigelow

H. Lill

Jesse Chickering

Horace Mann

Geo. C. Shattuck

Thomas H. Webb

William Lincoln

Henry Colman

Artemas Simonds

Robert Rantoul, Jr.

C. Francis Adams.

Wm. A. Davis

Benjamin Peirce

Don Peabody

Constitution
A. S. S.

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Boston Feb. 5. 1840.

The Annual meeting of the ^{Ameyian} Statistical Association was held at this room No 10 Joy's Building at 7 ^{this evening} ~~at~~ P.M. Present the President and thirteen other members - to wit Rev. D. Cogswell Professor Trask, George C. Shattuck, ~~and~~ D. Chickering, Thomas A. Davis, Professor Pierce, O. W. V. Pandy Esq. Rev. J. B. Felt, D. Alden, W. J. E. Worcester, D. Webb, W. Simonds, ~~and~~ ~~Shattuck~~

The meeting was opened by an address from the President in which he ~~stated~~ gave an account of the formation and objects of the Society, of what had already been done, and what it proposed to do, and of the great importance of associated effort to render the labours of the society ~~more~~ of the greater benefit to the public. - ~~There was~~

Voted by the recommendation of the Board of Directors that the Name of the Society be altered from that of the American Statistical Society to that of the American Statistical Association

Voted

To proceed to the choice of officers. -
A letter was read from the Hon. Henry Lee Esq. ~~proposing~~ the ~~office of~~ Vice President
Rev. D. Cogswell and Mr. Peabody were appointed a Committee to propose a list of officers and to distribute and collect the votes for the same

The following individuals were chosen to these respective offices. -

See Lee's letter
The Board of Directors by Mr. W. Cogswell their Chairman recommended the following individuals for ^{fellows} ~~members~~ Honorary members and corresponding members, and they were severally chosen the meeting ~~by~~ ~~these~~ ~~individuals~~. -

Richard Fletcher

~~George C. Shattuck~~
~~Henry [unclear]~~

Bradford Sumner } W. Pres.

George C. Shattuck

N. B. Felt } Rec Secy

Samuel Shattuck } No. Secy.

L. G. Worcester } Treas.

Thomas A. Davis } Secy

Samuel Shattuck } Secy

Wm Cogswell

~~Samuel Alden~~

O. W. B. Peabody

J. P. Angell

Harold Mann

J. D. Fisher

B. B. Edwards

~~J. B. [unclear]~~ Samuel Dorr

Leffe Chickling

Samuel Dorr

Robert Trudwell

} Council

Chauncey Street,

Boston,.....185...

Sir:

The American Statistical Association have
elected you a Member. They hope that this will meet
your approbation.

Very Respectfully Yours,

Joseph B. Fell,

Recording Secretary.

Salem Mass. 1840

My dear sir,

I had the honour of receiving from you, today, the notice of my being elected a fellow of the American Statistical Association. I feel very grateful for the honour conferred upon me, but am quite sure it is my duty, respectfully to decline accepting it. I know that I shall not find time to devote to the objects of the association, nor to attend to its meetings, although, if I were not so engrossed with the active duties of my profession, nothing would afford me more pleasure. I am satisfied that our literary & scientific institutions, already languish by being left in the hands of men who do not find time & opportunity to attend to their interests. Nothing but the zealous application of time and labor will be worth anything in forwarding the most excellent & praiseworthy objects of your Association, and, these I am confident I cannot proffer you. Under these circumstances I must reluctantly ask of you, my dear sir, "to have me excused".

with great respect

Yr. Obedient

Chas. Peirson.

Mr. Felt.

Letter from Abel L. Pier-
son M.D. of Salem.
Rec^d March 10th 1840



Boston.

Rev. Joseph B. Salt



Boston. March 8th - 40

Sir

I received last evening a notice that I
had been elected a member of the "Statistical Society"
and beg leave respectfully to decline being considered a
member -

Yours

D. Humphreys Stone

Letter from D. H. Storer
M.D. - of Boston
rec'd March 10 - '840

Rev^d Joseph B Felt.
Boston

Boston March 9 1840

Dear Sir,

I received your letter enclosing the rules of the American Statistical Association. = I notice that the 8th article provides that each Fellow shall at least once a year prepare an article upon the subjects of Statistics. Although I am aware of its importance to all correct and valuable information upon many great and interesting inquiries connected with it, still it is disconnected from my habitual studies & engagements, and I should not feel that I could with convenience to myself or usefulness to the Society assume the duties which would be expected of it. = My brother J. Heywood Bowditch as member of the American Academy has prepared tables of mortality & published in their transactions, and from that circumstance it is not impossible that the similarity of our names may have led to my election when he was the one thought of.

I remain,

Yours respectfully
N. J. Bowditch

Letter from N. S. Bow-
ditch Esq. of Boston
recd March 10 - 1840

Rev Joseph B. Felt.

Boston.



New York, March 13th, 1840.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Rev. Secy. A. S. A. —
Dear Sir,

Your favor of 7th inst. inform^{ing}
me of my election as a Fellow of the "American
Statistical Association," has been duly received.

I hasten to acknowledge the honor ~~to~~ conferred
upon me, and to express my earnest desire
to co-operate, so far as may lie in my power,
with the other Fellows of the Association in pro-
moting the important objects for which it has
been instituted. Please to command my
services in any way in which I can be useful.

I remain with great respect

Your obed^t serv^t &c

Jos. Folsom.

George Tolson Esq
of N. Y.
March 19

rec
1840

~~Rev. Joseph D. Bell,
Boston, Mass.~~

Washington March 16- 1840

Dear Sir

I have had the honor to receive
favor of the 12th. I am much gratified that
a Statistical Association has been formed as
we greatly need the aid of better information
of all kinds in this Department - The deficiency
here is woeful and on the most important
subjects we are compelled to feel our way
along by conjecture - I have no doubt the
association may be of great public service
and I will cheerfully do all in my power
to promote the general objects of I under-
stand them not having yet had an op-
portunity to look over the constitution

With Great Respect I
have the honor to be
Yours and the associations
Oblt Servt J Davis

Hon. John Davis
rec^d March 23 1840

New Haven March 17. 1840

To Jos. B. Felt Esqr

Recording Secretary of the American
Statistical Association

Sir

You will be so good as to communicate to the Society of which you are the official representative, my respectful acknowledgments, for the gratifying mark of their confidence in placing my name upon their list of honorary members.

I fully appreciate the value of their object & wish it were in my power to do something for its promotion

Occasional notices of their proceedings and results may perhaps (in a condensed form) find an advantageous channel of communication to the public through the pages of the American Journal in the intervals of their own publications.

I remain respectfully yours &
their very obedient

B. Lilliman.

Prof. B. Silliman rec^d
March 20 - 1840 - $\frac{12\frac{1}{2}}{2}$
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[Handwritten signature]



Joseph B. Felt Esqr
Secy Sec of Am. States^l
Association
Boston



New York, March 17th 1840.

Dear Sir,

I am greatly obliged to the American Statistical Association, for the election mentioned in your letter of the 12th inst. and very cheerfully assent to the use made by them of my name in the list of members. As a slight contribution towards the objects of the Association, I take the liberty to send a copy of a Discourse delivered by me some years since, in the notes to which some statistical details concerning the progress of education in this State, will be

found. They will perhaps show, that
I have some fondness for such
researches & memorials as your
association is designed to promote,
but I regret, that of late I
have ^{had} little opportunity for
gratifying this disposition.

Wishing you great suc-
-cess in your laudable efforts,
I am with much respect for
your associates & yourself,
Your obt. servt.

S. J. P. Tuttle.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,

Reading Secy. &c &c

Hon B. F. Butler
recd March 19 - 1840

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Rev. Joseph B. Felt,



Boston -

Mass. -

Washington, 17th. March 1840.

Sir,

Your of the 12th. inst., communicating my election as an Honorary Member of the American Statistical Association, has been received with high gratification - The object of the Society has my cordial approval - As opportunity may offer I will be happy to cooperate in its labours -

With much respect.

Your Obedt. Servt.

Levi Woodbury

Joseph B. Felt Esq.

Rec. Secy
of Am. St. As.

P.S. Any public documents, you may wish to designate, I will obtain for you, if in my power.

Boston:
(Mass.)

Hon. Levi Wood-
bury - rec. Maule
23 / 1840



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Levi Woodbury

Joseph B. Felt Esq.

Sec. Secty. of Am. St. Ass.

- Boston
Mass.

Keene N.H. 18th March 1840.

To the Reverend Joseph B. Felt, Recording Secretary of the "American Statistical Association,"

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 12th inst. was duly received; & a few days afterward the pamphlet came to hand, giving an account of the Constitution, By-laws &c of the Amer. Stat^e Association, for both of which accept my grateful acknowledgments; & present them also to those gentlemen who entertained so good an opinion of me as seems to be expressed in electing me an Honorary Member of their Association.

While I make no pretensions to ability, to further the objects of the Association, I shall feel it both an honour & a pleasure, so far as my health & an exceedingly laborious profession will permit, to justify the confidence which the respectable gentlemen of your Association have reposed in me.

With sentiments of great respect,
your obt^d Serv^t

L. S. Burdett

15 Warren St

To the Reverend Joseph B Fell
Recording Secretary of the American
Statistical Association

Mr. Blake Boston Ms

For L. A. Board
rec. Apr 1 - 1870

Goshen, Ct. March 18th. 1840.

Dear Sir,

By the last Mail I received notice under your hand, 12th Inst, of my election to membership of your newly constituted Institution, the American Statistical Association. I was never more highly gratified by the receipt of a letter. I felt myself at once re-associated with Friends of my youth - your Honorable President, your Foreign Secretary - Joseph E. Worcester Esqr. and your first Counsellor - Rev. William Cogswell, D. D. I have only to regret my incompetency to sustain a worthy part in this noble Institution. I have always felt more than ordinary interest, perhaps, in the early history of our Country, and for the last sixteen years, have devoted what time I could spare aside from the immediate duties of my profession, to "gather up the fragments," that nothing should be lost in this respect. Still I have done but little. My means and circumstances have not contributed to this object so much as those of most of my Brethren by Profession might have done. My health has been much of the time infirm, and I have lived remote from the centre of action with those who felt a kindred spirit on this subject. I have two Centennial Addresses in print, one delivered at Hollis N. H. in 1830; the other delivered in this place in 1838. The latter is much more labored and extensive in statistics - 68 pages. I now have a work just gone to the press, which will consist of three or four hundred pages, Ontario, containing Sketches of the discovery, settlement, and progress of those settlements, in the Coas Country and vicinity, principally included between the years 1754 and 1785. These several productions I will send you, if God permits, as soon as my last comes from the Press. I know they are not just what you desire, but may not be useless. It is somewhat singular that I should have contemplated with solicitude for years the apathy of this nation in regard to their early history, as so few seemed to realize the importance of it to the future Historian and our descendants; and now within the last year, my mind

has been turned to the necessity of present Statistics to enable us to fix a stake from which we may measure our future progress in Science, Literature, Agriculture, the Arts, and manners and customs of the people - And behold! within the last year a Historical Society has been Instituted and chartered in this State, of which I was made a member in November last, and now comes the desideratum that was realized - the Statistical Society; they both make up the Evening and Morning Star of my hopes on this subject. If my life and health should be given me, I will strive to make my annual contribution of a mite, but my health is at present precarious. My Physicians express fears of Angina Pectoris, and we all know the probable termination of this. Yet, I preach every Sabbath, have the sole superintendance of all the Schools and Teachers in town, and have rewritten my history since last October, besides all ordinary correspondence. And had my family the means of subsistence, I should like to devote the remainder of my life in getting ^{er} facts of Early History and Statistics.

I feel honored, Sir, by the vote of your Society, and through you, return my cordial thanks.

Respectfully Yours -

Grant Powers.

Pres. J. B. Fell. R. S.

Rev. Grant Powers
rec^d March 20 - 1840

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Rev. J. B. Felt.

R. Sec. A. S. U.

Boston - Mass.

Rutland March 18 1840

Dear Sir

I received yours of the 12th inst. notifying
me of my election as an Honorary Member of the
American Statistical Association - I very much ap-
=preciate the objects of the society & shall be very happy
to contribute in any way, I can to promote the
objects for which they are associated You will
be pleased to return my thanks to the society
for this mark of their favor & accept for yourself
the assurances of my high consideration

Very respectfully,

Yours etc etc

Ch. K. Williams

~~Rev. Saml. Felt~~ for B. Felt

Boston



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Rev^d Joseph B Felt

Boston
Mass

Recd from J. Williams
New York 23, 1840

Washington City
March 18/40

Sir

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt
of your kind favor of the
12 inst communicating
the gratifying information
of an election as member
of the American Statistical
Association - an association
for which I shall delight
to cherish the friendliest
feelings and aid in supporting
any pursuit.

accept for yourself
personally the assurance
of best wishes

Yours Respectfully
M L M Smith
Joseph P. Totten

Pres. Secy
Amer. Sta. Assn.
Boston
ms/s

to Mr. Henry L. South
rec^d March 23 1840

Washington 23rd March 1846

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, conveying the intelligence that the American Statistical Association, have elected me an honorary member of their Body. I am highly gratified with this proof of their kind disposition, and though without leisure or capacity to co-operate in their useful and honorable pursuits, feel deeply interested in their success.

Be pleased to communicate the Association my grateful sense of the honor they have conferred on me.

I am with the highest respect

Sir Your Obedt. Servant

M. Peckham

Joseph B. Hill Esq.

Esq.

Boston

Wm J. K. Paulding
rec^d March 30, 1840



W Paulding



Joseph B. Holt Esq.

Recording Secretary of the
American Historical Association

Portland.

Epping (N. H.) March 24. 1840.

Sir,

Four days after its date, I received your polite letter of the 12th instants informing me of my election as an Honorary Member of the "American Statistical Association; accompanied with a copy of the Constitution, By-laws, and an Address. For this mark of respect be pleased to accept my grateful acknowledgement. I accept the appointments.

But a previous undertaking, and advanced age, now near my eighty first year, will prevent my compiling and communicating Statistical Essays to the Society. I have devoted about seven of the last years of my life, as far as health permitted, to collecting material, and writing the biography of distinguished Americans. Tho I have made considerable progress, and have several volumes transcribed for the press - yet I have much I wish to write. - It will of course be a posthumous work.

The business of one of my sons, will require their attention in Boston the next month, when I intend to send a small donation to the Treasurer.

If the Society, when they print a catalogue of their library, will send me a copy of it, I will hereafter

transmit

transmit to the Librarian a few volumes of my books,
if I have any in my library that I can spare, and which
will be useful to the Association.

I am respectfully, Sir, your obedient servant.

William Plumer

Rev Joseph W. Felt,

Recording Secretary of the American Statistical
Association

Boston Ms

Gov Wm Plummer
recd March 26 - 1840

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Rev Joseph B. Felt,
Recording Secretary of the American
Statistical Association,
Boston,
Ms.

Utica March 25th 1840

Rec^d Joseph B. Felt,
Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 12th Inst, informing that the Directors of the "American Statistical Association", lately formed at Boston, have elected me one of its honorary members. Be pleased to inform them of my acceptance of the appointment, & to express to them the high sense & entertainments of this flattering mark of their attention.

I have long wished the formation of such an Association in this country, & I shall take much pleasure, in affording it such aid, as my retired life and advanced age will permit.

I beg the Directors to accept for the use of the Association, a copy of my last editions of "The Statistics of the United States," & you will oblige me, by accepting a like copy, for your own use. They will be delivered you by Messrs. Frothingham & Brewster, bookbinders Boston.

I have the honor to be, with the sentiments of respect, your obed^t servant
J. B. Felt

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Mr Timothy Pitkin's
letter rec'd March 31 -
1840



Mr Joseph B. Holt
Accounting Secretary of
St. Christopher

Boston

Wells ^{the} "

Brookline, 26 March, 1840.

Dear Sir,

Your note of the 12th instant informing me of my election, as an honorary member of the "American Statistical Association" was duly received. I hereby signify my acceptance of the appointment, my warm approbation of the objects of the Institution, and my purpose to promote them, should I have ability and opportunity.

I am, dear Sir, yours with great regard,

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Secretary of the
American Statistical Association.

John Pierce.

Rev John Pierce D.D.
rec March 25, 1840

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Secretary of the
American Statistical Association,
Boston.

Charlottesville, March 28. 1840.

Sir

Some days ago, I received a letter from you, informing me of my election as a corresponding member of the American Statistical Association.

I pray you, sir, to assure that body of my high sense of the honor which their appointment has done me; & to assure them further, that while I have no great hope of contributing much towards their future stores of valuable knowledge, I shall yet omit no opportunity of furnishing what I can.

At the same time with your letter, I received a copy of the Constitution, By-laws, &c. of the Association: for which also, be pleased to accept my thanks.

Very respectfully

your obedient servant

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,

Recording Secretary of the

American Statistical Association.

Lucian Minor

Lucien Minor Esq of Va
recd Sept 3, 1840



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Rev. Joseph B. Felt

Boston

Mass.

Philadelphia, March 30th 1840,

To the Pres.^r of the
American Statistical Association.

Sir.

I have rec^d. a communication from your Recording Secretary, informing me of my election as a Corresponding Member of your Association, to the members of which I tender, through you, my best thanks for the Compliment. Approving most highly of your objects and well aware of the present and future advantages to be derived from your investigations and records, it will give me great pleasure to cooperate with your Association, should leisure and opportunities permit.

Very Respectfully,

Yours,

G. Emerson

Hon. R. Fletcher, Pres.^r &c.

P.S. The copy of Constitution and By-laws etc?

Philadelphia, March 20 1890

Dr. Wm. J. ...
American ...

Dear Sir

I have rec'd a communication
from your Secretary, informing
me of my election as a corresponding member of
your Association, to the members of which I
belong, though you say that thanks for the con-
gratulation. Hoping most truly of your kind
and well aware of the present and future value
to be derived from your investigations, and
wishing it will give me great pleasure to co-
operate with your Association, should I receive
any further information.

Very respectfully,
Yours,
J. B. ...
No. 12 ...

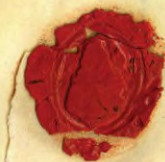
Gouverneur Emerson M.D.
rec^d Apr^l 8 - 1840

Hon. Rich^d Fletcher

Pres^t of Am^{er} Stat^{es} Associat^{ion}

Boston -

Polit^{ical} &
W^{ar} Affairs



Boston, March 28, 1846.

Dear Sir,

I have received your notification of my election
as an honorary member of the Am^r Statistical Society,
and have to reply that it gives me great pleasure to accept
it.

Yours respectfully,

W. W. Thayer.

Rev D. D. Fell

Sely.

B. B. Thatcher Esq^r
rec^d Apr 1 - 1840

New. S. B. Felt
Boston.

City of Jefferson Mo.
April 1st 1840

Rev,
Joseph B. Feet.
Rec. Sec. A. S. A. 3

Dear Sir,

I take great pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of your favor of the 13th ult., and in signifying to you my acceptance of the membership with which I have been honored by the Association. You may rest assured that I shall contribute as far as the infant resources of this State, or my means of information extend, to the furtherance of the objects of the institution.

I am Sir with sentiments
of high respect
Yours obt. S^t
J. A. Minor

James L. Minor Esq
recd Apr 16 - 1840



Paid
Paid D. J.

Rev. Jos. W. B. Felt
Sec. a. s. a.
Boston
Mass.

Rev J. B. Felt Recording
Secretary of the Am. Statistical Assocn. Worcester April 4 1840

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 7th ult
communicating the intelligence that I had
been honored with an election as a Fellow of
the American Statistical Association was
dearly read.

I have hesitated in replying
because I am apprehensive that I may
not be able to perform my duties to the
association on account of my other en-
gagements. As I approve however most
cordially of the object & design of the
association, and as I hope by reasonable
diligence to do something as a member
I have concluded to accept the honor of
becoming a Fellow.

I enclose five dollars which you will
please to pay to my credit as an admission
fee.

Very respectfully yours
Emory Washburn

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Rev Joseph B. Felt

Dartmouth
Mass

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Secretary of the American
Statistical Association -

Boston, April 20, 1840.

Sir,

I have received your official letter informing me of my being elected a member of the American Statistical Association - an honor which I accept with much satisfaction, though, I fear, it will hardly be in my power to render any services to the Association.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
yours
Jno Pickering

Wm John Pickering
recd Apr 20 - 1848

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Secretary of the
American Statistical
Association
(at the State House) Boston

Keene N.H. April 20 1840

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Secy. American Statistical Association.

Sir. Your favor of March
12, informing me that the Association had
elected me an honorary member, was
received here during my absence.

Be pleased to make known to the
Association my acceptance of the membership,
and my acknowledgments for the honor thereby
conferred. The objects of the Association have
my entire approval, and I shall take great
pleasure in witnessing its success; but I fear
that the aid I shall be able to render will
not be very efficient.

With great respect,
Your Obedt. Servt

Joel Parker

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Hon. Joel Parker
rec. Apr 22 1840



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Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Rec. Secy. Amer. Statistical Assn.

Boston
Mass.

No. 28

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of 29th ult. announcing my election as corresponding member of the American Statistical Association, an honor for which I pray you to offer the Society my thanks, and to assure them that it will afford me great pleasure to contribute, as far as may be in my power, to the accomplishment of the objects for which they have associated themselves.

Although but little given to the collection of Statistics, few persons are more accustomed to use them & few have felt more than myself the beauty of accurate information. I have recently been engaged in some investigations into the movements of the population of various countries, with a view to show the inconsistency of the doctrine of Malthus, the fallacy of other Statisticians of population is necessarily attended with a diminution in the facility of obtaining food, the consequent of which is poverty, disease & death, and that the tendency thereto is in the ratio of the growth of population — and to prove, on the contrary, that the duration of life is great and the physical & moral condition high in precisely that ratio — the exact reverse of the Malthusian doctrine. This has, of course, involved a necessity for showing that the duration of life in this country ~~is~~ greater than in any part of Europe, which I have long been disposed to believe was the case, and which I think I have now established beyond the possibility of question. You can readily imagine that I should

a considerable deficiency of materials, and that accurate
return of the population of last century, divided into ages, would
have been invaluable. In many cases I have frequently been
compelled to substitute estimates based upon the best
information that could be obtained & that, I imagine,
will be found nearly as accurate as much that is even
now published as correct statistics.

By the post of yesterday I will forward to you
your books, Messrs Marsh, Capen & Lyon, copies of several
works that I have published, as a contribution to your library.
The concluding volume of the large work, embracing the Law
of Population, and an Inquiry into the causes which retard
improvement in the political condition of man, is printed
and shall be sent as soon as published.

Remain, Dear Sir

Yours very respectfully

Henry B. Jacey

Phila May 4. 1840

Rev. J. B. Felt

Secretary A. S. Methodist Episcopal Church

To. C. Carey Esq
rec'd May 7-1840



J. B. Felt

Rev. J. B. Felt

Secretary of Am. Statistical Association

Boston.



Troy N.Y.

April 25. 1840

Dr. Sir

Your communication of the 12th Ult^o informing me, that I had been elected an Honorary Member of the American Statistical Association, recently formed in the City of Boston, has been duly received.

Permit me to add, that this favourable notice of your Association is gratefully received, and that the objects of the Society receive my hearty approval. The development of our national resources together with a knowledge of the growing opportunities, which all classes of society, in all parts of this Country enjoy over all other world inspire confidence in & afford a guarantee of the permanency of our happy form of government. - And I doubt not, that a periodical would be favourably received and liberally patronized, which should embody facts & discuss topics relating to the state of Society in this & other countries - the condition, in-

-crease & decrease of the population - economy -
longevity - geographical & political changes -
and such other interesting matters as would
come within the scope of the Society - as there
is no such publication in this Country and
as a diffusion of knowledge on such subjects
would be highly useful

With my best respects to yourself &
your associates, I am very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt

J. M. Coriuh

Rev. Jas. B. Fitt
City, N. H.

Boston Ms.

From Isaac M. Bonhuc
recd Apr 29 - 1840

Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of New York. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same has been sold to you for the sum of \$1000.00. I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of the deed of purchase and a receipt for the same. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same has been sold to you for the sum of \$1000.00. I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of the deed of purchase and a receipt for the same.

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Middleborough, May 7, 1840

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,

Secy. of Am. Statist. Assocⁿ.

Dear Sir,

Your official letter, informing me of my election as an Hon. member of your Association, and accompanied by a copy of the Constitution, By-Laws, &c. was duly received.

Permit me to express to you, & through you to the Association, the high sense I have of the honor they have conferred upon me, & my cordial willingness to co-operate with them, in any own humble way, to promote the very important objects of the Institution.

The science of Statistics is one, in which I have for years been deeply interested; & I rejoice that an Association is at length formed in our country, which promises so much for the acquisition & diffusion of useful knowledge.

I am, very respectfully,
Your friend & ob^d. Serv^t.
Israel W. Putnam

Rev. Israel W. Putnam
rec^d May 27 1840

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Secy. of Am. Stat. Assoc.
Boston,
Mass.



Pokipsie N.Y. 15th May 1840

Rev. J. B. Felt

A. S. of A. S. A

My dear Sir,

Pardon my delay in acknowledging the receipt of your favour of 12th March, informing me of my election as an honorary member of the A. S. Association.

Be assured Sir of the decided though comparatively recent interest which I feel in your laudable plans; and of my willingness to render you every aid in my power. In the Statistics of Education and Religion, particularly the denominational Statistics of my own sect (Baptists) I am laboring to become more thoroughly informed and to call out the efforts of others in different parts of the Country.

My Contributions will probably be in one or the other of these departments, and I will endeavor to furnish you "a paper" before the end of the year. I would wish to make the place with which you have honored me, one of service, and will gladly accept any hints in reference to any labour I can perform for the good of the common cause.

Yrs very respectfully,

Rufus Babcock jr.

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Rev. Rufus Babcock

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Rev. Joseph B. Felt.

Washington, June 20. 1840

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, informing me that I have been elected a corresponding member of the American Statistical Association. I accept the membership with great pleasure, and will cheerfully unite with the Association in promoting, as far as it may be in my power, the objects they have in view.

With the highest respect
Your most obt. Servt.



Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Corresponding Secy. of the
Am. Stat. Association
Boston.

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Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Corresponding Secy. &c

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Dear Sir -

Your favour announcing my election as an Honorary Member of "American Statistical Association" - has been duly received, & should have been long ago acknowledged, but for the pressure of professional & other engagements, & absence from home. I beg you will assure the Society of my grateful thanks for the honour thus conferred; & my disposition to aid, in every possible manner, the important objects of the institution.

I remain, Sir, with great respect
Your obed^t. Servant

Samuel George Morton

Philadelphia

Joseph B. Felt Esq. August 1. 1840
Rec. Sec. Ann. Stat. Assocⁿ

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George
M.D.
Aug 17
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Joseph B. Felt Esq
Rec. Sec. American
Statistical Assocⁿ. Boston



Dedham, 6th Aug. 1840.

Rev. J. B. Fitt.

Dear Sir

I have received your favor of July 31st informing me of my election as an honorary member of the American Statistical Association, & pray you to have the goodness to present my respectful acknowledgements to the Association for the honor thus conferred, & to consider this note as my acceptance of the membership.

With much respect
Yr obliged & obt^l Serv^t

Sharon Metcalf

Wm. Hieron Metcalf
rec^d 10th Aug. 1840
dated 6th

Rev. Jos. B. Felt
Boston

Savannah Aug 13th 1840.

Res^d J^r B. Felt.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 31st ultimo announcing my election as a Corresponding Member of the "American Statistical Association" was duly received.

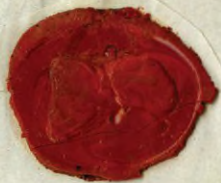
I accept, with much sensibility, the Membership thus offered, though I fear that it will not be in my power to advance, as much as I should desire, the objects of so laudable an association. Chronology, as Dr Johnson has said is "the eye of History" Statistics may with equal propriety be termed its feet; as it is the only sure, & permanent basis, on which its statements & details, can be authentically established.

I will endeavor from time to time to send the Society such numerical facts pertaining to this state, as I may be able to collect, & shall be happy to answer any enquiries, or contribute in any manner to advance the general objects proposed in your circular.

If you will be kind enough to leave my Diploma with Gov Winthrop, or Dr Palfrey, directed to the Care of Mrs Stevens, who is now at the North, she will receive it, without trouble, or delay.

Yours with much personal esteem
J^r Bacon Stevens.

Doct Wm B. Stevens
recd Sept 2 1840



Dear Mr. Stevens
I have the pleasure
to receive your letter of
the 29th inst.

New Haven, Conn.

August 15. 1840

Sir,

I duly received your favor of the 31st ult.,
announcing my election as Corresponding Member of the
American Statistical Association. I accept with much pleasure
the appointment with which the Association have thus honored
me, & shall consider it both a duty & a privilege to do
all in my limited power to promote its interests:

Most respectfully,

Your obedient servant,
Edward C. Herrick.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt.

Recording Secretary of
Amer. Statis. Assoc.

Boston

Edw^d C. Herrick Esq
rec Aug 22.
1840

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Rev. Joseph B. Felt.
Recording Secretary of
The American Statistical Association.
Boston.
Mass.

United States Military Academy
West Point, 17th Aug. 1840.

Joseph B. Felt, Esq.

Sir,

Your favour of 31st July, notifying me of my election as a member of "the American Statistical Association" has been received. I am gratified with this distinguished mark of attention, respect & confidence, & shall take my place among the corresponding members of your Society with great satisfaction. Such an association was, I think, very much wanted, & will add another to the many very valuable institutions founded & chiefly sustained by the city of Boston.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your O^bd^t Serv^t.
J. Adams.

Rev. Jasper Adams.
Recd Aug. 26th 1840

Joseph B. Felt, Esq.
Boston,
Massachusetts.

New York, August 25, 1840.

Rev. Jos. B. Felt,

Dear Sir,

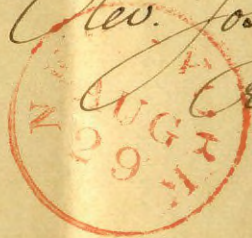
I received some weeks since your circular, informing me of my election as a Corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association; and should have replied immediately, but that I hoped to receive a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws, which were forwarded with your letter. They have unfortunately miscarried; and, although I am not informed of the precise objects of your institution, nor of the degree of labor and responsibility which it imposes upon its members — I see enough in its very title to satisfy me that ~~it is~~ the design is a good one, and in the high character of the Resident Members, sufficient inducement to accept, with many thanks, the honor conferred.

With the highest regards,

Your obedient servant,
Jacob B. Moore.

Hon. Jacob B. Moore
Rec^d Aug 31-1840

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Sec. Sec. Amer. Stat. Assoc.
Boston.



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New York Aug. 29, 1840

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Recording Secy of
the Am. Statis. Assn.

Sir

Your favor of the 31st ult. informing me that I had been elected Corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association, reached me on the eve of my departure from the city for an excursion in the country of a few weeks; and as your notice was not accompanied with a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association, I concluded to postpone a reply till my return, hoping the document alluded to would by that time come to hand, but it has not; and I have not yet been able to find a copy. Consequently, although I am much gratified with the honor conferred by this appointment, and sincerely thank you for it, yet I do not feel prepared without seeing the Constitution to accept it, lest by so doing I might enter into engagements which it would be impossible or very difficult for me to perform. I must therefore suspend my decision till I can see the document in question, which you will have the kindness to forward to my post office Box 811. Yours very respectfully

Jra W. Allen

No 12 Chambers Street
New York

P.S. I have rec'd a printed circular from Mr. Shattuck, & will cheerfully comply with his request. J.W.A.

Rev
Allen

Dr. M.
Recd.

Aug 31-1848

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Rev. Joseph B. Felt

Boston
Mass.



(Single)



Philadelphia August 29th 1840

To Rev. Joseph B. Felt Secy of Am. S. A.

Dear Sir

I received this morning your letter dated July 31st informing me that I had been elected a Corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association, I beg you to present to the Society my respectful acknowledgments for the proffered honor, which I accept with pleasure. It will be my pleasure to promote the objects of the Association according to the extent of my ability and opportunities,

Respectfully & truly yours

Henry Bond

Dodge
Recd

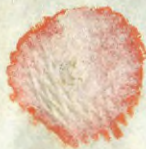
Henry Bond
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1840



J. B. Felt

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Secretary of the Am. S. Assn

Boston
Mass



Budapest Sept 9th 1840

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 31st Augt. informing me of the honor which the American Statistical Association have done me in electing me a fellow of their Society; I received, at the same time, a copy of the Constitution & By-Laws-

I beg you will present, Sir, to the Association my profound thanks for the unexpected & unmerited honor which they have conferred upon me, & state to them that I no less appreciate their kindness than my own utter incompetency to comply with the eighth article of the By-laws, ~~find~~ me under the necessity of declining the situation which they tender me.

I am Sir

Yours A. B. Felt.

Recording Secy.

U.S. Association

Post

With sincere Respect

Y^r St^l Serv^t

Rich^d. Dillingham

Mr Nicholas Dilling
East - rec^d Sept
11 - 1840



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Rev. Joseph B. Felt.
Boston

Newton Centre, Sept. 15. 1840.

Rev. Joseph D. Felt, Secretary of the American
Statistical Association.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter & the accompanying
documents at the time of our anniversary; & was
unable at that time to reply. I now hasten to
acknowledge the honor your Association has done
me, in appointing me one of its Fellows, & to sig-
nify my cordial acceptance. It will give me
pleasure to contribute so far as it shall be in
my power, to the advancement of its interests.

Yours very respectfully

Barnes Sears.

Prof. Burnas Sears
rec^d Sept 23, 1840

With Money

Rev. Joseph B. Felt

Boston



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des Etats Unis.

Paris, le 20th Sept. 1840

Sir,

I have just received your letter
of March 19th informing me of my
election as a Member of the American
Statistical Association, and I beg
you to excuse to the Society my thanks
for the merit of these Honors, which
I accept with much pleasure.

Yours much respect,

Sam. Jr.

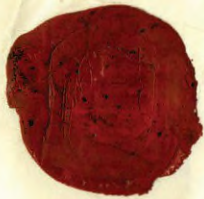
Your obt. servt.

L. W. C. C.

Messrs. Joseph B. Felt

Concerning Secy of the American
Statistical Association. Boston

Hon Lewis Cass - L... -
Minister to Paris, France -
rec'd Oct 20th 1840



Secy of State
Washington
D.C.
1840
Hon. Joseph B. Sart

[Handwritten signature]

Westminster, Sept. 21, 1840.

Rev. & Dear Sir,

Please to present my grateful acknowledgments to the American Statistical Association for the obligation they have conferred in electing me a Fellow of the Association. I cheerfully accept the appointment, & desire you would do me the favor to hand the Treasurer, the "initiation fee" which I enclose to you.

Yours respectfully
Cyrus Mann

P.S. Please to subscribe my name to the obligation in your "by-laws."
C. M.

See next page.

Rev Cyrus Mann
rec Sept 30 - 1840

Wilmington Sept 27 1840
Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of the 25th inst. in relation to the proposed meeting of the directors of the American Bible Society at New York on the 1st of October next. I have the pleasure to inform you that the meeting will be held at the City Hotel in New York on the 1st of October at 7 o'clock in the evening. I have also the pleasure to inform you that the directors of the American Bible Society have agreed to meet at the City Hotel in New York on the 1st of October at 10 o'clock in the morning. I have the pleasure to inform you that the directors of the American Bible Society have agreed to meet at the City Hotel in New York on the 1st of October at 10 o'clock in the morning. I have the pleasure to inform you that the directors of the American Bible Society have agreed to meet at the City Hotel in New York on the 1st of October at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Meeting at 7 o'clock evening
Directors meet at
10 o'clock -

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North Gladley Sept 21 1840

J. B. Galt

Secretary

American Statistical Association

Boston ms

Dr Sir

Seeing a very brief notice
not long since in one of the Boston papers of the
existence of a society as above named - I am very
desirous to know more about it - please write me
by mail and give me such information as you please
as will give me ^{the} design, views, extent & scope of its
operations - It is a subject which I should like to
be more familiar with and should be willing to
contribute any thing for general information

Yours very respectfully

D. M. Leonard

D. M. Leonard
rec^d Sept 28 - 1840

J. B. Felt
Boston
MS

Hartford Oct 26 1840

Dear Sir

It gives me great pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst, informing me of my election as Fellow of the American Statistical Association. I beg of you to convey to the Association my high sense of the honor done me, and the pledge of such cooperation as it may be in power to give towards accomplishing the objects of its institution.

At my earliest leisure I will select such documents, and prepare such statistical tables, as will throw light on the history, means and condition of common school education in Connecticut, and place them through you at the disposal of the Society.

Very respectfully

Yours

Henry Barnard

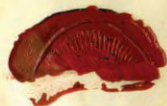
Joseph B Felt

Recording Secy
of Am. Sta. S. G.

Henry Barnard & Co
Rec^d Oct 26 - 1840 -

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Rev Joseph B Felt
Recording Secretary
of Am. Statistical Socy.
Boston
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New York, 28th Dec. 1846

Rev. & Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 20th, informing me, that I was elected a Corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association was duly received. I am much gratified that such an Institution has been formed, believing the object most important; and the materials for its attainment most abundant. I will contribute as I may be able to that object; but, regret to say my avocations are too numerous to admit the attention I might desire.

Respectfully yours &c

Wm L. Blake

Rev. Joseph B. Felt

Rev J^r L. Blake D.D.
Rec^d Nov 4-1840

Rev Joseph B. Fell
Boston
Ms.

Missionary House, Boston,

Oct. 29, 1840.

Dear Sir,

Your notice of my election as a Fellow of the American Statistical Association, has been received, with the accompanying copy of the Constitution and By-Laws. Having long taken a deep interest in the objects of the Association, which I regard as of very great importance, I shall do what I can, consistently with my other official duties, to promote them, and am happy to accept the Fellowship. Nor am I insensible to the honor of appointing, in so good a work, with the gentlemen who compose the Association.

I am, Dear Sir, with great respect,

Very truly yours,

Robert Anderson.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,

Recording Secretary,

etc. etc.

Rev Rufus Anderson DD
rec^d Nov-25-1840
dated Oct 29 .

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Rev. Secy. of Am. Nat. Assoc.,
Statistical Rooms,
Boston.

Israel N. Allen
rec^d - letter
to Samuel
Shattuck -
his letter dated
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Nov-10 1840
To my Brother
dear to mother

Banfor Nov 18 1840 -

Joseph B. Felt
Reading Secretary
of A. Stab. Association.

D. Sir

Being informed by you, that I
have been elected a "Corresponding member" of
the above Association, I accept, with due notice,
of the honor & trust the Office thus assigned
me - hoping I'm able to contribute something
in kind, which may promote the objects
in view so truly & highly important.

I am most respectfully
your obt^l Serv^t

Wm. Williamson



From
William
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Wm D.
son -
Nov 23
1840

Jos. D. Felt Esq.
Care of A. S. Ans^r
Boston

Waltham 10 Nov 1860.

Sir,

Having removed from Boston
and being unable from that and other causes
to attend the meetings of the "B. S. Association"
I desire to have my name withdrawn from
the list of its members. Have the goodness to
make this request known to the Government
of the Association at its next meeting.

I am, Sir,

Yours truly

John W. Kee

J. W. Kee

Lemuel Shattuck Esq
Home Secy to the
American Statistical Association
Boston.

Henry Lee Esq
rec Nov 25 1840
date " 10 "

Henry Lee
Esq

Boston, Feb. 2. 1841.

Mr. Felt,

Dear Sir,

Upon considering the number and pressure of my engagements, and the small probability that I shall be able for the year to come to serve the interests of the Statistical Society, in the degree usually expected of its members, I beg leave, though with regret, to decline the honor of being nominated at the annual meeting, which I understand, is to take place tomorrow.

With many thanks for your kindness and sincere wishes for the prosperity of the Society I remain your friend, respectfully

W. J. Adams. —

W. J. Adams
July 21, 1841

Warren St.

Rev. J. B. Field

rd
Boston Feby 3. 1841.

Rev.^d and dear Sir,

Feeling that the prosperity
and advancement of our infant Statis-
tical Association depends extremely on
the efficiency of its members, and at the
same time feeling that I cannot be as
useful to the Association as many younger
Gentlemen whose works have been more
confined to literary pursuits than my-
own have been, I hereby respectfully
signify my wish to withdraw from the
Association; with a sincere hope that my
place may be filled with one having all
the qualifications which seem to me to be
so important to the progress of this valuable
Institution.

I am dear Sir

With great respect
Your obt. Servant


Sam^d. Dorr

Rev.^d Jos. B. Pelt
Rev.^d Geop. Pe.

From Saml Doan
rec Feb 3 - 1841

Rev. Jos. B. Felt

10 Joy's Buildings


Saturday 13 Feb -

Dear Joseph Felt,

Dear Sir,

I have paid to
the Statistical Society my assessment
of five dollars; and should be happy
to continue my connexion; but as my
circumstances do not allow of this
hence I am sorry to signify to you,
as I now do, my withdrawal -

I am respectfully,
Yrs

Henry Johnson

Rev. Henry Colman
recd Feby 15, 1841.

~~Secretary of the American Society~~

~~Boston~~

Rev Joseph Fell

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Secy. Amⁿ. Statisⁿ. Association.

Boston.

Feb. 27. 1841

Sir.

Your favor of the 25th, in informing me of my election as a Fellow of the American Statistical Association was duly received - I hereby tender my thanks to the members of the Association for the honor conferred upon me - It will give me pleasure to unite with them in their labours; and in so doing, I shall endeavor to promote as far as in my power, the important objects which they have in view -

I am very respectfully

Yours

James C. Bidder

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James C. Odiorne
rec^d Feby 27 - 1841

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Statistical Rooms
Boston

Boston March 4th 1841

W. B. Felt Esq.

Dear Sir—

I receive your letter communicating the notice of my election as a member of the American Statistical Association. I beg through you to convey to the Society, my acceptance of the fellowship; and my sense of the honor thereby conferred;— and my readiness to comply with the provisions of your Constitution

Very respectfully

Your obt. St.

E. W. Seacher

Doct C. W. Leach
recd March 5 - 1841

John D. Lee Esq

Surgeon General's Office
Washington March 15th 1841

Sir;

The Surgeon General being absent, on special duty at the South-west, I take the liberty of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 8th inst., (accompanied by a copy of the Constitution & By-Laws) apprising him of his election as a Corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association.

For this honorable distinction I beg permission to render my acknowledgments, in the name of the Surgeon General, who will doubtless avail himself of the earliest opportunity to accept the membership which your Association has been pleased to confer upon him.

Very Respectfully
Sir

Joseph B. Felt Esq your obt^d servt
Recording Secy Ad. L. Keiskell
Am. Stat^l Association Act^y Surg. Genl.
Boston
Mass.

Thos W.
Surgeon

Lawson M.D.
General
March 20th 1841

Joseph B. Felt Esq
Recording Secretary
of the
Boston Mass.

Boston May 21. 1845.

Rev. & Dear Sir,

It gave me pleasure to be informed by your note, that I had been elected a fellow of the American Statistical Society. I have so far delayed answering it, from the doubts I had of being able usefully to aid in the objects for which they associated, ~~and~~ ^{but} have finally concluded to endeavor to contribute my mite. You may therefore consider me as having accepted of the Election.

Very Respectfully Yours,
Rev. Joseph B. Telt
R. Secretary

Samuel Pettes.

Samuel Pettes Esq^r
rec^d May 5 - 1841

Rev. Joseph B. Felt

Boston

City of Washington
July 6. 1841

Sir:

Your communication of the 8th of March, notifying me of my election to the station of Corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association, I have had the pleasure to receive.

The honor intended me is duly appreciated, and for the same I beg leave to return thro' you to the members of the Association my grateful acknowledgments.

I avail myself of this occasion also to say that the office tendered me is cheerfully accepted.

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully

Your Ob^t. Serv^t.

Th: Lawton
Sur: Genl

Joseph B Felt Esq^r
Recording Secretary
American Statistical Association

Letter from Tho^s Lawson
M. D. Rec^d July 9th 1841

Boston Sept. 10. th 1841

Rev. & Dear Sir,

Some six months since Mr. Shattuck invited me to become a member of the American Statistical Society.

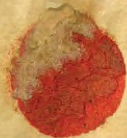
I was glad to hear that such an Institution existed, and authorised him, to propose me, for one of its Fellows. He did so. Soon after, I received a note from you informing me of my election, and enclosing a copy of the Constitution and By Laws.

By those laws, I saw, that a heavy tax for a poor man was in front of all other privileges, amounting to seven or eight dollars the first year. I delayed a reply to your note till I had consulted with Mr. Shattuck, and told him, that I had no spare funds for such objects, that I was willing to work and if I could be of service in that way it would give me pleasure to become a member. He said, that ^{who} those ~~that~~ did the work ought not to be taxed, but gave no opinion whether I should be or not. I accepted.

From having been ~~several~~ ~~times~~ ~~asked~~ ~~for~~ ~~contribution~~ requested several times by the Treasurer to pay five dollars and not feeling able to do it. I now respectfully request you, to erase my name from the roll of Fellows, and to no longer consider me as one of them. With a sincere sympathy with the objects of the Association, and the highest respect for its members. Yours, Samuel Pettet.

Dear Joseph P. Salt.

Samuel Pettes Esq



1841

Boston

Rev. Joseph A. Bell

South Boston May 5. 47

Dear Sir,

I find that
I was unable to attend the
Meeting of the Statistical Society,
and to perform the duties
which are incumbent on
every member, I must
therefore respectfully request
to be discontinued from your
list.

Very Truly Yours
S. G. Howe.

P.S. Any payments which may be due
I will pay upon notification thereof.

S. G. Hoar M.D.
rec^d May 9 - 1842

Ms. J. B. Southwick

Joseph B. Fell Esq.
Sec. of Am. Historical Socy.
Boston

17 State Street -
Boston, Nov. 1st 1842 -

Sir -

Your notice, informing me of my election as Fellow of the American Statistical Association, is received - I have the honor of accepting the Fellowship, & shall have much pleasure, in endeavoring to promote the objects of the association -

Very respectfully &c. &c.

Wingate Norton -
Rev. Joseph B. Felt -
Rec'g Sec'y, American
Statistical Ass'n -

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J. Wingate Thornton Esq
Nov 1842

Rev. Joseph B. Fell -
Rec'g Secretary of the
American Statistical Ass'n.
Boston -

Dear Brother,

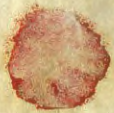
I should be glad to attend the meeting of the Statistical Society tomorrow evening, but I cannot, very well, on account of my duties here. If the Society shall conclude to publish a vol. or take the Q. Register, I will assist with my pen as far as I can. I hope something will be done to show that we have an existence; if not, we had better formally disband.

I should think well of taking the Q. Register, if the Ed. Soc. must give it up. My opinion is, that it could be made easily to pay for itself, including its editorship. It has done so in former years, though not of late. There has been a lack of energy & forethought somewhere. The printing has cost more than it should. If it goes over to the Statis. Soc. care must be taken, that it does not become a repository of dull & lifeless facts.

Andover Jan. 31, 1843

Affectionately, B. B. Edwards

Prof. B. B. Edwards
Jan 31 - 1843



Wilmington
Delaware

Rev. R. Anderson S. S.



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American
~~Scientific~~ Historical Register

Rooms of Am. Ed. Soc. }
Boston, Feb. 1. 1843. }

Rev. Joseph B. Felt }
Recording Sec. Am. Stat. Ass'n }

Dear Sir

I have before me your letter, bearing date Aug: 7, 1841, in which you informed me that the American Statistical Association had done me the honor to elect me a Fellow. Circumstances have hitherto prevented me from availing myself of the privilege thus offered to my acceptance. Begging the indulgence of the Association for this long delay, I wish now to say, that, if the lapse of time has not interposed any obstacle to the validity of my election, I shall ~~now~~ be happy to be received as a member.

Very respectfully Yours,
Samuel H. Riddell

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Recording Secretary Am. Stat. Assn.
Boston

Rev. Saml W. Alden
Dec 1 - 1843

To the Officers & Members.

CIRCULAR.

FROM THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE PROMOTION OF SCIENCE IN JUNE, 1842:

HON. JOHN C. SPENCER, *Secretary of War, Chairman.*

HON. LEWIS F. LINN, *United States Senator, Missouri.*

HON. WILLIAM C. PRESTON, *United States Senator, South Carolina.*

HON. JOSEPH R. INGERSOLL, *House of Representatives, Philadelphia.*

HON. ABBOT LAWRENCE, *House of Representatives, Boston.*

J. C. SPENCER

Chairman of Committee.

WASHINGTON, February 24, 1843.

To the Friends and Correspondents of the National Institute and the Members of Scientific and Learned Societies of the United States, &c. &c. &c.

On the 15th October last a circular was addressed to the scientific and literary men of the United States, transmitting a copy of certain proceedings of the National Institute, for the promotion of science, and inviting particular attention to that portion of the proceedings which contemplated the general meeting proposed by the Institute to be held at the seat of Government.

This circular was, at first, attempted to be sent directly to individuals, but it was soon found impracticable to address all who were entitled to special invitation. The members of the Institute, and those who had, in various ways, most liberally contributed to the promotion of its objects, were of course expected to attend; yet the difficulty of obtaining all the names and residences of others, eminent in the various branches of knowledge, rendered it necessary to resort to a more general mode of effecting the purpose. With this view, the circular was published in the papers of the District of Columbia, and was thus made general.

The object of the first circular was, not to fix on any particular time for the meeting, nor was it intended by the Institute or the Committee, to make Washington the place of all subsequent meetings, if it should appear to be contrary to the judgment of those who had the right to decide upon such an important question. It was rather to obtain preliminary views of the friends of the Institute, and general information, as to the time and mode of convening; and, afterwards, to adopt a plan and a time, (which might be gathered from the replies of those whose opinions had been solicited,) to be the most convenient.

These replies have been numerous and interesting, and present, almost without exception, a decided approbation of the step that has been recommended, as well as of the course of the Institute, under the auspices of which that step has been begun. The committee, after having carefully considered these replies, have come to the conclusion that the month of April, 1844, is the period which will best suit the convenience of all.

The committee were aware that several previous attempts had been made to get up a similar meeting upon the plan of the British Association, and that those attempts had proved fruitless. Perhaps too much was expected at a time when our learned men were unprepared for co-operation in such extended plans. But the idea had found favor, and it may be affirmed justly, that we owe, in no small degree, to the system of State Geological Surveys, the present improved prospect of accomplishing a noble and long cherished object.

Under these circumstances, about three years ago, some of the gentlemen engaged in the New York Survey, (the fruits of which are already beginning to appear in published volumes, reflecting honor upon the liberality of the State, and credit upon the abilities of those who have been engaged in that great enterprise) proposed to bring about the object by a different method;—circulars were sent by them to Geologists of other State Surveys, and a meeting was held in Philadelphia in 1840. This meeting was respectable, and resulted in the formation of the "Association of American Geologists." It adjourned and met again in Philadelphia in 1841. At the second meeting it was deemed expedient to adopt the foreign plan of changing the place of meeting. Boston was chosen as the place for the third meeting;—at which its objects were extended, and the Association became the "Association of American Geologists and Naturalists." The fourth meeting is to be held in Albany during the month of April, 1843.

The proceedings of this Association had been witnessed by the National Institute with feelings of deep interest;—and, in 1841, a formal invitation was sent from the latter to the former, requesting them to make Washington the place of one of the Annual Meetings. The invitation was promptly accepted, and it has been decided that the fifth meeting of the "Association of American Geologists and Naturalists," is to be held in Washington in the month of April, 1844.

The disadvantages and inconveniences of two meetings, have, after mature reflection, appeared to the committee so obvious, that they have thought it best to fix the 1st Monday of April, 1844, as the period for the general meeting; and they take this occasion and mode of respectfully inviting to Washington, in the name of the National Institute, the members of the American Philosophical Society, the oldest scientific institution of our country, the members of the Association of American Geologists and Naturalists, and the members of all other scientific and learned societies in the United States; the honorary and corresponding members and friends and patrons of the Institute, and all others engaged and concerned in the "increase and diffusion of knowledge among men."

The plan of operations will be left entirely to those who may be present on the occasion. The Institute and the Committee, without attempting to control them in any manner, charge themselves with the duties of making every preparation in their power adapted to facilitate the scientific objects, the promotion of which such a body may be supposed to cherish.

J. C. SPENCER,
Chairman of Committee.

Washington, February 22, 1843.
To the Friends and Correspondents of the National Institute and the Members of Scientific and Literary Societies of the United States, &c. &c.

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Circular from the
American Institute.

- Read Aug 9, 1843



General

W. H. Wood

Boston

Statistical Society

Wm. J. C. Spencer



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Call of the American Philosophical
Society, Independence Square -
Philadelphia, 31 March, 1843. -

The American Philosophical Society has determined to celebrate the hundredth anniversary of its organization under that title, on Thursday, the twenty fifth of May, next. -

A Discourse on the objects of the Society, its history, labours and prospects, will be pronounced on that day, at noon, by Dr Robert M. Patterson, one of the Vice Presidents; and a meeting will be held on Friday, the twenty sixth, at which communications will be received, on topics of Scientific interest, from members and correspondents. -

The committee, which has been charged with the arrangements for the celebration, respectfully invites your presence and co-operation. -

Nathaniel Chapman.
John H. Kane.
John Ludlow,
Robley Dunglison,
Frederick Truicy,
Alexander Dallas Bache,
Geo. Washington Smith.
Committee.

Circular from
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Read Aug 9th 1843



Boston Ms

Statistical Society



[Handwritten signature]

Lynn April 25th 1842

L. Shattuck Esqr. Secy. &c.

Sir,

Presuming that a catalogue of the shells, and their inhabitant, (the molluscan animals) of any State, Territory, or district of country would be embraced among the objects contemplated by the American Statistical Association. I embrace the opportunity of sending herewith "a Catalogue of the Marine, Terrestrial and Fluvial Shells of Massachusetts" as arranged and published by myself; also a ^{similar} Catalogue of the shells of Maine, by L. W. Nichols M. D. - and also of the Terrestrial and Fluvial shells of Ohio, by John G. Anthony Esqr. of Cincinnati - You will also find a catalogue of the shells found in Bristol County, in this state, which are, however embraced in my catalogue of the shells of the state,

I am aware that there exists some typographical and other errors in the catalogue of Mass. shells, but most of them are unimportant.

I hope at some future day to be able to publish a corrected edition, when it will give me pleasure to forward a copy to the Association.

I have the Honor to be

Very Respectfully &c.
William Prescott

Letter from Wm
Prescott M.D. of
Lynn - Read
Aug. 9th, 1843.

Lemuel Shattuck Esq.
(Home Secretary of the
American Statistical Association)
(Statistical Rooms)
Cornhill St.
Boston

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July 6th 1843. The Publishing committee of
the American Statistical Association, met at the
office of J. Wingate Moulton Esq. ~~for business~~
Present, Messrs. Anderson, Felt, Riddell, and
Moulton.

1st Inquire whether the association have
funds enough subscribed to proceed in printing
any of their manuscripts. Decided in the af-
firmative -

2^d Moved, and adopted, that part
first of Volume 1st of the Association's Statis-
tical publications be printed -

3^d . That the article on the towns
of Massachusetts, presented in 1841.
by Rev. Joseph B. Felt.
to the Association, be the contents of said part.

4th. Voted that Joseph B. Felt consult
with Theophilus^{R.} Marvin Esq. about printing
the same. — The committee then ad-
journed —

J. Wingate Norton —
Secretary —

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Report of Publishing
Comtee of Am. Sta-
tistical Ass'n
Read & accepted.
Aug. 9^m 1843

to be printed by the
Comtee of the Am. Sta-
tistical Ass'n
at the expense of the
Ass'n

Wm. H. Burleigh
- printer -

New York. Jan'y 4. 44

P^r Sir

I perceive you are Secretary of a Statistical Association so general in its objects as to make its extension desirable. We have a charter from our own State for that purpose but have done nothing as yet. If not too much trouble, can you send me yr Constitution & publications for examination, & I will follow it up with literary friends, & for a hand. Please address me care of True Sun Office &

Oblig Yours

S. De Witt Bloodgood

Mr Sparks,
Col Austin
Mr Derby & the
gentl^{es} of Boston
are among my friends
with you.

S. De Witt Bloodgood Esq
of New York City
Jan^y 4. 1844
and " 12 "



John W. Brown
Richard D. Duff
Boston

Jan 13 1844



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Boston Feb. 15. 1844.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,

Dear Sir. I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of yours of the 8th inst., informing me that I am elected a Fellow of the American Statistical Association. The importance which I have long attached to the leading aims of that Association, renders it peculiarly agreeable on my part to accept the proffered fellowship, - which I do with a full appreciation of the honor & advantage thus conferred on myself, and with a sincere desire to become, in some humble measure, subservient to the great objects of the Fraternity.

Yours truly,

Joseph S. Clark

Rev. Joseph S. Clarke
July 15 - 1844



Mass

Boston

Reg. Sec. Am. State & Carr

Rev. Amos A. Phelps

Boston Feb 18, 1844.

Hon. Robert C. Winthrop.

Dear Sir. Being instructed by the American Statistical Association to forward this petition to your care, I have accordingly done so. Perhaps the questions may be asked, — where do they hold their meetings, and who are their officers? — As to the first inquiry, — they meet quarterly in Boston. — As to the second, — they are Hon. Richard Fletcher Pres^t, — Doctor George Shattuck of Boston & Doctor Eben^r Alden of Randolph Vice Pres^{ts} — Joseph E. Worcester Esq Foreign Secy, and William Brigham Esq. Treas^r Secy. — The object of the Association is denoted by their name, which they are endeavouring to hold for some thing more than mere sound. — As favours, similar to what we ask, have been granted since the law of 1813, to the American Antiquarian Society and other Bodies, we are encouraged to present this memorial. If you will do us the kindness to offer and advance it so far, as you judge proper, the Association will feel themselves much obliged to you.

Very respectfully,

Your humble servant,

Joseph B. Felt

Recording Secy.

Copy of letter sent
to Robt C. Win-
throp - Feb 18 1844

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To the Honourable the Senate and
House of Representatives in Congress of the
United States, assembled.

Your memorialists, being members
of the American Statistical Association,
which has a regular charter, would
respectfully submit the following pe-
tition. Whereas, by the Law of 1813, Con-
gress granted a "copy of the Journals of
the Senate and of the House of Representa-
tives and of ~~the~~ Documents published
under the orders of the Senate and House
of Representatives respectively," to every in-
corporated College and Historical Soci-
ety in all the States, — your memorialists
pray, that the said Law may be so far
modified as to admit their Associa-
tion to share in the same privilege.

And, as in duty bound, your memo-
rialists will ever pray.

By order of the Association

Joseph B. Felt, Rec. Sec.

Boston Feb 7 1844.

Petition Copy of a
petition Congress
for their Journals
and documents
Feb 19 - 1844

Boston February 22^d 1844

Rev J. B. Felt.

Sec^y &c

Dear Sir,

I duly received your note informing me that at a meeting of the American Statistical Society, I was elected a fellow. I accept with pleasure, the honour and hope I shall be able in some measure to forward the interests and objects of the association.

Yours Respectfully

George Livermore

Mr George Livermore
Feb 22, 1844. —



Mr Joseph B. Holt
Secy of the Am. State Dept
Boston
Mass

New Orleans June 2^d 1841

Mr Joseph B Felt

Per Sec. Am. Statistical Association

Dear Sir

I have received your letter informing me of my election as a corresponding member of your association.

I thank the Society for the honor conferred upon me, and be assured that I shall take pleasure in contributing all in my power towards the objects for which you have associated yourselves.

I remain with great respect

Your obt Servant

Nathan Jarvis

M. Nathaniel Jarvis
New Orleans
June 21 1844

The Narratives of Inobscure Indians.

In the year 1816, the Tribe was ^{generally} well united, the comparatively poor in every other respect than lands. According to immemorial usage, their Chiefs & Captains are chosen, to hold their offices during their lives; & at the time of election which is always a high day with them, there must be & uniformly are a delegation, of twenty or more from the Tribes at Passamaquoddy & the river St. John. The last election & consecration, of Sagamore & Sachem, [Gov. & Lt. Gov.] was in the summer of the year above mentioned; when John Etienne, waiter, & John Neptune were chosen & ^{inducted into} consecrated to fill these offices during their lives. On that occasion the Tribe appeared to good advantage; the males were generally clad in broadcloth, & many of the females in silk - both ^{sexes} wearing abundance of silver bracelets & other rich ornaments. Before the Separation of Maine from Massachusetts, the Commonwealth became in debt to the Tribe, for the alienation of lands; which debt, being assumed by Maine, & ^{since} increased by further alienations, ~~amounts~~ ^{to the latter} amounts at present perhaps to sixty five thousand dollars. The interest on this sum is paid annually to them, in articles, needful for their support. The Islands in the Penobscot river, above & including Old town, the site of their village, are nearly all the lands, now owned by the Tribe, - Islands, numerous & generally of rich soil, ^{parts of which} which several of the Indians have from year to year, for half an age, partially cultivated. In 1838, they raised 4,000 bushels of potatoes, 1,000 bushels & more of corn & grain, - owned ten cows, seven horses, 60 dogs, ^{also} cats, hogs & ^{poultry} ~~hens~~, & cut 150 tons of hay. Less than 40 years since, their habitations were wigwags, - now they have a commodious Chapel, ^{with} Cupola & bell, & about 40 framed dwelling houses & ~~about~~ 50 or 60 feather beds, & sundry other cheap articles of furniture. In conversation with them, they tell us, that "young Indians, may be when '16, they get 'em gun, & powder & shot, & traps & go hunting; & some get 'em wives, when 15, & when 14 being very large. Great many young squaws have 'em samups, when 13, & some when 12 years old. Several of them can read, & a few write their names. Ancestrally, they did not inherit the real (or maiden) name of their Father, ^{they sometimes} of later years however in imitation of the English, take the paternal name. Several of the men can read a little, & a few write their names. In their religious tenets they are superstitious Catholics, & often meet ^{for worship.}

Within the last fifteen or twenty years there has arisen a more & more decided division of the Tribe, the denominated "the Old & the Young" - "Indians' party." The latter ^{people} take decision of improving their land & living more like their ^{English} American neighbors, & also of choosing their ^{own} Rulers every year. The former are indisposed to change the usages of their fathers, in government or any thing. In 1838, the young Indians, who ^{the number of} being themselves the largest ^{party} hoisted a flag at Old-town & elected Tomax Lockalexis Sagumie algeos: So great was the excitement this occasioned that a bloody combat of the parties was hardly prevented. In the subsequent winter, the State-legislature took notice of the difficulty, & March 16. 1839, passed an act, ^{for annual elections of their civil and military} by which the Selectmen of Orono were directed to notify the Tribe ^{of the act}, as aforesaid, to obtain a list of all the males ^{who were} in the Tribe of 21 years old & upwards, for Monday the 5th of August then next, to meet them & take their yeas & nays, viva voce, upon the adoption or rejection of the Law. Party-spirit ran very high; dictationing was managed with no small adroitness, & great efforts were made to hurry every voter present.

On the appointed day the Selectmen of Orono, assisted by Henry Richardson Esq, Indian Agent, met the Tribe at Old-town, & submitted to the voters, the question in these words, - "All in favor of the new Law will say yes: all opposed to it will say no!" - The Alphabetical List of ^{the} voters & their votes ~~express~~ as given, on the question, follows: -

John Etienne, or Aittean, Gov. since 1816..... [Auntak] No.	Michael Love or Lewe - No.
Glansian Bear No.	Newell Love or Lewe - yes
Jo. Besin, Capt. No.	Aittean Lebania, [Becoseo] - yes
Francis Lolar Bear, (uncle to Glansian Bear) [Chue] yes	Dele Mitchell - - - - - No.
John Crow, } [brother] No	Jo Merry Mitchell - - - - - yes
Francis Crow, } - - - - - yes	John Mitchell - - - - - No - yes
Jo. Denny - - - - - No.	Dele Mitchell (2) - - - - - yes
Dele Nicholas Francis - yes	Jo Merry Mitchell (E) - - - - - No.
Dele Glossian, alglansian absent	Sabbattis Mitchell - - - - - yes
Swasson Glansian, Capt. No.	Lewe Mitchell, (brother to Jo Merry Swasson) - - - - - yes
Jo. Glansian - - - - - yes	Dele Molly - - - - - yes
Francis Lolar, called always "Capt. Francis," who is part French & speaks the best English in the tribe, absent	Newell Dele Molly - - - - - yes
Doctor Lolar, or Lolok - yes	Dele Nicholas Molly - - - - - yes
Aittean Lolar or Lolok No.	Francis Monie - - - - - yes
Dele Lolar or Lolok No.	John Neptune Lt. Gov. since 1816. [a man of good mind] absent
Dea Mitchell Love or Lewe No.	Lo. Neptune, his son No
	Swasson Neptune - - - - - No
	Lewe Neptune - - - - - No
	Lockabasin Neptune No

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Michael Nickolar, 6 apt No.	yes	Sapphael Sockalexis	yes
Peole Nickolar, (g. sons of the No.)		Peole Mitchell Sockalexis	yes
Tomah Nickolar } 2 ^d gw. No.		Francis Sabenk	yes
Francis Nickolar,	yes	Peole Squantapow	No.
"Old" Capt. Nickolar	yes	Jo Stanislaus, (married 2 ^d daughter of G ^o . Etienne)	No
Lewe Newell	yes	Francis Lock	yes
Sol Ninepence	absent	Sabbath Peole Lock	No.
John Attean Orson, or Orson	yes	Sawell Saul	No.
Nickolar Orson or Orson	yes	Peole Suscep, (convicted of manslaughter - 1816 - for killing W ^m Knight)	No
Francis or Fransua Penais	absent	Sapuel Peole Suscep	No
John Pennewate, or Penewat	No	Sock Suscep	No
Ed. Peole Pennewate, or Penewat, (son of Capt. Nickolar)	yes	Sabbath's Peole Suscep	yes
Newell Polis	No	John Peole Suscep	yes
Peole Polis	No.	Peole Suscep, son of Peole Penewat	No.
Jo. or Suscep Polis	No.	Solomon Swasson	yes
(N.B. Peole Polis can read & write, & Newell Polis, married G ^o . Etienne's eldest daughter.)		Jo Mary Swasson	yes
Newell. Peole	No	Lewe Swasson	yes
Peoris Sockabasin	absent	Peole Tomar, (d. 6 th of 1836)	No
Michael Sockabasin	yes	Sabbath's Tomar or Tomah	No
Jo Sockabasin	yes	Lewe Tomar or Tomah	No
Francis Sockabasin	yes	Jonah Sock Tomar or Tomah	yes
Peole Sockabasin	No.	Etienne Tomar, or Tomah	yes
Etienne Sebanis [Raccoon]	yes	[Peole man, Paul, Suscep, Joseph]	
Tomar Sockalexis, the new shop	yes		
got. in Aug. 1838	yes		

Voters present were 73. - viz.
 Old party. - Nos. [Auntahs] 37.
 Young Indian party. Ayo. [Chues] 36
 Showing a majority against the act of only - ONE -

In addition to the 73 who voted, there were ~~of these on the list~~ 18 absent, several of whom were on the list & about 12 others who were absent, whose names were, Jo Sockis; Peole Joseph Newell; Lewe Newell; Newell Tomar; Lewe Sol Lolar. - all reputed votes in the negative

The whole number of souls in the Tribe in Nov. 1838, when they received their dividend from the State, was 402, including Females & children. In the course of the canvass at the polls, there was objection made to one particular Indian's voting. It was stated, he belonged to the Quoddy Tribe: He then read to the Select men, 'We no wish to vote if any body 'shake' em head. All Indians speak em freely, when among brothers. we want 'em these my brothers, should have em good governors, they make 'em Indians happy'. There were objections to others voting, on account of their captured nonage; & to settle the question, there were witnesses called such as mothers, to testify as to the facts. After all, the defeated party said, 'some voted, that were all one boys.'

The Openings, a Quoddy Indians are guilty in favor

of the young Indian Party, & a deligation of the title was present, when
in 1838, when the new Governor Tomas Lockalexis was chosen, this
gave to the old party, an offence which is not yet pacified. Individuals
of counter politics, would not for some length of time, do so much as
speak to each other.

Tameling Indians
a Sonobrat Title -

The within statement
is presented to the State:
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June 30th 1844 -
by W. D. Williamson -
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Lowell. March 31st 1845.

Rev. Mr. Felt.

Dear Sir.

Yours of Jan 8th was received sometime since, informing me of my election as Fellow to the American Statistical Association. - I would convey, through you, to the Association, my sincere thanks for this honor. - I have long felt a deep interest in the objects of this body, - And am determined to do something in this field of inquiry and research. - Other cares and duties will, however, occupy my attention at present - I shall call on you soon - and comply with your Constitution and by Law will I may be present at your next meeting April 9th.

In great haste.

Yours respectfully.

Nathan Allen.

Apr 1
P. Parbury

noticed by Mr. Saly

In March Mr. Sleeper
gave me verbal notice
of acceptance -

perhaps p.

Rev. Wm. Allen D.D.
of Northampton
or Pittsfield?

William Allen
March 31 - 1845

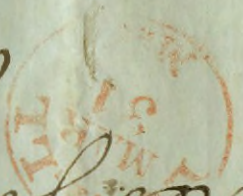
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Boston

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Boston Apr. 11 - '45.

Obs. W. Felt Esq -

Recording Secy. of the American
Statistical Association -

Dear Sir -

I received yesterday
your official notice of my election as a Fellow
of the Amer. Statistical Assn. - & in accepting
the honor will you present my thanks to
the Assn. & say that I shall be happy to aid
them as far as I can in their laudable &
patriotic labours -

Yrs respectfully

Chas. Brooks -

Bedford St 12 -

Rev. Charles Brooks
April 12th 1845



Boston -

Rev. Joseph W. Felt -



State Insane Hospital
Norwester April 14, 1845.

To the Reverend Joseph Felt,
Secretary of the American Statistical Association,

Dear Sir,

I received your
communication of the 9th instant, informing
me of my election, as an Honorary -
Member of the American Statistical Assoi-
-ation.

I tender my thanks to the Association
for the honor conferred upon me.
I accept it with pleasure, and pledge
my best endeavour to aid in pro-
moting its useful designs -

With great respect, I am
truly yours

Samuel B. Woodward

Saml B. Woodward
N. D. April 15
1845



Dear Joseph
Dear
Mrs.

(1)

PAID

Saml B. Woodward

Ms. A. 9. 2. 1. 1. 1.

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1 Borrowings Report Com: Sts. Syria	. 80
1 do " Egypt & Candia	1. 37
1 Ministry Comm: on Education	. 70
1 Comm: c. Tariff pts: 1 to 14.	12. 10
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Rec^d Payment of
Dr. Res. C. Shattuck

April 28th / 45

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ESTABLISHED 1845
Boston, Mass.
1845

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Castroville June 24 1845

My dear Sir,

I did not receive your favor informing me that I had been made a Fellow of the American Statistical Association, until about a month after its date, but I should have made an earlier reply to it, had circumstances permitted.

The principal reason for my delay, is the state of my health. I have not felt that I could accept of the Fellowship and do nothing to aid you, nor, that I could do my part now I to join you. Intellectual labor has been interdicted by my physician, and I only indulge in it by stealth. Thus situated, I think it best, for the present at least, to decline the fellowship.

The pursuits of my leisure hours in times past, have served to show how very erroneous are many - very many - of our official statistics, and the great need of an Association like yours.

In the course of my researches, I have collected a mass of statistical ~~and~~ other matter relative to the different branches of the Sea Fisheries of Europe and America, which I have long wished to work into shape, and if I ever get strength to execute the purpose, will then crave admission to your ranks, and tender the results of my labor as a proof of my desire to do a Fellow's share of the task you have undertaken to perform.

I am, dear Sir, Most Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Lorenzo Sabine

Rev Joseph G. Holt.

Sec. Sec. Am. Stat. Assn.

Lorenzo Sabine Esq
June 24 1845

15 Warren St



Rev. Joseph G. Hill.

Sec. Gen. Am. Geog. Soc.

Boston

Mass.

To American Statistical Association in 9c with Jas. C. Edicome. Treas. Cr

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	" Freight of books	52	" Fees receiv ^d from Messrs		
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Sep.	" W. S. Gamble "	2 00	Heepes \$5.00 each		
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Apr. 11	" Freeman Hart,	4 50	Sumner, Brigham, & Simonds		
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	rendered by him in preparing publications	4 00	1845		
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			& Felt, 4.00 each	8	
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 Boston. Jan. 14 1846 Settle E. E.
 James C. Edicome, Treasurer

Rev^d J. B. Felt

Dear Sir,

Boston Jan. 14, 1846¹⁶

It may not be convenient
for me to attend the meeting of the Statistical
Association tomorrow afternoon, and I therefore
inclose to you a copy of the Treasurer's *Ac*
for the last two years - You will remem-
ber that an *Ac* was not presented at the
last annual meeting.

Very respectfully,
James C. Edson.

J. C. Odiorne's
Oct 1846

Per J. B. Scott.
Boston

The committee, to whom ~~the~~ subject of rendering the American Statistical Association more useful - was referred in January 1845 - reported through their chairman at the April meeting of the same year. The matter was referred back to the same committee to consider it at their leisure & report at a future time.

After further consideration the committee again ask leave to report.

The object of this Association is to gather & preserve the record of such facts & events as shall show the condition of the world at any & every period. and its progress from age to age - such as shall demonstrate, as far as possible, how or through what causes & processes, the present has grown out of the past - and ~~opposed~~ data, from which we may infer what part of a future shall grow out of the present.

The history of the world is the collective history of all its interests - the various branches of industry, the many employments of capital & labor, all the pursuits, which society engages in - the objects, which benevolence - or enterprise is endeavoring to effect - the operations of political - literary - educational or religious organizations - these & the other interests of men - public or private - individually or associated - ^{there} in all their divisions & ramifications - absorb the world's thoughts & anxieties - & to them its powers mental & physical are directed & upon them they are employed.

The record of them. There is the record of the world doing
a life.

This record of the living world is first made of its details.
its minutiae of plan of accomplishment - and whether writ-
ten or printed, it is the most faithful & most worthy if made
while the events are passing - while there are ^{acting} fresh before
our eyes - ~~while~~ & fresh in our minds.

A large portion of the record of the doings of the world
is printed in form of reports of societies - of individuals & of
government upon the various interests which engage
them or come under their supervision - Public documents.
Rail Road reports - Reports of Scientific - Benevolent - Reli-
gious - commercial - & other associations. Tell annually
what they generally have done - & generally what
they propose to do thereafter. These are printed however
merely for a temporary purpose - and after having detailed
the fact - & held up the light to the immediate future -
they are most unwisely laid aside & lost.

In order that this association may accomplish its
purpose the most effectually: in order that it may obtain
the history & record of the events & doings of the world as
they are passing by - while yet they are fresh in our knowl-
edge - & before the fleeting reports of them shall be lost.

Yours ever more propose, that several committees be ap-
pointed - to whom shall be committed the supervision

of the various interests of the world & variety.

It should be the duty of these committees to watch over the several interests respectively assigned them. They should collect all information, within their power, concerning them. gather reports - news - documents - written or printed in regard to them, and deposit them in the library. They should observe the progress & growth & condition of their several interests, and prepare a report annually upon such interests, and submit that report to the association.

These reports should be read & discussed by the members present, and amended if need be, and adopted & their deposits in the library, & considered thereafter as the history of the subject or interest so observed & recorded for the time specified.

These reports should be written upon paper of uniform size, so that they may be bound together, for better preservation & more convenient consultation.

Without presuming to limit the association in the selection of subjects of observation & news - your committee would recommend, that committees be appointed to overlook, gather the news & write the history of the time being, of

- 1 Education - Schools - academies - colleges - &c
- 2 Vital Statistics - Mortality - Fertility - Diseases &c
- 3 Rail ways - roads - Steam ships, & all means of conveyance.

- 4 Commerce & navigation.
- 5 Manufactures
- 6 Population - growth of cities - towns &c
- 7 Charitable institutions
- 8 Benevolent societies
- 9 Religion & religious denominations
- 10 Public Health - Hygiene - monetary affairs.

Copy of minutes
 showing the status of the committee
 was made. April 7. 1846

There are probably many other subjects of social & general
 interest which should be observed & recorded - there are
 none named as the most prominent in the mind of
 your committee.

Done at New York 7th April 1846.

Respectfully submitted
 for the committee

Edward Jarvis
 Chairman

Mr. Bowen informed that a committee be appointed upon the
 subject of monuments. adopted.

Boston June 9. 1846

Rev^d J. B. Felt
Dear Sir

My engagements after the
first of the ensuing month will be such
that I cannot well attend to the duties of
Treas^r of the American Statistical Association
and I therefore tender my resignation of
that office -

Hoping that one may be chosen
at your next quarterly meeting to fill my
place & to receive the funds of the Association

I remain

respectfully Yours
James C. Edgerne

James C. Odiorne
Am. S. Ass^y 1846

Rev J. B. Felt
Secretary of
American Statistical Assocⁿ
Boston.



Lowell July 5th 1846

The committee to whom was assigned the duty of selecting such committees as would most readily and advantageously collect the statistical & historical facts derivable for this association ask leave to report.

That the several subjects be assigned as follow.

Religion & Religious Institutions	to	Rev. J. S. Clarke
Benevolent Societies	to	Rev. Samuel Kiddell
Charitable Institutions Religious	Rev. Dr. Rufus Anderson	
Education	Rev. Charles Weeks	
Vital Statistics	Dr. Edward Jarvis	
Population growth of towns. statistics	Samuel Matthews	
Commerce & Navigation	L. W. Thornton	
Banks. Banking & Insurance	Rev. Joseph W. Felt	
Taxation - laborers.	Rev. Joseph W. Felt	
Monopolies	J. K. Mason	
Rail-way - roads - means of travel & transportation	Wm. Brigham	
Charitable Institutions - medical	Dr. E. Fisher & Dr. C. Jarvis	

and your committee would earnestly urge that these several committees attend to the subjects assigned them. gather the printed statistical documents - reports - and all other records of facts pertaining to them. and also keep watch of the movements & progress of their subjects during the current year - & at the end thereof make such a report as will embrace their statistical history for the year then past - and deposit the same in the society's library Edward Jarvis

Ann. Stat. Assoc.

Boston, Dec. 22, 1846.

Rec. W. B. Felt, to Wm. S. Samvell, Jr.

To printing 200 Notices for Statistical
Association ————— \$1.50

Rec'd payment,

Wm S Samvell,
per Geo Bradford.

Missionary House,

Jan. 12, 1847.

Dear Sir,

I regret, & am much
mortified, to be obliged to say,
that I am again out of
the city at the meeting of the
Statistical Association. I
must leave the city, however,
this afternoon for New
York. I feel interest enough
in the object of the Society
to excuse my presence at
its meetings when in the
city, though I cannot

aid it went in any other
way.

Very respectfully yours,

Philo Arseson.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
his. sr.

Rev D^r Anderson
Jan^y - 13, 1847

Jan. 25th 1847.

Present, at a Meeting of the Publishing Committee of the
American Statistical Association. Joseph C. Worcester, Esq., Chairman
Rev. Rufus Anderson, D.D.
Rev. Joseph B. Felt.
J. Wingate Thornton, Esq.

On motion of Dr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Thornton,

Voted. to print the paper prepared by Mr. Felt, relating to taxation
and ~~valuation~~ in Massachusetts -

Voted. to print the paper now in the course of preparation
by Mr. Felt, relating to corporations in Mass^{ts} as
soon as it shall be ready for the press -

Voted. That the above papers, together with those already
published, be bound as the first Volume of the
Association's Publications -

Adjourned without day -

Chairman -

J. Wingate Thornton
Scribe -

Publishing Committee.

Jan. 20th 1847.

Salem Jan'y. 25. 1847

Rev Jos. B. Felt

Secy. Socy. Am. Stat. Association

Dr Sir

Your favor of the 15th inst. was duly received - informing me of my election as a fellow of the American Statistical Association

I am sensible of the honor that the Association has conferred in electing me one of their members - but cannot guarantee that my services will avail them much - however I should be pleased to do what I am able to advance the praiseworthy objects of the Institution

I expect to be in Boston in the course of a few weeks - when I will call upon you & pay the initiation fee -

I should like to have a copy of all the publications of the Association - will you have the kindness to send them to me the first favorable opportunity & charge the price of them to my account

I am yours respectfully
Henry Wheatland

Dr Henry Wheatland
recd Jan 25, 1847

Mail Box
143. Street



PAID

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Rev. J. B. Selt

Secy. Am. Statistical Association

Boston

Mass

Report of the Bank Commissioners - May, 1846.

" " " Quarters Mas: Genl " "

" " on Judicial Expenses - " 1839.

Statistics of the Condition Industry in Connecticut - Oct 1845.

Reports of Commissioners of School Funds - May, 1844 + 1846

" " of Superintendent of Common Schools. 1846.

" " Directors of State Prison - May 1843.

" " " " " " " 1846.

" " " American Asylum at Hartford - May 11. 1844.

" " " " " " " 14. 1842.

" " " Zoological Survey of Connecticut - by Ch. Upham Shepard M.D. 1837.

Bradley's Court Register - for 1847.

Rep. Superintendent of Retreat for the Insane - May - 1846.

Legislative Roll of Connecticut - May, 1846

Connecticut State Documents from the Hon. Ch. W. Bradley Sec. of State

Jan. 27. 1847.

5th Woodruss. { 14th Annual Rep. Trustees of the State Lunatic Hospital Worcester. Dec. 1846.

"A. B." Report of the President & ^{Managers} Directors of the Schuylkill Navigation Company Jan. 4. 1837.

1481 ym - various mixed shells with bones

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1485 1481 ym - various mixed shells with bones

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1490 ym

Donations from

Hon. Ch. Mr. Bradley.

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1492 " - shells of shells

1493 ym - various mixed shells with bones

1494 ym - various mixed shells with bones

1495 ym - various mixed shells with bones

1496 ym - various mixed shells with bones

1497 ym - various mixed shells with bones

Average period of Life among Methodist Itinerant Preachers in the United States.

In an article in Zion's Herald and Wesleyan Journal for Jan. 27, 1847. the following facts are given upon the authority of the Minutes of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States.

The communication is signed "O. C. Baker, Newmarket, N. H."

From 1773 to 1845 seven hundred and thirty-seven Itinerant ministers have died.

Their ages were as follows, as far as reported;

From 20 to 25	41
25 to 35	203
35 to 45	121
45 to 60	88
60 to 70	42
70 to 80	35
80 to 91	9

Number whose age is reported - 539

Number whose age is not reported 198. A large majority of these are more likely to have been among those who died young, than among those who reached the meridian of life; from the fact presumption that the ages of the older class would be more likely to be reported.

The writer states further (though he has not given that precise limit to any class in the above table) that "Nearly one half, of all whose ages are given in the Minutes, have fallen under thirty years of age."

From another table showing "the time spent in the itinerary, of six hundred and seventy-two ministers," it appears that "nearly two-thirds have died within twelve years after entering" that service.

The table is as follows:

Those from 2 to 5 years	199	
5 to 12	209	408
12 to 25	129	
25 to 40	90	
40 to 50	32	
50 to 61	13	264
Total		672

Presented by Rev
Sams H. Biddell
April 14, 1847

Boston, April 15, 1847.

Received of Doct. Geo. C. Shattuck one hundred dollars, on account of Part 3 of the Collections of American Statistical Association now being printed.

\$100.-

T. R. Marvin,
per C. L. Balch

T. R. Marvin's
receipt —
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ced by D Geo.
C. Shattuck
towards part
of 3 of bolls of
Am. S. Apr

More than
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More than
\$10000
Mr Shaw left
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at L. ...
1821

Gave all his
time & labor
at L. ...

Essex
Boston
1808
Boston

Mendon June 10. 1847.

Joseph B. Felt, Secy. Am. Statistical Association,
Dear Sir

Your favour of July 8. 1846, came duly to hand, informing me of my election as a fellow of the Association. With it was received a copy of the Constitution & By-laws.

I have concluded to accept the fellowship the Association has been pleased to tender me and shall endeavour to be present at the July meeting.

Expecting to visit the City next week I defer transmitting the initiation fee with this communication and will attend to it when I come to Boston.

Respectfully Yours.

Jno. Geo. Metcalf

Letter from Dr John
George Metcalf.
June 1847.

Mendon Mass }
June 11 } Paid 5.

Joseph B. Felt
Rec. Secy. Am. Statistical As-
-sociation.
Boston
Mass.



\$65.22

Rec^d of George Levin-
more, Treasurer of the American
Statistical Association, the
sum of Sixty five $\frac{22}{100}$ Dollars,
on account of said association.

J. R. Marvin.

Boston, Nov. 23, 1847.

S. R. Marvin
1847

Dear

My dear

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Boston, Jan. 19. 1848.

Credited to American Statistical Association Forty-five Dollars on account, — being Ten Dollars deducted for interest Ten Dollars as my subscription, Ten Dollars for five volumes of Collection, — & Fifteen Dollars Cash rec^d from Rev. Joseph B. Felt, for books & assessments.

J. R. Marvin.

Am. Statistical Association to J. B. Felt Dr.

1848

Jan. 19 To postage on notices, paper etc. \$ 0.53

Rec^d payment. Joseph B. Felt.

J. R. Marvin
receipt - Jan 11
19, 1847

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Boston Jan^y 2^d 1848

This may certify that I, Joseph B. Felt,
hold a receipt from Theophilus R. Mar-
vin, for Two hundred dollars, which I
paid him on account of printing etc. of
the American Statistical Associations'
third part of their collections, as a
loan to said Association.

Settled

Joseph B. Felt.

\$37

Boston February 8th 1848

Received of George Livermore
Treasurer of the American Statistical Association.
Thirty seven dollars, on account
of printing Vol 1 of collections.

T. R. Marvin.

Receipt 1848

For

Rev. Jos. B. Fell.

Helen Feby. 29. 1788.

Dear Sir,

I enclose to you the Am^{ts} of my
Arrearsments, can you please send me

the receipt & oblige

Yours very respectfully

Attending you

Leominster March 28. 1848

To the Secretary
of the American Statistical Association
Dear Sir

I hereby inform you that
I am happy to accept the invitation
of the A. S. Association to become a
member of the same, and request you to
enrol my name accordingly. I send
the Initiation fee by the hands of my
friend Doct. S. Jarvis.

Yours Respectfully,
C. C. Field.

to C. Field & Co

March 28

1848



PAID



Edward Garrison, Esq.
Dorchester
Mass.

Charlestown May 12. 1848.

Mr. J. B. Felt.

Recording Secretary of
The American Statistical Association.

Sir,

I am
happy to acknowledge the receipt of your
favor of the 13th ult., informing me of my
election as Fellow of the American Statistical
Association. I thank your Association for
the honor it has conferred upon me, &
accept with pleasure the fellowship.

With respect

your obt. servt.

Richard Frothingham Jr.

Richard Frothingham Jr
May 13, 1848

American Stationer

Printing Society

Rev. J. A. Fall

Boston July 11th 1848

Rev. Joseph B. Felt
Recording Secretary
of the American Statistical Association,

Dear Sir, Your letter, in-
forming me of my election as a
Fellow of the American Statisti-
cal Association, was duly received.
With sincere thanks to the Association
for the honor they have thus conferred
upon me, I accept the Fellowship,

and am with much regard
your obliged friend
& serv^t
David Pulsifer



David Pulsifer
July 11, 1848

Jos. B. Felt Esq

Sir

I rec^d your note informing
me of my election as a fellow of the
American Statistical Association. I did not
receive with the letter the by laws & Constitution
alluded to ⁱⁿ it. Please send them by the bearer
and regard me as accepting the appointment

Respectfully Yours
H. W. Sawyer
20 Essex

Boston July 10. 40.

Frederic W. Sawyer
Esq July 18, 1848

Jos. B. Aelt Esq
Historical
Rooms }

28 Hancock St
24 July 49

My dear Sir

It is with pleasure
I accept the honor
of the election to
the American Sta-
tistical Association
I will endeavor to
conform to the
subject.

Very respectfully
Yours
Wm. L. G. Hunt

Samuel Swett Esq
July 14, 1848

Rev. Joseph B. Felt

Boston

My dear Sir -

Salem July 27 1848

I accept, with great pleasure, the high honor done me, by the American Statistical Association, in electing me their fellow, and although I cannot hope to render any valuable aid to the Society, yet I shall regard it a privilege, to be permitted to add my mite to the valuable mass of information, which they are collecting for the public.

I have been waiting to obtain a copy of your Constitution & that I might know your terms of admission, but have not yet been fortunate enough to obtain one -

Will you do me the favor to enclose one for me -

Very respectfully yrs

Joseph W. Waters

Joseph W. Waters

Rec^d Sec^y Amerⁿ Statist^l }
Association }

To Mr. Joseph G. Waters
July 27, 1848

GENERAL JOB AND CARD PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT,

T. R. MARVIN.

————— No. 24 CONGRESS STREET. —————

EDW. L. BALCH.

Boston, Sept. 29, 1848.

American Statistical Association

To T. R. MARVIN & CO., Dr.

For Printing 500 Notices (Script) ————— \$1.50

Recd Cash.

T. R. Marvin

T. R. Marvin
& Co. Paid
Jan 15, 1849
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JAN 15 1849

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New York Oct: 21, 1848

I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your printed Communication of the 11th Inst, informing me of my Election as Corresponding member of the American Statistical Association, and also a copy of the Constitution and By Laws.

Though my time is so very much engaged as to render it doubtful whether I can do any thing to justify the honor conferred, I nevertheless accept it, and will be pleased to cooperate with the Association in any manner in my power.

Very Respectfully

Geo. H. Priscott

Rev^d J. B. Felt

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Dr John S. Griscom
of N. Y. Oct 31
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Lowminster Jan. 9. 1849

Ms. Felt

Dear Sir

I send you enclosed
two dollars for my assessment, as a
member of the American Statistical Association,
for 1848

Yours Respectfully

C. C. Field

D. C. C. Field
Jan 11, 1849

(Paid)



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Rev. G. B. Felt
Boston

(at the Mass. Historical
Society Rooms)

Worcester Mar 15th 1844

Dear Sir,

A brief allusion, in a late
No of the Boston Courier, to the "Great Snow"
of 1717, brought to mind a MS. letter, ^{in my possession,} from
Eben^e Billing of Dorchester to Cotton Mather,
intreating him to write an account of
the storm, & the remarkable Providences at-
tending it, for the benefit of posterity. As
belonging to a department of Statistics it may
be worth printing.

Respect yours

J. F. H.

P.S. If this will not answer the purpose to fill
the place you referred to in the publication of the
Statistical Socy I will try to think of something else

J. F. H.

Communicated by L. F.
Haven Esq to the Am.
Statistical Assⁿ
Apr 10th 1849

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Dorchester May 24. 1717.

Most Dear and Rev.^d Sir,

The first Family I visited (after my
 sons that lived near me) after my long con-
 finement by the unparalleled snow, was our
 Rev.^d Mr. Man, and with consent we thought
 that when god visits us with such judgments
 that hath not been known in the days of
 old men, nor in of days of their fathers, it is
 agreeable to the will of god that we tell it to
 our children, and they to another generation.
 I told him I did not know any man like
 your self to record the wondrous acts of the
 Lord; and when I had not an opportunity to
 write I took of opportunity by my kinsman
 to desire you to undertake such a service for
 god and your country. In answer I Res.^d yours
 of the 2^d instant, with your good books, for which
 I give you many thanks; am also glad that
 you seem to incline to answer our desire in
 recording the wondrous providences in the late
 storm of snow and wind. Although I have in-
 quired of Indians above 80 years old, and they
 tell me their fathers never told them of such
 a storme, yet I, nor of Rev.^d Mr. Man, have any
 thing considerable to informe you of compar'd
 with the south and western part of the Country.

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Therefore Mr. Men and myself thought it a proper thing to desire the Representatives of the several towns, by the help of their ministers, to send in those things that may be worthy of observation. I think Compton, where my son liveth, hath suffered more than any town in our province. I have desired him to gather up the account thereof. I also think the greatest information may be had from our neighboring plantations where the stroke fell heaviest. It may be proper to write to the most ingenious of Rhode Island and Connecticut, where many thousands of sheep, and hundreds of other Cattel, are lost. I think of Rev. Mr. Adams of New London may be a good author, because I have heard he hath concerned his thought about it, and lives in the center of the wonderful losses and deliverances - taking in the adjacent islands. I can tell you of many strange things that I have heard of, and that I believe have been, but it will be more credible to receive them from such hands as are near to them. I have heard from Compton of many Cattel that their eyes were covered with ice, that they wandered into the sea - of many sheep that perished under the snow - some found alive after several weeks fasting. In other parts of the Country some score have been ^{found} after they had eaten all their wool, and altho they have been lively have perished by cold

for want of clothing, there being no barns in those towns. I have heard of many stray cattell and horses that were covered many fote under the snow, and when the snow hath melted they have been standing on their legs as if they were alive. I have heard, and I think the truth, that ^[at] a poore house, where ⁱⁿ was a man & his wife, with some small children, their chimney was full of snow, a banke in the house covered part of his bed; his children crying for food, he endeavored to go to a house about a mile from him, but being (as he thought) not able to, he returned and again went into bed. The next morning, finding hunger pinch himself as well as his children, he made the second attempt; but having but one suit, which he had wet the day before, his letters, breeches, stockings, and shoes, were so frozen that he made stockings & shoes of new cloth, and put on his wife's petticoat and gown, and upon the second adventure (hunger driving him hard) he got within call of his neighbor, who by the help of snow shoes relieved them. I have also heard of two women and three children forced out by hunger

and cold to attempt a journey to their
next neighbors, but by that time they
gate half way, were all spent, and must
have perished had not god enabled a
lad of seven years old, being lite, and
the snow bore him, and by his mothers
instruction gate to a house, and so of
rest were saved. I have also heard
of a young woman who was, (before if storm)
left by her brother alone in a house, or rather
a cabin under a hill. After some days
the man came to look for his sister, but
could not find his house. But making
his observations by a tree that stood near
it he gate a stick and feeling through the
snow he found his house, then calling aloud
for his sister, and she making no answer,
for fear, not knowing who it was, as she said,
he concluded she was dead. He then gate
a part of a sail, and with much pains got
open the door, and found his sister in her
bed, or cabin, in health. There are many
more strange things I have heard of, and
no doubt the truth of them, and grate
numbers more may be attested by a diligent
and prudent inquiry.

I shall conclude at this time by giving
you an account of some few things that
happened with us beyond what I have

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ever seen before. I need not inform you
when it fell it was concluded to be near
4 foot deep where it was not drove in banks,
but by the violence of the wind the valleys
were filled level with the low hills that
were to windward of them; so that orchards
that were planted in low land suffered
much; the snow being as high as the bows of
the trees and peeling to a crust, when it set-
tled it split the trees all to pieces, and young
nurseries were many of them ruined; besides
much damage by cattell and sheep when
the snow was so hard as to bear them. This
morning I measured the height where my
sheep's wool ^(was) on an apple tree, and they had
peeled the bark of the limbs, and found it
to be eleven foote and an half from the
ground. But in our parts, we having
barns to house our cattell, we did not
suffer as the western towns who fother the
cattell on their meadows. But the poor Deer
that depend on nothing but the swiftness of
their running, and that failing, the poor creatures
were a pray to all ravenous beasts; dogs &
wolves killed them at their pleasure, and
what they did not eat they left to foxes, Ea-
gles, Crows &c. There is a remnant that escaped,

but I think not one in 20. I have nothing
 strange from Armenthew. Their town being
 well provided with snow-shoes, they soon
 relieved such as were shut up. One thing
 Mr Man told me with admiration, viz,
 altho some swin were found dead in a short
 time, there was a man had but two young
 shots, and supposing they were dead, left
 digging for them; but the 2^d day after they
 were covered they made their way out
 of the south side of a snow bank. They had
 lodged about 2 rods back, under an apple tree,
 and for their provision they had only the roots
 of the bushes and of some tansie that happen
 to be in their way; and yet some that saw
 them come out told me there were many
 swine poorer than they.

S.^c I hope this poor account will not
 discourage you for endeavoring to obtain (which
 I hope may be) so large and true account of re-
 markable providences as being well put together
 may well deserve y^e press; and if you will
 undertake it, I doubt not but it will be
 excepted of god, and of men, of this country, and
 of other lands; and it will greatly oblige me,
 who am y^e most unworthy of your friends &
 your most humble ser.^{vt}

Ed.^c Billing

On the back of this letter is the following memorandum,

in the hand-writing of Cotton Mather.

"At Concord a Turkey - a foot from
ye ground - found alive ye 25th day!"

According to the Boston News-Letter, of co-
temporary date, the winter had previously been
mild. The month of January was very moderate
^{in temperature,} & much like Spring weather; but February set
in cold & wintry. Besides several snows, there
was a great one on Monday the 18th day; and on
Wednesday, the 20th, it began to snow about
noon, and continued snowing till Friday
the 22^d; so that the snow lay ^{some parts of} in the streets about
six feet deep. Saturday was a clear ^{sunshine,} ~~day~~, not
a cloud to be seen till towards evening. On
Sunday the 24th ^{came} another deep snow. The paper
of March 4th says, "February ended with snow
and March began with it, the snow so deep
that there is no travelling." The first Post
came in on the 6th of March, "on foot."

The storm extended, with almost equal
violence, throughout New England; and the
snow appears to have continued very deep on
the ground an unusual length of time for that
season of the year. The General Assembly was
provoqued to the 10th of April, instead of meeting
on the 27th of March, and the Superior Court
that should have been held on the last

Tuesday of March, was adjourned to the
23^d of April, on account of "the difficulty and
danger of the road, occasioned by the vast body
of snow still remaining."

Cambridge, Apr. 6th 1849

Dear Sir,
Some time ago I received your letter, informing me that I had been elected a fellow of the American Statistical Association, & I have neglected too long to acknowledge this honor, & to notify you of my acceptance.

By the Constitution I perceive that an admissions fee of \$5 is required from a Fellow such amount is herewith enclosed.

I am, dear Sir,
Very Respectfully yours,

Jared Sparks

Rev. Joseph B. Felt,
Sec. Am. Stat. Assoc.

Fres Jared Sparks
rec April 7, 1849

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Boston April 9. 1849

Rev. Joseph B. Holt, Dear Sir

I send you a Table containing a Statement of the number of passengers from foreign countries, exclusive of those belonging to the United States, arriving in the United States, & registered at our custom-houses, during the 28 years from Oct. 1. 1819 to Sept. 30. 1847, as reported to Congress by the Secretary of State, from the returns of the collectors of the several ^{collections} districts.

As the returns from New York for several quarters, do not specify the place of birth, I have estimated the number from the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland for those quarters. And for want of such specification, it is reasonable to suppose that some fifty thousand should be added to the number of Germans, thus diminishing the number from "other countries".

Most of the foreign passengers come here as immigrants, & settle here permanently; & very few of them are mere travellers, or ever leave this country; ~~so that we may without important error consider the whole number~~

These returns of the collectors are in some respects imperfect. From some of the custom-houses no returns ^{were} received. It is well known that a great number of passengers ^{come} go from

Canada into the States without being registered. I estimate that there should be added to those registered about fifty per cent in order to obtain the whole number of immigrants who have actually come into the country during the 28 years. Such an addition would make the whole number of immigrants amount to nearly 2,400,000 during the 28 years.

From what I have learned I estimate that the proportion of the immigrants to the population of the country, has been, during the whole period since 1790, as great as during the last 28 years.

A large portion of the increase of the population of the United States, has been from the first, & during all the periods of ~~our~~ history, owing to immigration from foreign countries. This element of our increase has been in a great degree overlooked by writers on America; at least very little was definitely known on the subject before 1820.

From the investigations I have made relating to immigration, I have come to the conclusion that during the last thirty years, about 70 per cent of the whole number of immigrants, ~~are of British extract,~~ ~~or~~ came from the British Empire & are of British extract; about 20 per cent from Germany & the North of Europe, & about 10 per cent

from other countries, as France, Spain, Italy, &c., & that
from ^{the first} the proportions have not been materially
different. These proportions give a decidedly pre-
dominating ~~of~~ influence to the British or
English race as modified by the state of things
here during a succession of years.

The history of immigration into the United
States, & of the ~~emigration~~ in the states, has
been from the first most extraordinary. Lord
Durham in his "Report on the Affairs of British
North America", says, "the history of the world
affords no other example" of the amount of
immigration & settlement, "which is to be found
in the United States. Hereafter we shall doubt-
less find that the current of immigration
which of late years has amounted to 300 or
350 thousand persons annually, will continue
& increase for years to come. The agitations in
Europe will ^{probably} induce many to leave their native
country, & the golden attractions of California
will invite others to America; & thus the settle-
ment of our country ^{may be greatly} hastened.

Yours Respectfully
Josep Chittering.

Table, exhibiting the Number & Proportions of the Foreign Passengers from different countries, arriving & registered in the several States & Divisions of the United States, during the 28 years from October. 1819 to September 30. 1847.

	Foreign Countries		United Kingdom		Germany, &c.		Other Countries.	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
States	52,117	3.26	32,368	3.70	151	.04	19,598	6.18
New Hampshire	926	.05	595	.07	3	—	128	.04
+ Massachusetts	97,188	6.08	66,400	7.59	3,686	.91	27,102	8.55
Rhode Island	1,213	.08	318	.03	167	.04	728	.23
Connecticut	1,467	.09	431	.05	278	.07	758	.24
New England	152,711	9.56	100,112	11.44	4,285	1.06	48,314	15.24
+ New York	1,027,695	64.31	639,971	73.13	257,653	63.49	130,071	41.04
New Jersey	6,349	.40	5,828	.66	129	.03	392	.12
Pennsylvania	87,820	5.50	70,588	8.07	10,084	2.48	7,148	2.26
Free States.	1,274,575	79.77	816,499	93.30	272,151	67.06	185,925	58.66
Delaware	3,898	.24	3,792	.43	65	.02	41	.01
Maryland	118,888	7.44	17,972	2.05	24,489	20.82	16,427	5.18
Virginia	4,598	.29	2,111	.24	1,377	.34	1,110	.35
North Carolina	163	.01	57	.01	85	.02	21	—
South Carolina	7,349	.46	3,295	.38	731	.18	3,323	1.05
Georgia	292	.02	199	.02	6	—	87	.02
+ Louisiana	180,591	11.30	29,249	3.34	42,752	10.53	108,590	34.26
Alabama	216	.01	10	—	179	.04	27	.01
Florida	979	.06	325	.04	7	—	647	.23
Texas	4,227	.27	4	—	3,928	.97	295	.09
Dist. of Columbia	2,121	.13	1,608	.19	59	.02	454	.14
+ Slave States	323,322	20.23	58,622	6.70	133,678	32.94	131,022	41.34
+ Free States	1,274,575	79.77	816,499	93.30	272,151	67.06	185,925	58.66
United States	1,597,897	100.	875,121	100.	405,829	100.	316,947	100.

Dr Chickering Commu.
Directed to the State
Apr 10. 1849
U.S. Emigrants

Colleges

The number in the U. S. as given in the American Almanac for this year, is 118. - Many of them however must be small institutions, which scarcely deserve the name.

The number of Students (Undergraduates) in all the colleges may be estimated at about 10,000 - and, including those in preparatory and professional departments, at from 13,000 to 15,000.

Fourteen colleges are under the care of the Rom. Catholics.

The number of colleges in New England is 12: besides the Catholic College at Worcester.

The number of Graduates from these 12 colleges in New England last year was 412: making the whole number of their Alumni from the first 20,370.

The number of Graduates last year from 40 other colleges beyond the bounds of New England, including all in New York, + New Jersey, and the principal ones in Pennsylvania, have been ascertained: - making with those in New England, a total of 1,189.

Revivals in the Colleges.

There have been few in number for several years. During the last year the following colleges have been blessed with the converting influences of the Holy Spirit to a greater or less

extent :

Yale College — William College — Amherst College —
Jacksonville College, Illinois — Wabash College, Indiana — Wit-
tenberg College, Ohio — Farmer College, Ohio — Dickinson Col-
lege, Pa — South-Hanover College, Indiana — Mc Ken-
dra College, Illinois —

It is interesting and important to notice in connec-
tion with this day of prayer, that all these revivals occur-
red in near connection with it — information of every
one being received between the time of the Annual Concert
and the 10th of April following.

The number of converts in six only — out of the nine —
is given — making an aggregate of 145.

It is stated by verbal information that there is at the
present time an interesting revival in Beloit College — an in-
fant institution at Wisconsin.

Frequency & Power of College Revivals.

In Yale College, during the Century ending 1841, — 20 revivals
in 14 of which it is known that more than 300 students
were converted.

The converts in six Revivals in Dartmouth College
numbered 170.

In Middlebury College from its foundation to 1840
a period of 40 years, there were 10 revivals, and about
160 hopeful conversions.

There have been 6 or 7 revivals in Amherst College
since 1821 when it was founded; and not less than 450
hopeful conversions.

The year 1831 was most remarkable - During that year and nearly at the same time there were revivals in from twelve to fifteen of the Colleges: and the number of hopeful converts was between three and four hundred.

Within six years after this concert of Prayer for Colleges was established there were revivals in 14 different Colleges, in which there had been numbered about 4,300 conversions among the students.

Among the fruit of College Revivals are such names as Hopkins, Edwards, Dwight, Gordon Hall, Grant, Connelley, Nevins.

Rev. S. P. Riddell

It is stated by verbal information that there is at present time an interesting revival in that college - an institution at Wisconsin.

Frequency & Power of College Revivals

At Yale College, during the century ending 1840, 20 revivals were effected, in 14 of which 10,000 converts were effected.

The converts in six Revivals in Dartmouth College numbered 1000.

At Vincennes College, from its foundation to 1840 a period of 40 years, there were 10 revivals, and about 10000 hopeful conversions.

There have been 600 revivals in Amherst College since 1821 when it was founded; and not less than 100000 hopeful conversions.

Theological Seminaries

Number who have entered the ministry from 11 of the principal Seminaries, viz. Princeton, Andover, Union, Auburn, Bangor, Yale, East Windsor, Newton, Lane, Western Reserve, & Western Theological Seminary, this year, 176 - At the same Institutions last year 191

Number of Students now in the Seminaries:

Lane Seminary, & Western Theological Seminary [O. S.] have not been heard from, this year: and Newton is not included. The other eight above named, have a total of 464. Last year the same Institutions had 462. - So that from the most comprehensive survey we can take, it appears that the number of Theol. Students is maintained about where it was last year

In the six Principal Seminaries of the Congregational and New School Presbyterian Churches, however, in which it was ascertained, last year, that there had been a regular decrease of Students going on for six years, amounting to ^{two} ~~four~~ fifths of the whole, the number is still a little less than last year. So that the number in these Seminaries, which in 1841 stood at 581 is now reduced to 297.

These Seminaries are Andover, Auburn, Bangor, Yale, East Windsor, & Union Theo. Sem., New York.

In view of the present deficiency of Candidates preparing for the ministry the Gen Assembly of Pres. Church (Old School) appointed the 1st Sabbath of November for all their Pastors to preach & pray on the subject

Rev Samuel E.
Riddell - on
Colleges - Theological
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Hampden June 4th 1849. -

Sir

In April last I had the honor to receive at your hands a notification that the American Statistical Association had imposed upon me the unexpected distinction of Electing me a fellow of their honorable body.

I accept this honor with the greatest pleasure from the hope that it will be in my power to advance the objects of your Association, and I beg leave to assure you that I shall neglect no opportunity of doing so. -

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Jos. D. Felt. Esq.
Secy. & Secretary
American Statistical Assoc.

} Yours &c

Jos. M. Wilby, Jr.

Geo. Brimley Jr Esq
June 4, 1849

To the American Statistical Association.

The committee to whom was referred, at the quarterly meeting of this society in April last, the subject of the error in the reports of the Lunatic Hospital at Worcester, Massachusetts, respectfully report.

They were instructed, by a vote of this society, to make this a matter of as little publicity as was consistent with the obtaining the desired reform.

The chairman, being a personal friend of Mr George Chandler, the Superintendent of the Hospital, was requested to write a private letter to him, explanatory of the defects in the past reports and ask for greater care & accuracy hereafter: and if satisfactory answer and assurance of the future should be obtained from Mr Chandler, no further action should be taken.

But, if this should not be obtained from Mr Chandler, the committee were instructed to communicate with the Trustees and ask their interference.

If then the Trustees should not give satisfactory assurance of correctness in the future reports, the committee were instructed to lay the matter before the next Legislature and then have the whole matter investigated.

In accordance with these instructions, the chairman wrote the accompanying letter to Mr Chandler & received from him the accompanying answer; which, being satisfactory precludes the necessity of any further action.

Leaville Dec 10th July 1859.

Edmund Jarvis Chairman

To Dr. George Chandler Worcester.

Rochester Mass. 16th June 1849.

Dear Sir, I take pleasure in thanking you for your kindness in sending me your reports last winter & in the previous years. I have always read the Worcester Hospital Reports with great interest & profit.

I have made much use of the numerical statements in my calculations in regard to vital statistics & was happy to avail myself of such a large supply of facts to sustain my deductions.

In order to determine the effect of early and of late treatment upon the curability of the insane, I analysed all the first or serial tables, which describe each individual, into classes, whose disease was 1 week 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. & 12 months & 2. 5. 10. & 20 years standing before entering the Hospital.

Afterward, on comparing my classes under 1 year, with the statements in the tables of the recent cases, I found they did not agree, and there was the same want of correspondence in the results of counting the old cases or those of 1 year and more with the summaries. And, on comparing these with the statements of the old and recent cases in the general summary in table no. 12 of the 16th Report and in the corresponding table in the previous Reports, I discovered the same want of agreement.

I therefore take the liberty to present to you these facts as they occurred to me.

In the following tables, the first row of figures, after the year, includes those whose cases were of less than one year.

standing as ascertained from the first or table of individuals. The second is taken from the tables of admission, generally table no 1, but no. 11, for the last five years. The third is copied from the table no. 12, page 48 of the 16th Report.

The "unknown" are included in the chronic class previous to 1846, and for the last 3 years, they are stated separately.
Recent cases, of less than one year previous to admission.

	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849
1st or Serial table	44	66	52	57	72	79	73	76	91	113	124	135	160	168	160	152	162
1st Summary	48	64	55	60	73	82	84	75	84	109	129	131	156	167	159	149	162
Gen. Summary table 12, Report 16th.	41	56	48	54	72	82	84	75	81	106	129	127	156	167	157	142	157

+ This is 49 in the gen. Summary of 1838, p. 40 & 41.
This is 73 in the Summary of 1837, p. 38, 39, 40, & 41.

Chronic or old cases, of one year or more previous to admission, including "unknown" to 1845.

	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849
1st or Serial table	109	53	61	68	96	98	106	86	42	85	96	101	133	88	64	109	14
1st Summary in all Reports	105	55	58	65	95	95	95	87	79	89	96	105	137	88	72	105	14
Table 12, Report 16, Gen. Summary	120	68	65	71	96	95	95	84	82	92	91	109	147	90	68	113	14

Cases whose duration was unknown previous to admission.

	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849
1st or Serial tables	9	9	5	5	6	11	2	9	4	6	3	13	14	21	16	0	13
1st Summary in all Reports														22	9	7	
Gen. Summary table 12, Report 16.	12	8	7	6	5	13	2	1	4	7	5	11	19	20	15	6	14

+ This is 6 in the Reports of 1836, 7, 8, 9, 40 & 41
This is 9 in Report of 1845.

These clerical and typographical errors are less frequent in the late than in the earlier reports

In the 9th Report, in table 13, the number of recent cases is stated to be 595, in page 69 - 1st line below table 21, it is 556. The whole number admitted up to Nov. 30th. 1841, is stated in table 4, to be 1359, in table 13 according to duration of disease, it is 1366, and according to ages it is 1361; in table 6, according to classification it is 1296, and in table 7, according to season of admission, it is 1346.

In the 8th Report, the number of recent cases is stated in table 11, to be 574, in table 13 and on page 55, it is 493. The number of cases between 1 and 5 years standing is, in table 11, 359, and in table 13 and on page 55 it is 382. The whole number admitted is, in tables 7 and 11, according to time of admission 1183, to duration of disease 1203, to age 1198, to civil condition 1196, and, adding ^{7. to the number, remaining in} the number discharged in table 4, we have 1160.

The principle of classification is variously described in different reports and, in all, the language leaves some doubt as to its meaning.

In the 1st Report, the classes, are "one year or less" and "one year or more". In the 2d Report, they are "Recent" and "Old". In the 3d and 4th Reports, they are "Less than one year" and "Old". In all the subsequent Reports, they are "Less than one year." and "More than one year." These descriptions include those of just one years standing in both classes in 1833, and in neither of the classes of the reports of 1839 and the following years. On analysing the serial table, I find that those cases of one

years standing are included in the chronic class. Would it not be well hereafter to describe the classes. "The recent under one year" and "Chronic 1 year & over"? Which would include all and leave no doubt in the minds of those who read hastily.

There is a want of fixed principle of arrangement in some of the tables. As, in table 6, of the 14, 15 & 16 Reports, the whole number discharged includes the recovered, improved and stationary, the deaths and elopements, except in 1849, when the elopements are left out. In table 7 of the same report, the "Discharges" do not include the deaths except in 1844, 46, 47, & 48, when they are included.

The ratio of mortality, as in table 14, page 52, of the 16 Report, is calculated upon the basis of the whole number in the Hospital for the separate years, and on the basis of the numbers admitted for the whole term of 16 years, and thus the singular anomaly is presented of the average of the whole being more than double the average of the parts.

In determining the force of mortality, by ratio of deaths to the living population, the average number of permanent residents is usually assumed as the basis of calculation. If this principle were assumed in the mortuary calculation in regard to Lunatic Hospitals, and the per centage of deaths given in proportion to the average numbers of residents as in column 3, table 5, of your 16th report, then, the percent of deaths would be for the several years 3.7 - 6.8 ~~3.9~~ 6.4 6.6 - 6.29 - 5.52 - 7.58 - 9.86 - 6.55 - 5.15 - 5. - 9. - 5.74 - 7.59 - 10.58 - 7.95 - & 7.42, and for the whole 16 years 7.28 percent.

If the calculations are made upon this basis, we can then

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easily compare the force of mortality upon the insane with that upon persons in general society.

These mistakes of the clerk and the printers, and the discrepancies in principles of arrangement, have been for some time, noticed by some of the friends of the Hospital and of its officers, and by others, who use your facts in their calculations in regard to life, disease, and mortality. I, once, spoke of them to my friend Dr. Woodward, but the pressure of all absorbing care prevented his following his clerk in regard to all these numerical details, and they were not all corrected.

As the first or Serial table is supposed to be an exact copy of the original record of the facts that were presented, would it not be well now to let your clerk analyze it again, and thus determine the classification with precision, for your summaries hereafter?

There are some other matters, which, if stated in your reports would be useful to statistical science, and would gratify many; such as a classification of all the patients according to the duration of their disease, and to the time or years of their entering the Hospital.

Thus I have before me a table, which I prepared from the 1st or Serial tables, and which I used to illustrate the progress of public opinion in regard to the early treatment of the insane, and the influence of your reports in effecting this gradual change of opinion, as this table is now before me I copy it.

6. *Members and proportions of admissions at the Worcester Hospital, arranged according to periods of four years each.*

<u>Duration of Disease before admission</u>	1833. 34. 35. 36.		1837. 38. 39. 40.		1841. 42. 43. 44.		1845. 46. 47. 48.		1853 to 58. 16 years	
	No. Admitted	per. cent. of all Admitted	No. Admitted	per. cent. of all Admitted	No. Admitted	per. cent. of all Admitted	No. Admitted	per. cent. of all Admitted	No. Admitted	per. cent. of all Admitted
1 week	16	3.	13	1.9	48	5.8	81	7.5	158	5.
1 month & under	73	14.3	80	11.6	192	23.5	268	25.	613	19.
3 months & under	159	31.1	196	28.5	332	40.6	474	42.	1161	39.
11 months & under	219	42.9	300	43.7	463	56.6	640	59.7	1622	52.5
1 year & over	291	57.1	386	56.2	354	43.3	431	40.2	1462	47.5
Totals	510		686		819		1091		3084	

+ The hundredths are omitted.

This table shows a very gratifying increase of attention to the early care of the insane, as the recent class began with 42 per cent and ended with 59 per cent.

I should like to see such a table as this published in your reports. Yet I should be very unwilling to have this copy printed, until it shall be again revised lest there may be some error yet undiscovered.

I have also a table before me, which I prepared for my own use, in which I have divided all the cases admitted into your hospital into classes, according to the duration of the disease - 1 week over one week to 1 month. Over 1 month to 3 months, over 3 to 6 months, 7 months, 8 months, 9 months, 10 months, 11 months, 12 months. Over 1 to 2 years, over 2 to 5 years, over 5 to 10 years, over 10 to 20 years, over 20 years and unknown. And these are arranged into the 16 years of admission.

7.

If this table is of any use to you, it is at your service, subject however to the same conditions as the preceding.

Your Hospital has taken the highest stand and its officers and its reports have had very great influence, and done great good in regard to the treatment of insanity. The statements and the principles which have been therein published have been received with great veneration. The tables are drawn up with much apparent care and the deductions very minutely drawn even to the fraction of an integer. It is therefore the more necessary that no discoverable discrepancy between the figures and the data should, in the least degree impair the credibility of the reports.

These mistakes, which I have pointed out, do not militate with any of the principles taught by you or Dr. Woodward; but any want of harmony between the different parts of the same report, or between the different reports that relate to the same facts might, with some, throw a doubt over the deductions that are drawn from them. And both you and your friends cannot fail to be anxious, that all the reports that emanate from you and your institution should be as correct in fact as sound in philosophy and have the unreserved confidence of all.

I have therefore taken this liberty to call your attention to these matters; and I hope, that your clerk may be guarded against their repetition; and I still farther trust that the government will allow the future reports to be printed at Worcester, under your own eye, and thus many of the typographical

mistakes may be avoided.

Trusting, that I have not intruded too much upon your time, and wishing you all prosperity in your high vocation,

I am Dear Sir,

Very respectfully,

Yours.

Edward Jarvis.

9.
State Lunatic Hospital

Worcester June 25th 1840.

Dear Doctor,

I thank you for your letter of a revision of the Reports of this Hospital. I had no idea that there could be so many errors in them as you have pointed out.

In our future reports I will be more critical and I hope they will be improved from the suggestions made in your letter.

There is some difficulty in getting at the facts in cases of insanity from their friends. And, after our records are partly made up, we often learn other facts about the case or friend that we have made some erroneous statements about them.

Reliable Statistics are the sources of our knowledge.

For the interest you take in this Hospital, I am, Dear Doct. much obliged to you.

yours, truly,

Geo. Chandler.

Defects of the Reports of the
State Lunatic Hospital
from 1833 to 1848

By D. Jarvis
July 11, 1849

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Milwaukee, Wis.,
Jan. 7, 1850.

My Dear Sir,

The reception of a notice of
the meeting of the Statistical Association on
Wednesday, leads me to say, that I am
so irregular in my attendance, (owing
to absence from the city,) & so that so
limited, unhappily, in my personal
acquaintance with the members,
I must respectfully ask, not to be a
candidate for re-election to the
Vice Presidency. With unabated in-
terest in the Society, & gratitude for
its kind consideration, I am, my dear
Sir, very respectfully & truly yours,
Peper Anderson.

Rev R. Anderson D.D.

Jan 17. 1850

That a committee of three be appointed, who shall take into consideration the expediency of memorializing the Secretary of the Home Department of the United States and asking the secretary to cause enquiries to be made throughout the nation in regard to all the members of United Societies and to publish the results of these enquiries annually with the other statistics that emanate from that Department.

That if the said committee ~~prefer~~ think it best to prepare such a memorial, they do so at their earliest convenience, and send a copy to the Secretary of the Home Department, and send another copy of the same to this Association at its next quarterly meeting, as well as report all their doings in regard to this subject.

Motion by D. Jarvis
Jan 9 1850

Memorial to Secy
of Home Department
U. S. — Vital Statis-
tics. —

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Boston 17 Jan 50

Rev. Jos. B. Felt

My dear Sir

For the honor of being
elected one of the Vice
Presidents of the American
Statistical Association
I beg them to accept my
grateful acknowledgments
& I will do all in my power
to perform the duties of the
Office & to promote the
highly important objects of
the Association.

Very respectfully
Yours,
J. W. Sweet

1150.

THE
TRUSTEES
OF THE
Boston Athenæum

Have received "Collections of the American Sta-
tistical Association. Vol. I." Boston: 1847. 8°.

A GIFT

from the American Statistical Association,
for which, on behalf of the Institution, they return a grateful
acknowledgement.

W. S. Cary, President.
Boston, 23 March, 1850.

Placed in the Library.

Charles Folsom, Librarian.

New Haven Dec. 2. 1880

Gentlemen

I had the honor of receiving
some weeks ago your kind letter in which I am
informed your Society has unanimously elected me
an honorary member.

Respect and gratitude I deeply feel
the extent of this compliment & that I will cooperate
in the noble purposes of your association with all
my heart & in all its fields of labor.

I shall take great pleasure in directing
your Society the monthly numbers of my
Magazine, which is devoted by me to Statistical
Matters & I found you have by mail my first
Report of the Bureau of Statistics & shall furnish
other documents as I may obtain them to

Yours truly

Joseph B. Felt Sec.

Boston Statistical Society

J. D. DeBor

J. B. D. De Bow Esq
New Orleans. La
Dec. 1850



Joseph B. Felt Esq
Boston Statistical Society
Boston Mass.



General Register Office 1850 Dec. 5

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Sir

I esteem it a great honour to have
been elected an Honorary Member of
the American Statistical Association. And

shall ~~feel~~ feel greatly obliged by your
conveying my thanks to the members.

It will also be a great
pleasure to me to be of any assistance
to you - in carrying out Statistical Inquiries,
which more than any other require
associated labor.

I will endeavor to forward
copies of any of our Reports - which I think
worth interest you - I have the honor

to be
Sir

Yours very faithfully
William Fow

J. B. Felt Esq

Sec. Secretary to Statistical Association
Boston

Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.

prepaid

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Rev. Jos. B. Felt



Recording Secretary
to American Statistical
Association
Boston
America

Der Schattuck - Jannis - L. Schattuck
Clarke - Brooks - Kiele - Blunt -
Leff - Rhorntow - Salt



Wm Farr Esq
London - Dec. 1850



Missionary House,
April 9, 1851.

My dear Sir,

I was exceedingly
abused from you last week-
ing, & regret that I must be
also from this. We have a
committee meeting, & my
presence happens to be es-
sential to the business of
the meeting. - I do not re-
gard my presence important
to the meeting of the Association,
but I will not to be thought
neglectful of my duty.

Very respectfully yours,

Mr J. B. Felt

Peper Anderson.

Smithsonian Institution, Washington City.

June 20, 1857.

Sir:

We have this day forwarded to Messrs. J. P. Jewett & Co, Boston subjects to your order, a parcel containing the second volume of Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, as a present from the Smithsonian Institution to the American Statistical Association. You will please communicate with the above mentioned firm in respect to the mode in which you wish the parcel to be sent to you. An acknowledgement to the Institution of the reception of the volume, immediately on its arrival, is particularly requested.

In return for its own publications, the Smithsonian Institution desires copies of all printed matter which may be issued by the Association

It is deemed of much importance to possess the memoirs, transactions, and annual reports of Societies and Associations, catalogues of Officers and Students of Colleges and Academies, catalogues of Libraries and Collections, public documents of States and Territories, miscellaneous tracts, &c. Nothing should be considered too trivial for transmission; and back numbers of series, in addition to those of current years are requested to be furnished, when possible. Meteorological registers are also desired.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

Joseph Henry
Sec. S. I.

Rev. Joseph B. Fell,

My Dear Sir,

I accept, with great pleasure
the place of Corresponding Member of the American
Statistical Association, to which I have
been chosen by that Body. Be pleased to
inform me of the publications made by the
Association, or rather, be so good as to send
me copies of all of them & let me know the
amount due for them. The copy of the
Constitution & By Laws have not as yet
reached me.

Albany,

July 12. 1857.

I remain very respectfully
Yours,
J. Stoney & Beal

T. R. Beek
1857

JOB PRINTING

Boston, Jan 7 8, 1852

American Statistical Association

To... T. R. MARVIN & E. L. BALCH, Dr.

For Printing 300 Notices

\$2.25

Received Payment, T. R. Marvin & E. L. Balch

Murvin & Balch
Bill - ag. Am
Statistical Assn
Jan 7 9 1852
\$2425

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Resolved, That this Association sincerely
regrets the retirement of Dr. George C.
Shattuck from the office which he has
so long and acceptably filled; and that
our hearty thanks be presented to him
for the very satisfactory and able manner
in which he has presided at the meetings
and over the councils of this society ~~for~~
~~the past six years,~~ ~~for a time,~~ for the
valuable aid and efficient services which
he has rendered the Association in the
publishing and distribution of its printed
collections; and, especially, for the great interest
he has ever felt and exhibited in its
welfare and prosperity.

Resolved, That this vote be entered upon the
Journal of the Association, and that a copy
of the same, signed by the President and
Secretary, be communicated to Dr.
Shattuck.

Resolves offered by D^r N. B.
Shurtleff, relative to the
resignation of Dr Shattuck
as Pres^t - Jan^y 14, 1852

Andover, Me., 13th 1852

My Dear Sir,

My omission to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter, informing me of my election as a member of the "Statistical Society" has been due to protracted ill health which has compelled me to suspend my correspondence. —

It affords me high gratification to become a member of the Association, and I shall always be ready to labor for the promotion of its most worthy objects, in any department, that may be assigned to me.

I remain Dear Sir,

Very Truly Yours &c &c

Henry B. Wheelwright

Rev. J. B. Felt &
Boston

To Samuel Shattuck, Esq.

Sacramento 18th March 1852.

Dear Sir,

Some time during the past year, you were authorized by the American Statistical Association to procure from London a complete set of the Journal of the London Statistical Society, & fifty dollars were put into your hands for that purpose.

It was understood that you would be able to attend to this matter immediately & that the association would only enjoy the advantage of those books. It is now many months since you undertook this commission, & nothing has, as yet been heard from you in respect to the books.

Will you be good enough to inform me, by early mail, whether you have taken measures to obtain those books & how soon we may expect them.

But if you have not sent for the books, will you pay to the Treasurer the fifty dollars which you have received so that the association may take other measures to obtain those journals for their immediate use. our oblig'd

Very truly yours

Edward Jarvis,
President
Am. Statist. Assoc.

Letter of the President to Dr. Shattuck
in respect to funds for purchase of
London Statistical Society's Reports
March 14. 1852

Received of the Treasurer
of the Society the sum of
\$100.00

Dr. Shattuck
\$100.00
Total \$100.00

Done at the
meeting of the
Society
March 14. 1852

Copy. of Petition sent to Ho. Representatives
and of Hon. Robert Howland. A similar
petition was sent to the Senate care of Mr. Sumner.
To the Honorable The Senate and The House of Representa-
tives of the U.S. in Congress assembled.

The petition of the Am. Statist. Assoc. respectfully
represents that this society was established at Boston, Mass.
in 1839. for the purpose of collecting, diffusing, & preserving knowl-
edge information in the different departments of human knowl-
edge. Especially is it their object to gather all those facts that
pertain to man, his development, conditions & progress.

This association has been in active operation
13 years. They have given much assistance to the investi-
gation of the history and statistics of our country, to the study
of its people, of its various interests & of the movements of
population. and they have published some reports upon
these topics. They rendered aid in devising the plan
for the taking the census of 1850 at the request of the
Secretary of the census Board.

In pursuance of their objects they have made & are
making efforts to gather into their library all the publications
& private documents that will illustrate the statistical
History of Nations, States, Towns, all that will illustrate
the conditions of the people, the progress of population,
the variations of health & mortality, the state & progress
of comm. finance, banking, agriculture, manufactures,
education, pauperism, crime & all the other conditions & other
other interests of the world.

They desire therefore to possess the publications of our National Government, all the Journals, Reports, & documents of both Houses of Congress, and of the Executive departments. But as yet, they have been able only to obtain an occasional report sent to them by some friend at Washington.

Your Memorialists believe, that it is in the honor of our Government, that its Records & documents should be everywhere read, and for the advantage of the people, that as many as possible should have access to them. They have no doubt, that it is the intention of Congress, that their publications should be distributed through the nation and especially, that they should be deposited where they will be permanently & safely kept and duly & judiciously used, by those who would feel an interest in, & profit by, them.

By a resolution, passed on the 27th Decr. 1813, Congress granted one copy of the Public Journals of the Senate & Ho. Representatives of the then present & every future Congress to the Hist. Soc. then incorporated & which shall be incorporated in each State at the next session, Congress made a similar grant to the Am. Antiquarian Soc.

Within the period since those grants, the population of the U.S. has trebled & the population of Mass. has more than doubled: the interest in statistical inquiry, the objects of their researches,

the demands for knowledge, and the means of acquiring it have increased in a much greater ratio than the number of our people.

Our literary & scientific societies are pursuing their work with more & more zeal & success, ~~and~~ they are in active correspondence with similar societies and with individuals abroad, who want information in respect to our people & the statistics of this country, and are willing to supply us with the same class of facts in respect to For. Nations.

Your memorialists, then respectfully ask, that your Hon. Body would grant to them, for their use & for perpetual deposit, in their library, the Journals & documents of the Executive Department, and of the Senate & House of Representatives of the present & of every future Congress.

Your memorialists would further ask, that if there be duplicate copies of such Journals & documents in the storehouses of the Capitol, that our copy of such as may have been printed since this incorporation in 1839 may also be granted to them.

By vote of the Association
Signed Edward Jarvis President

Joseph B. Zett Secretary

Boston Mass

Apr. 14. 1852

Copy of a Petition to the House
of Representatives April 1852

Sent to Hon Robert Montross of the
House. & to Hon Charles Sumner
of the Senate Apr. 19. 1852

Edw. Garrison

Copy

To the Hon. Thomas Erskine, Commissioner of Patents
Sir

The American Statistical Association
have observed, with deep interest and gratitude, the efforts
which are made by the department over which you so
honorably preside to gather & to publish so many facts in
respect to the conditions and progress of the mechanical arts
and agriculture. Your correspondence seems to reach every
corner of the land and your means of obtaining information
seem to be commensurate with our whole country.

While this association would thank you for
your labors & their excellent results, in these departments
of human action, they would respectfully suggest, for your
consideration, one other topic of inquiry, that is the person-
al conditions, the health, and the longevity of man, in the va-
rious parts of our country, the various kinds of localities,
and in the various conditions of life.

It is well known, that the value of human life, in its
intensity, its power and its duration, differs, not only in differ-
ent individuals, but in different communities, & in different
places. It differs with employments, with social and domestic
conditions, and with personal habits. It differs in various years
& in various ages of the world, and probably in various races of men.

The means & results of agriculture differ not more than
man strength & health. The value of cattle - this value for labor
or for food - horses, oxen, sheep, swine - animal life in any of its
varieties differs not more than the power of man.

Copy of a memorial addressed to the
Commissioner of Patents and him to
make inquiry inquiring. April 1852

The productivity of soils, the yield of seeds, the advantage of tools, of utensils, of machinery are not more widely various than the power of the men who cultivate or use them and for whom they are employed or employed.

Calculations, founded on the registration reports of Prof. of N. York. show, that the average duration of life of persons, dying in the years reported, was of farmers 60.8 years. out of door mechanics 50.21. years. indoor active mechanics 49.36 years and of sedentary indoor mechanics 38.3 years.

Calculations founded on the Census of 1840 render it probable, that the value of life in this country diminishes with the diminution of latitude.

The few facts already known, and the few inferences already drawn from them show that there is a vast field yet to be investigated, and that enquiry should be extensively and minutely made, in order to learn the circumstances amidst which the influences under which man's strength is best developed, his strength best maintained & his life protracted to the greatest extent.

It seems to this association, that this is a subject worthy of the attention of Government, that an enquiry might be advantageously made through some of the public offices, as to the health of various localities, the prevailing diseases, the endemic influences, the mortality & the longevity of the people, and the results of these enquiries might be published in each year, in the same manner as the agricultural statistics of with equal advantage.

Our Government has taken great pains to ascertain the condition of the external interests of the people. It has surveyed the surface of the earth, the course & depth of the rivers, the windings & the depths of the ocean bordering upon the land. It has sought out the facilities of manufacture of commerce, of transportation, and learned the kinds of productivity of soils in various parts of the country, and what grain or vegetation can be produced thereon, & at what comparative cost. The effect of all these conditions & circumstances thus learned by the agency of the officers of government, upon property & prosperity, is printed and clearly & extensively revealed to the people. And they are thus taught, here & where they can invest capital to the best advantage, where they can engage in external or internal navigation - find coal or iron, raise cotton, wheat, corn or tobacco, and at what comparative cost. All this is well planned & well done, and the people are receiving & will continue to receive due profit in the management of their business and money. For this provident instruction given by our Government.

There is now that other matter, equally important to the ~~man~~ ^{man's} prosperity & more important to the man himself, that is his own health & strength & life to be investigated.

It is surely desirable to know what effect all the conditions & circumstances thus revealed will have in enervating or diminishing human power, as well as in augmenting profits - whether the lands that are stated to be productive in grain, or cotton & therefore advantageous to the

purposes are also favorable to his health & life.

This association believe, that the same skill & energy, which your department applies so successfully to the elucidation of the agricultural & mechanical interests of the people, could also be applied, with the same success and advantage to the elucidation of their vital condition.

It is not to be supposed, that the answers to your enquiries will be immediately perfect, & satisfactory. But like those other investigations which you now conduct, they will grow better & better, & in process of time, may be all that we may desire & always profitable.

By this means we shall learn the progress of population, the increase or decline of worship & influence, the effect of clearing the country, draining the wet lands and of cultivation upon human health.

For these & other reasons, this association earnestly commends this subject to your especial consideration, with the confident hope that you will find means to carry the plan into execution.

My vote of the Association

We

Signed

Eduard Jarvis President

Joseph B. Tappan Secretary

Brookline April 15. 1852

NEW YORK STATE LIBRARY



Regents of the University of the State of New York
(ex officio)

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE LIBRARY

Sir

Albany June 24. 1852

For the Library of the American
Statistical Association

Documentary History of New York, 4 vols 800
Laws, Journals & Documents of the State for
New York for 1830. Laws 1. Journals 2. Documents
Senate. 3. Assembly 8. Total 14
(vol 3 of Assembly Documents cannot be
Attained)

Laws, Journals & Documents of 1831,
Laws 1. Journals 3. Documents. Senate 3
Assembly 6. Total 13

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5th 6th & 7th Reports of Prison Association
Report on Mount Pleasant State Prison 1847, 1848,
Report of Clinton State Prison ^{1835,} 1847,
Report of Auburn State Prison 1847
2nd Annual Report Inspector of State Prisons 1830
Report on the State Prisons 1832,
Annual Reports on Commercial Statistics 1847, 1840, 1850-1857
Report on Abolition of Capital Punishment 1847
Report on the Poor 1850, 1844
Reports of Commissioners of Emigration 1850-51-52.
Reports of Western House of Refuge 1830 & 1837
20th Report on Juvenile Delinquents 1830
Annual Report Physician of Marine Hospital 1850
Report on Onondaga Salt Spring 1841, 1844, 1848, 1849, 1850,
1851-1852
Annual Reports of Comptroller 1840-1848-1849-1857.
Regents' Reports 1838, 1841, 1842, 1848, 1849, 1850, 1857, 1852
Rail ^{road} Statistics 1848, 1850
Plain Road Statistics 1850
Report on Common Schools 1841, 1849, 1857,
Instructions of the Regents 1849,
Reports on Deaf & Dumb 1836, 1846, 1840, 1850, 1857,
Reports on Blind 1845, 1850
Reports on Normal School 1846, 1848, 1850, 1852.
Reports on Astor Library 1850-51-52

Reports of Commissioners of Canal Funds 1852
Reports of Canal Commissioners 1852
Report on Tolls, Tonnage 1851.
Stryker's American Register, vol 2. 3. 4.
Catalogue of Maps & Surveys

In the box is, also put a similar set
of laws, journals & documents for 1830. 14 vols
of laws, journals & documents for 1857. 13 vols,
& in many instances, duplicates of the above

Reports. These duplicates are intended for
Mr. Jarvis, who desires to send them to the Statistical
Society of London

To the Corresponding Secy of the
American Statistical Association
Sir

At the instance of Mr. Jarvis, I
have gone through all the public documents, ^{in my office,}
collected copies of every thing ordered for your

Society, of which I beg the acceptance in
behalf of the Regents of the University.

Respectfully,

J. Romeo Beck

Regents of the University
of N.Y.
June 1852

Lowell, Oct. 13th 1852.

Rev. Mr. Felt.

Dear Sir.

I regret exceedingly that an Adjournment of a Board of Directors of an Insurance Comp. this P.M. of which I am Pres^r I cannot leave - will prevent my attendance at your meeting this day. I had prepared an Article of some length on the Foreign Population of this City to read at your meeting this day and am sorry that another engagement which did not come up till yesterday, will prevent - I will improve this evening & bring it in next Meeting. -

Yours & Nathans Allen.

Dr Nathan Allen
No Oct 13 1852

Rev. J. B. Felt.

Map. Historical Rooms
- our Savings Bank -

Paid

Fremont Boston.

Boston July 14. 1853

Dear Sir

Yours of yesterday informing me that
I have been elected a Fellow of the
American Statistical Association is
at hand. I accept the Fellowship
with much satisfaction, and am

Very respectfully

Yours Obedtly

Amasa Walker

J. B. Felt Esq.

Recd Say St

Boston.

Amasa Walker Esq^r

Rec^d Jan 15 1853

Am. S. Aps^m

Wyching Jan 15 - 1853
Strominster Can 4. 53

Dear Sir.

If the Publishing
Committee should think my
Communication worth publishing,
certainly I should prefer to
revise it, as I had not thought
of its publication.

To Rev. Joseph B. Felt. Respectfully yours
C. C. Field

Send address me in
Boston - 1853

Roxbury Jan 15. 1853

Rev. J. B. Felt

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt
of your favor of 13th
inst & should be pleased
to be a fellow of the
Am. Statistical Association
yrs. very respectfully
Saml. A. Walley

Please address me in
Boston - 1853.

Leominster March 4. '53

Mr. Felt

Dear Sir,

Please send up
"The Statistics of Combustion" by
the Brewer, Joseph S. Darling Esq.,
our Representative.

I have never seen any of your
publications, and am totally ignorant of
the shape or form desirable. Any
specimens to guide me somewhat, or
any hints or criticisms from yourself
would be gratefully received.

If they are worth publishing, they
ought to be put in the most useful
and proper shape.

Would it not be well to strike
out entirely the page enclosed in
brackets?

In haste

Very Respectfully yours

C. C. Field.

over Saving Bank
Fremont St

Rev. Joseph B. Felt.
Boston

By Mr. J. S. Darling. (Rep.)

Dr. E. C. Felt
recd March 5, 1853.



Boston Feb 22. 1854

Dear Sir,

I wish you would no longer consider me a member of the Boston Statistical Society as I cannot find leisure to attend any of the meetings.

I am Sir

respectfully yours
John T. Sleeper

Mr. Felt -

Boston -

John S. Sleeper Esq
Feb 22 1854

Litchfield, Conn., Apr. 8, 1854.

Rev. Joseph B. Felt;

My Dear Sir - A year or two since, I intended to have presented to the "American Statistical Society" a copy of my "Biographical Sketches of Natives and Residents of Litchfield County, Connecticut," through my friend, Dr. Josiah Curtis. Did he deliver it to you, or to the Librarian of your Society? If not, I will direct Mr. Drake to have you a copy.

I am preparing for the press a volume entitled - "The History and Antiquities of the Name and Family of Kilbourne in Europe and America." In addition to a Genealogy of the Family, with biographies, portraits, &c., I design to have descriptions, plans, views, history, &c., of towns, villages, & edifices that bear or have borne the name of Kilbourne, Kilburn, or Kilburn. Can you give me any hints on the subject, or information, or sources of information?

What are the terms and qualifications of membership to your Society?

Your obt. Servant,

J. K. Kilbourne.

Laleen April 10. 54.

Dear Sir,

I have not been able to attend any of
the meetings of the "A. Stat. Assoc.", but hope
and trust you are doing some good;
and in this belief am happy to enclose for
you the sum of \$4. being my assessment for
'52 & '53. I do not know who your treasurer
is, or I would not trouble you in the
matter. If you will please see to it, that my
assessments for these years are marked as
paid you will much oblige

Yours very truly
Huntington.

Litchfield, Conn., Apr. 13. 54.

Rev. J. B. Felt:

Dear Sir - Your favor of the
inst. has just been recd.

If I am accepted as a member
of your honorable Association, I will
readily pay all fees. Will you, Sir, please
do me the favor to propose me, &
send me the result?

I forward you a copy of my
"Biographies" by mail.

Yours Sincerely,

P. H. Kilbourne

P.S. I will, in due time, forward
to you a copy of my "History & Antiqui-
ties of the Kilbourns." In the mean
time, if you meet with anything
relating to the name, either ancient
or modern, I will be grateful for
it.

P. H. K.

P. H. Hallowell
Rec'd April 14. 1854

Profrase.

Rev. J. B. Follen

Boston,

Mass.



Dept of State,
Washington, May 25, 1855.

Sir:

A box containing 105 volumes of books and doc^t together with the Declaration of Independence, has been placed in the hands of Adams Esq, to be forwarded to the "American Statistical Association" at Boston.

You will please acknowledge the receipt of the box when it shall have reached your hands.

I am, respectfully,
Your obt^d servant,
W. Hunter,
Assistant Secretary.

The Pres^t
Am. Statistical Association,
Boston.

Lowell. May. 23^d. 1854.

Rev. Mr. Fell.

Dear Sir,

Some action I believe, was taken at the last meeting of the Amer. S. Society as to the publication of Papers read at its meetings. Have you got them in print? Or do you want the one read by me last year upon the Foreign Population of Lowell - The Society voted to print it, and you solicited a copy of it afterwards. And for certain reasons I thought perhaps how it should not go into print. - Still, if you want it, I will send you a copy forthwith. The subject is one which merits ~~an~~ ^{at} more and more interest. Please witness your wishes - I intend to have a Paper for the July Meeting of the Society.

Yours truly. W. Allen.

"An act to establish the 'Smithsonian Institution,' for the Increase and Diffusion of Knowledge among men."

"SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That the author or proprietor of any book, map, chart, musical composition, print, cut, or engraving, for which a copyright shall be secured under the existing acts of Congress, or those which shall hereafter be enacted respecting copyrights, shall, within three months from the publication of said book, map, chart, musical composition, print, cut, or engraving, deliver, or cause to be delivered, one copy of the same to the Librarian of the Smithsonian Institution, and one copy to the Librarian of Congress Library, for the use of the said Libraries."

"Act making appropriations for the Service of the Post Office Department, approved March 3, 1855."

"SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That all books, maps, charts, or other publications entered for copyright, and which, under the act of August 10th, 1846, are required to be deposited in the Library of Congress and in the Smithsonian Institution, may be sent through the mails free of postage, under such regulations as the Postmaster General may prescribe."

From the Instructions of the Postmaster General.

"Copyright books, charts, &c., required to be delivered to the Library of Congress or Smithsonian Institution, and which are entitled to pass free in the mail, should be superscribed 'Copyright for Congress Library,' or 'Smithsonian Institution,' as the case may be."

N. B.—All letters or memorandums in relation to the books, &c., for copyright, must be sent with postage *prepaid*.

Library of Congress,

City of Washington, *May 18th 1855.*

Received from *Joseph B. Felt, of Boston, Mass^{ts},*
in compliance with the 10th section of the Act of Congress, passed August 10th, 1846,
entitled "An act to establish the Smithsonian Institution, for the increase and diffusion of
knowledge among men,"

*"The Ecclesiastical History of New England; comprising
not only Religious, but also Moral, and other Relations.
By Joseph B. Felt. vol. I. Boston: published by the
Congregational Library Association, &c. 1835."*

John S. Meek an, Librarian

Senate Chamber, Jan, 30, 1858.
Joseph B. Felt Esq,

Dear Sir,

Your note informing me that I have been elected a Member of American Statistical Association has been received. I thank the Gentlemen of the Association for this honor and assure you that it will afford me great pleasure to do anything in my power to forward the objects they have in view. If there are any Documents or papers which they may wish to attain I assure you it will give me pleasure to secure them for the Association.

Yours Truly
J. B. Wilson

Boston Jan 9, 1858

Received of American Statistical
Association Interment in Towns

Edward Jarvis

D. E. Jarvis

Rec^d 1856

Book

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American Statistical Association
In account with

Lyman Mabin Treasurer

Cr.

By cash in Treasurers hand
January 1st 1855 24.77

July 6 By dividend of Coches
Manuf. Co Stock - 18.00

Jan 9. 1856 By do 20.00

62.77.

Jan 1st 1855. By cash in hands of
Rev. J. B. Felt 38.90

By cash collected

of members ~~above~~ expenses 19.00

By cash for book sold 2.00

59.90.

Paid by Mr. Felt. 22.30

Paid various charges 79

23.09

23.09

Total in Mr. Felt's hands 36.81

36.81

Total -

\$99.58.

Jan 9. 1856.

Treas^r Report.

Am Statistical
- Society -

1858

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American Statistical Association
 in acct with Lyman Mason Tr.

1857.

Jan 14

Cr

By cash in Treasurers hands
 on Jan 9. 1856 62.77

July 1 1856 By dividends on Coches Stock 1 share 21.00
 By cash collected of Members during year 10.00

Jan 1 1857 By ~~div~~ dividends on Coches Stock 1 share 21.00
 174.77

Oct 1st 1856 ^{Dr} For cash paid to Balch's Bill 2.00
 172.77

Balance in Treasurers hands
 is _____ 112.77

Balance in Mr Felt's hands as
 per Report of 1856 36.81

Total \$ 149.58

Jan 14. 1857.

Lyman Mason
 Treasurer

American Statistical
Association

Treasurer's Report

Jan 14, 1857

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Boston Jan'y 20, 1858
Rev J. B. Fall

My Dear Sir,

I send you herewith
the report of the Treasurer for 1858 of
the Am. Stat. Association and also the
bills for back assessments ~~unpaid~~, and
also for the present year.

As the wants of the association have
not called for funds, more than we had
on hand, I have not taken the trouble
to send bills to the different members each
year, but have allowed them credit for
whatever they have seen fit to pay to you
or me; and this will account for the
fact that some members may have
paid for some years later than the years
for which they are assessed as appears
from the bills.

I recently understood from you that
for the present year the association
will need what is due them in order
to publish some papers which have been
prepared.

I therefore enclose the bills made

out as they appear on my books; which
the members who may be present at the
meeting will please take and pay at their
earliest convenience.

By so doing we can save
commission for collecting and all the
expenses ~~incurred~~ to the Society.

I am sorry to be unable to attend the
meeting to day, but trust the time will
soon come when I can give myself the
pleasure of attending the quarterly meetings

Yours truly
Lyman Mason

American Statistical Association
In acct with

Lyman Mator Treasurer

Cr

Jan 20. 1858	By cash in Treasurers hands	
January 14. 1857		112.77
	By cash collected of members	4.00
	By Dividend of Cocheco Manufac turing Co. for July 1857	<u>21.00</u>
		137.77

Dr.

Oct 20
1857

For cash paid Res J.B.
Felt's bill for postage, notices
&c according to his bill rendered.

3.55

Jan 20. 1858

Balance on hand

134.22.

Lyman Mator
Treasurer.

American Statistical
Association

Treasurer's Report
for 1858

Boston Jan. 26 1858.

Dear Sir,

Please return to the American Statistical Association my sincere thanks for the honor of an election as a member of their honored body. Both my tastes and inclinations would lead me to join you in promoting the important work before your Association, but my engagements are such, that I am compelled to deny myself the pleasure.

Rev. Yours very sincerely,
Jos. B. Felt. Luther Farnham

{ Cong. Lib. Building
Boston. Jan. 29. 1858

S. H. Wadley Esq.

Dear Sir. Will you tell Rev.
J. B. Felt, Secy of the Am. Statistical
Soc'y, what day next week it will
be convenient for you to meet the
Soc'y & read to them that paper?
He will then issue notice for a Spec-
ial meeting - which all the members
that I have conversed with, desire.

Yours truly,

Jos. S. Clark

How. J. H. Walley
Present.

Boston January 22, 1858

Dear Sir,

I have received your official letter, bearing yesterday's date, informing me of my election to membership in the American Statistical Association. Permit me to express my thanks for the honor conferred, and to signify hereby my acceptance thereof.

Respectfully Yours

John Ward Dean
— " — "

Rev. Joseph B. Felt, A. D.,
Recording Secretary of the
Am. Statistical Association,
Boston, Mass.

Boston Feb. 1. 1858,
Rev. J. B. Felt
Dear Sir,

I expect to go to New
York on Wednesday and
to return on Friday or
Saturday - I cannot
therefore name a day
this week - but I will
be ready any day
next week that may
suit your convenience

Please inform me by
a line through the office
in Boston what day will
be agreeable -

Yrs.
J. A. Kelley

Boston Feb. 2, 1858
Rev. J. B. Zett

On Wednesday, a week
from tomorrow, at 3 o'clock
P. M. will be a convenient
time for me to read my
communication to you &
any other gentlemen - &
I do not wish for any
further notice - but
(D. V.) "I will be there" -

Yrs. truly
J. A. Waller

State Street

Monday 8 Feb 1858

Sir,

Your Official notice of my election as a Member of the American Statistical Association has been duly received. —

Deeply sensible of the honour conferred on me, I still find myself compelled by the pressure of other engagements, to decline a position which would require more time and attention than I could with propriety devote to it.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

J. Amory Davis

Rev Joseph B. Felt
Recy Secretary

Boston, April 19th 58.

J. Wingate Thornton Esq^r.

Dear Sir,

Please take care of the Records of ^{the} Am. St. Association, and communicate the following to them. —

Having served them, as their Recording Sec^y, for over eighteen years, and concluded to resign this office, — I hereby do it, with the best wishes for their prosperity.

Very respect^{ly} theirs.

Joseph B. Felt.

Boston July 20th 1848

To the Recording Secy
of the Amer.ⁿ Statistical Assⁿ

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to
acknowledge your note some
time since received informing me
of my election as a member of
your Association. I accept
the honor & shall be happy to
attend the meetings of the Associa-
tion when my health & other duties
will permit.

Very respectfully yours
Sewall Harding

Cong. Lib., Chawney St

July, 27.

A. S. Assn met this day, Pres. Dr. James with Chan. Dr. Anderson, S. Hand

ing. Dr. Putnam, W. S. Chap

of the last meeting (with abstract of the Surg) & read reported resolutions - Dr. James pre

sented and the Rpt which the Memorial to Congress

on the Census was & considered by the members present -

presented that the Memorial was they adopted as the Memorial

of the Am. Stat. Assn

auth to at Brook
Adj & July 30th 1888

July 27.

And I have spent this day in the office of the Secretary of the American Statistical Association.

It is a very interesting and important work.

To the Secretary
of the Amer.ⁿ Statistical
Association,

Washington, D. C.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. J. C.

State of New York

SECRETARY'S OFFICE



Albany Jan 14. 1859

J. W. Thornton Esq

Sr

I have the honor of receiving from your hand a certificate of election as corresponding member of the American Statistical Association. You will please communicate to that society my thanks for this mark of confidence. Has the association a library? If so, has it a copy of our late census, or of the census of New York for 1835? Does the Association publish its transactions? We have one volume only.

Very respectfully Yours,
Franklin B. Hough.

We have a Libry, constantly increasing. Have not a copy of N. Y. census for 1835. The Assocn publishes its transactions in part. We too have an vol.

Rev. A. P. Peabody
17 Jan. 1859.



Portsmouth, N. H.
Jan. 17, 1859.

Dear Sir,

I accept with much pleasure the courtesy & honor tendered me in my election as a corresponding Member of the American Statistical Association, & will be happy to render any aid in my power toward the advancement of its objects & purposes.

I am, my dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

A. P. Peabody.

J. E. Worcester, L. D.

Providence,
May 18. 1859.

J. C. Worcester Esq.,
Cor. Secty. Am. Statistical Assoc -
Dear Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a certificate of election as a Corresponding Member of the
"American Statistical Association."

Please present my thanks to the Association for this honor.

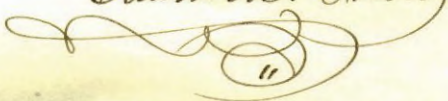
I shall be happy to do any thing in my power to promote the objects of the Association.

I send with this, a copy of my last report on the Statistics of Births, marriages, and deaths in this city. The previous reports I think you have received through Dr. Jarvis.

I should be happy to receive a copy

of the Constitution and By Laws of the
Association that I may know more
definitely its objects, and the means that
are used to accomplish them.

Respectfully Yours
Edwin M. Snow



Georgetown Ky June 21st 53

J. E. Worcester
Secy: Secretary of
Amer: Stat: Association

Sir

I received, some
days since, a certificate of my election
as a corresponding member of the
American Statistical Association.

I can truly say that I was very
much surprised, and highly gratified
at the honor conferred: though I fear
I shall be sadly deficient in making
a suitable return.

Supposing that the Association
might be willing to accept a set of
the Registration Reports of Kentucky,
I have delayed some time, and taken
some pains to find a second hand
copy of our 2nd report in order to com-
-plete the set; but have utterly failed.

I am enabled to send a copy of the 1st
- accidentally picked up. Both these
reports are now entirely exhausted.

I send herewith a copy of all the
other reports which I desire you to
place in the hands of the association.

Be pleased also to assure them of
my lively appreciation of the honor
done me.

Very truly Yours

W. L. Sutton

Bank Room Room

Boston Feb. 24. 1860

J. Wingate Thornton Esq

Dear Sir,

Near the
close of the month of April last
a certificate of the election of myself
as resident member of The American
Statistical Association - was ~~re-~~
ceived at my home in Lowell
during the absence of my family
from home - The certificate was
mislaid. On the removal of my
effects to Williamstown, about
time since, it was brought to
light. Although at a period
so late as to imply indifference,

to the honor conferred, I
beg to return my sincere
thanks, & to say that I
shall be glad to contribute
any thing in my power,
to the prosperity & usefulness
of the Society.

My residence is now
at Williamstown.

Very Truly

J. White

Middlebury Vermont
May 24th 1860.

Dear Sir:

Yours informing me of my election as member of the American Statistical Association is at hand.

Please convey to the Association my acceptance of the same, with thanks for the honor conferred. I shall be glad to render any assistance in my power in furtherance of the objects of the Association.

I expect to visit Boston in about a week, and shall be happy to form some personal acquaintances with the members.

Respectfully Yours
Charles S. Allen.

John Ward Dean, Esq.
Recording Secretary,
Amer. Statistical Assoc.
Boston, Mass.

Concord N.H. May 25. 1863
John Wood Secy
The Soc. Am. Sta. Assn.

Dear Sir:-

With pleasure
I accept the membership
of the Am. Sta. Soc. to which
I was elected on the 20th,
of April last-

Yours &c

William Frederick Goodwin

St Albans Vt June 11th 1860

Dear Sir

Your favor of April 20th informing
me of my election as corresponding
member of the American Statistical Asso-
ciation, is received.

Please accept my thanks for the
honor thus conferred, which I accept with pleas-
ure, and receive for yourself, and the Associa-
tion you have the honor to represent, my best
wishes and sincere regards.

I remain respectfully yours.

William F. Brewster -

John Ward Dean Esq.

Recording Secretary of the American
Statistical Association.

Boston, Mass.

Statistical Soc.

Please find package
addressed to you — at rooms
of the Nat. Hist. Soc.

By mail

J. P. Lesley.

Lib^{ry} - A. R. S.

Phil - June 14/60

Cincinnati Ohio July 3rd 1860

John Wad Swan Esq.

Dear Sir

Permit me, through you, to return my thanks to the members of the American Statistical Association, for the honor they have conferred on me by electing me a member of their learned body.

I would also thus signify to the Association my acceptance of membership.

Please apprise me of any fee which may be due thereon.

Very Respectfully

E. B. Robbins

P.S. In explanation of the long delay of this answer to your

letter of notification I would remark
that I have been in New York
during the Spring & Summer and
have but just arrived in Cincinnati
~~at~~ when your letter has been
lying for some time till recently
advertised

E. J. R. P.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
10th inst. in relation to the
above mentioned matter.
I have the honor to inform you
that the same has been forwarded
to the proper authorities for
their consideration.
Very respectfully,
E. J. R. P.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
E. J. R. P.