
Alfred Coxe Prime.

The Council desires to place on record an appreciation of the valuable services of one of its Councillors, Alfred Coxe Prime, who died at his residence, 2212 Locust Street, after a brief illness, on March 2, 1926.

Mr. Prime became a member of this Society on June 23, 1916, and was elected a Councillor October 22, 1923, afterwards serving as a Trustee of the Publication Fund and a member of the Committee on Library and Collections. His advice at Board meetings was always helpful, and he performed a most useful work for the Society when he acted as Chairman of a special committee formed to supervise the matter of repairing the ancient wills in the Register of Wills office. Mr. Prime was in spirit an antiquarian; witness his interest in old silver of which he was an expert student, but he was also practical, and this combination made him of particular value in his relations to the Council.

He was, at the time of his death, Lieutenant Governor of the Society of Colonial Wars, in which he was a member by right of descent from Edward Shippen, Speaker of the Assembly, 1695, Deputy Governor, 1703, and President of the Provincial Council, 1702-04. He was born in Philadelphia, March 3, 1883, being the son of Frederick Prime and his wife, Laurette de Tousard Coxe Prime. He was educated at the Episcopal Academy and after studying one year at the University of Pennsylvania was graduated from Yale University in 1904. He shortly afterwards entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; later he was associated with Messrs. Phillips and Jacobs, manu-

facturing chemists. He was Secretary of the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Governors, and a member of the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Railway Engineering Association and the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education. He was also a member of the Museum Committee of the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art, a post that proved most congenial to him.

The passing of Alfred Coxe Prime, when in the very fullness of his usefulness, is deeply to be regretted, and the Council will miss him keenly, as will his many friends and relatives.
