

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE AMERICAN MUSEUM
OF NATURAL HISTORY

FOR THE YEAR 1915

Annual Report of the President
Treasurer's Report List of Accessions
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A complete list of members is appended.

Respectfully submitted,

ADRIAN ISELIN, JR.,

Secretary.

*LIST OF TRUSTEES AND TERMS
OF SERVICE*

1869-1916

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|---|-----------|
| The Mayor of the City of New York | 1908- |
| The President of the Department of Parks..... | 1908- |
| The Comptroller of the City of New York | 1908- |
| Auchincloss, Hugh | 1876-1890 |
| Baker, George F. | 1914- |
| Bickmore, Albert S. | 1885-1914 |
| Bishop, H. R. | 1882-1891 |
| Blatchford, Richard M. | 1869-1872 |
| Blodgett, William T. | 1869-1875 |
| Bowdoin, George S..... | 1903-1913 |
| Brewster, Frederick F..... | 1913- |
| Choate, Joseph H..... | 1869- |
| Colgate, Robert..... | 1869-1885 |
| Constable, James M..... | 1872-1900 |
| Cutting, R. Fulton..... | 1914- |
| Cuyler, Cornelius C..... | 1904-1909 |
| Cuyler, Thomas DeWitt..... | 1910- |
| Dana, Chas. A..... | 1869-1872 |
| Davison, Henry P..... | 1916- |
| Dodge, A. G. Phelps..... | 1869-1872 |
| Dodge, Cleveland H..... | 1904- |
| Dodge, W. E., Jr. | 1872-1903 |
| Douglas, James..... | 1909- |
| Drexel, Joseph W. | 1872-1888 |
| Elliot, Daniel Giraud..... | 1915-1915 |
| Field, Benjamin H..... | 1869-1893 |
| Frick, Henry C..... | 1914- |
| Gerry, Elbridge T..... | 1894-1902 |
| Grant, Madison..... | 1911- |
| Green, Andrew H..... | 1869-1903 |
| Grinnell, Moses H..... | 1869-1872 |
| Haines, William A..... | 1869-1880 |
| Hard, Anson W. | 1894- |
| Harriman, Oliver | 1878-1895 |
| Havemeyer, H. O..... | 1898-1907 |
| Havemeyer, Theodore A. | 1891-1897 |
| Haven, George G. | 1892-1895 |

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| Hewitt, Abram S. | 1874-1903 |
| Huntington, Archer M. | 1909-1912, 1914- |
| Hyde, Frederick E. | 1899-1909 |
| Hyde, James H. | 1903-1907 |
| Iselin, Adrian | 1869-1905 |
| Iselin, Adrian, Jr. | 1905- |
| James, Arthur Curtiss | 1903- |
| James, D. Willis | 1889-1903 |
| James, Walter B. | 1911- |
| Jesup, Morris K. | 1869-1908 |
| Juilliard, A. D. | 1898- |
| Kissel, Gustav E. | 1894-1911 |
| Landon, Charles G. | 1882-1893 |
| Lanier, Charles | 1874- |
| Low, Seth | 1905-1916 |
| Mills, D. O. | 1882-1910 |
| Mills, Ogden | 1910- |
| Morgan, J. Pierpont | 1869-1913 |
| Morgan, J. P. | 1908- |
| Morton, Levi P. | 1889-1890 |
| Osborn, Henry Fairfield | 1901- |
| Ottendorfer, Oswald | 1886-1900 |
| Parish, Henry | 1869-1872 |
| Potter, Howard | 1869-1880 |
| Pyne, Percy R. | 1872-1895 |
| Pyne, Percy R. | 1900- |
| Robb, J. Hampden | 1886-1911 |
| Rockefeller, William | 1895-1913 |
| Rogers, Archibald | 1891-1910 |
| Roosevelt, Theodore | 1869-1878 |
| Roosevelt, Theodore | 1886-1891 |
| Sherman, Benjamin B. | 1869-1874 |
| Stebbins, Henry G. | 1869-1874 |
| Stevens, Frederic W. | 1873-1882 |
| Steward, D. Jackson | 1869-1898 |
| Stuart, Robert L. | 1869-1882 |
| Trevor, John B. | 1872-1888 |
| Trevor, John B. | 1908- |
| Vanderbilt, Cornelius | 1878-1899 |
| Warburg, Felix M. | 1910- |
| Wickersham, George W. | 1910- |
| Whitney, William C. | 1891-1904 |
| Wolfe, John David | 1869-1872 |

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