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Record of the doings of
Meetings. Committee's &c.
concerning the Celebrations
of the fourth of July. A. D. 1853

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Gloucester May 30. 1853

The first meeting of the Citizens in favor of celebrating the ensuing fourth of July, was held at the Town Hall this evening.

The Meeting was organized by the choice of John S. Tappan as Chairman and Joseph O. Procter as Secretary. It was then voted. To choose a Committee of Eight to solicit Subscriptions and report at an adjourned meeting. Cyrus Story Jun, George L. Ford, George Lane, George F. Worsow, Charles Friend, Thomas Baker, Alex. D. Bray and George Norwood were accordingly chosen.

Voted. To choose a Committee of three to select a list of a suitable number to constitute a Committee of Arrangements. David Smith Jun. John S. E. Rogers and Fitz S. Babson were accordingly chosen.

Voted. To have a General Celebration.

Voted. That the Committee of Arrangements be instructed to confer with the Citizens of Rockport, and invite them to join with us in the intended celebration.

Voted to adjourn till Wednesday evening June 1st.

Joseph O. Procter Secretary

Gloucester June 1. 1853

The adjourned meeting of May 30th was held this evening at Magnolia Hall. At 8 1/2 o'clock the meeting was called to order by the Chairman. The doing of the last meeting was read and accepted. The Com appointed to select a list of Managers reported the following names.

Joseph Friend, Joseph O. Procter, George L. Ford, Thomas Baker, John S. Tappan, Cyrus Story Jun, Frank H. Woodbury, Andrew Ellwell, John Ayers Jun, Bennett Griffin, George Lane, Charles E. Grover, George F. Worsow, Charles Friend and John S. E. Rogers, which report was accepted. Voted. That the Committee have power to increase their number also to fill vacancies, should there be any.

Voted. To choose a Com of three for the purpose of procuring the necessary Music. Timothy Davis, Andrew Ellwell, and Dr. Northall, were accordingly chosen. Voted that the Com to solicit Subscriptions be instructed to continue their efforts in raising means up to the time the sum shall be needed.

Voted. To choose a Committee of six to solicit the names of those that are willing to contribute towards having a public dinner on the fourth.

Dr Northall, Charles Gardner, John S. Piffen,
Moses East, E. G. Friend, and Andrew Small
were appointed that Com. voted to adjourn

Joseph C. Poole Secretary

Gloster June 2, 1853.

A meeting of the Committee which was orga-
nized by the choice of Thomas Bates Ch
Wm C. Green Sec
voted.

The members of the Orders of Free Masons
Rheisters, Odd Fellows and Daughters
of Temperance and Sons of Temperance
of the Fire Departments, Gloster Athl
and the Schools in Town, be invited to
unite in the Procession on the Fourth
July.

voted.

To publish a notice in the Gloster
Telegraph, inviting all organized bodies of
Gloster and vicinity to participate in
the Celebration.

voted.

A Committee consisting of Thomas Bates and
Joseph Friend were
charged to consult with B. H. Hough Jr and
solicit him to serve as Chief Marshal, inform-
ing him of the unanimous wish of the Com
and if he positively declines, that Committee
prepare a list of persons for the Committee

of Arrangements to select from a person to
serve as Chief Marshall.
voted.

To add to the Com of arrangements the following
gentlemen.

Samuel Davis.
Edward B. Brown and
Henry E. Merchant.

voted. Joseph O. Patten was chosen Treasurer.

To appropriate the sum of Two Hundred
dollars for music; that we secure the services
of the American Band, Boston Seventeen men
at \$60.00 apiece and their expenses, also to
to secure the services of Missy Patten
Lane
Rust and
Greenleaf of the
town.

voted To employ Levesley to collect money and papers
of the same To adjourn to Saturday evening.

Chas. Lewis Day

Saturday Evening June 14. 1853

The Committee of Arrangements met at 8 1/2 o'clock in
the office of J. S. E. Rogers Esq. and the minutes
read.

The Committee to whom was referred the
duty of conferring with W. H. Hough Esq. and
of selecting a list of names for Chief Marshall
attended to the duty and informed the meeting
that Mr Hough declined and offered the fol-
lowing list of names.

W. H. Corlies.
Edward Staten and
J. O. Patten.

according to a motion made by Mr Dan he
was allowed to add another name to the
list and Thomas Bakers name was added.
The meeting then proceeded to mark for a
Chief Marshall and Thomas Baker Esq.
having the greatest number of marks was
declared chosen for service.

The Secretary was instructed to invite the G.
Artillery to perform Escort duty for the procession
on the Fourth.

