

would be pleased to have
your ideas on the whole subject,
and an early reply would greatly
assist them.

Yours respectfully

~~Charles M. Conant~~

~~22 Sur St.~~

In the Committee
Conant
Charles M. Conant, Chairman
22 Sur St.

May
Cambridge, ~~April~~ — 1896

John Street Dear Sir

A ^{Committee} of the City
~~Government~~ Council has been appointed
to see what changes can be
made to improve the City Seal,
to make it more characteristic
and more discernible.

Those who ^{have} had the subject
brought to their attention agree
generally that too much room
is taken up by shield scroll
work, and if possible, that the
central design should be such
an object as no other city
can possess or acquire. The
objects already mentioned are
Memorial Hall, Washington Elm,
Harvard Gateway, Craigie House,
and the City Hall. The committee

Hon. W. A. Bancroft, ✓
A. F. Soutwell, ✓
Gen. E. R. Champlin, ✓
M. E. Ridgely, ✓
W. E. Doyle, ✓
J. F. Donovan, ✓
H. Fillmore, ✓
E. J. Brandon, ✓
Geo. Close, ✓
J. N. Concoran, ✓
Dr. J. A. Dow, ✓
J. F. Aylward, ✓
M. Cooney, ✓
~~W. H. Howard~~, other list
H. G. Kemp, ✓
L. M. Hammon, ✓
Wm. H. Wood, ✓
J. A. Woolson, ✓
J. L. Paine, ✓
C. N. Titus, ✓
L. F. Baldwin, ✓
Geo. A. Davis, ✓
G. B. H. Fuller, ✓
H. W. McDonald, ✓
Hon. F. W. Dallinger, ✓
H. O. Houghton, ✓
T. H. Raymond, ✓
Geo. Howland, ✓
G. R. Crook, ✓ over

E. B. Hale, ✓
E. B. James, ✓
Hon. Isaac Bradford, ✓
H. Pear, ✓
James Coff, ✓
C. B. Seagrave, ✓
D. A. Buxley, ✓
H. Stanhope Hill, ✓
F. S. Hill, ✓
J. J. Kelley, ✓
A. J. Radey, ✓
R. C. Surbridges, ✓
J. T. Shear, ✓
John Ponce, ✓
Dr. E. E. Spencer, ✓
Edw. Kendall, ✓
E. W. Whubert, ✓
Dr. Hest. Charles, ✓
Dr. L. L. Bryant, ✓
Dr. C. H. Thomas, ✓
Herman Bird, ✓
J. S. Barrell, ✓
G. A. A. Percy, ✓
E. J. McIntire, ✓
W. E. Thomas, ✓
John M. Duffie, ✓

Mr. McDuffie, —

I have written these few names at random, and if you notice that we have omitted any names which you think might be of assistance to the Committee will you do me the kindness to add same to our list?

Very Truly,
Chas. McDuffie.

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Mr. ~~Henry O. Houghton~~
" Edmund Reardon ✓
" John Hapewell Jr. ✓
" ~~Thos. H. Raymond~~
" ~~John H. Corcoran~~ other list
" William A. Monroe ✓
" Warren F. Spalding ✓
" ~~Isaac F. Dear~~ other list
" John D. Billings ✓
" Chas. W. Cheney ✓

Hon J. M. W. Hall ✓
" Samuel J. Montague ✓
Archibald M. Howe ✓
Geo. H. Howard ✓
Robert Q. Fuller ✓
Dr Henry P. Walcott ✓
John Read ✓
Geo. G. Wright ✓
R. H. Dana ✓
Wm H. Bradbury ✓
~~Geo. H. Fox~~
Henry S. Yerran ✓
David J. Dickinson ✓
J. J. Myers ✓
Wm B. Swantz ✓
Olin H. Surrall ✓
Jabez Fox ✓
Rev. Alexander MacKenzie ✓
Wm. J. Piper ✓
J. Henry Russell ✓
Joseph B. Warner ✓

Miss Sarah S. Jacobs ✓
Geo. A. Allison ✓

CAMBRIDGE SOCIAL UNION.

CAMBRIDGE, February, 1894.

DEAR SIR, —

The good work of the Union has been carried on the past year with unabated vigor. We will send you a report giving details. The coming year, more than ever, we want your help. While the need of our work has increased, our funds are lower than ever, because of the "hard times." This is the moment when philanthropic giving should be increased, not diminished. For another reason we ask for larger subscriptions: We have an opportunity to greatly increase the value of our work, by giving to our members the benefit of classes taught by college men on the plan operating so successfully at the Prospect Union in Cambridgeport. But the organization and continuance of this plan will require additional funds. Our income from Brattle Hall will be smaller than usual this year. In a word, we are in great need of larger subscriptions. Last year you generously gave us dollars. We earnestly urge you to increase the gift this year. It will assist us if you will forward your subscription by check to our treasurer; or it can be handed to our collector, who will call upon you.

GEORGE E. SAUNDERS, *Treasurer*,
5 CONCORD AVENUE,

CHARLES E. WENTWORTH,

MISS E. H. HOUGHTON,

HENRY N. WHEELER,

J. G. THROP, JR.,

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

In Common Council, April 14th, 1896.

Ordered:

That a Joint Special Committee be appointed to consider as to what changes may be necessary in the device of the City Seal, and to report such recommendations thereon as the committee may deem desirable. Said committee to consist of two members of this board with such of the board of aldermen may join.

Laid upon the table.
Subsequently taken from the table
and Adopted. Councilman Saunders ^{Perkins} ~~Appointed~~
appointed to represent this Board
for concurrence.
Attest: Edward A. Conihau
Clerk

(Com?)

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

April 21 1896.

CONCURRED

and Alderman ~~Conihau~~ appointed

Attest:

Edward Conihau City Clerk

Geo. E. Saunders

REPORT OF THE

IN SENATE, FEBRUARY 1895.

1895

There is a general feeling of dissatisfaction with the present condition of the city, and it is necessary to take steps to remedy the same. The Board of Aldermen has been authorized to consider the various proposals for the improvement of the city, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Board.

(Sealed)

Order
for a Joint Special Com-
mittee upon the subject of
Changes in the City Seal
Adu 14. 1895



City of Cambridge.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-six.

A N O R D I N A N C E

in amendment of an ordinance in relation to the City Seal.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Cambridge as follows:-

Section 1 of Chapter 28 of the Revised Ordinances of 1892, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:-

Section 1.-The following shall be the device of the seal of the city, to wit: In the centre thereof, a shield, bearing upon it a view, on the right, of the towers of Gore Hall, and on the left the Washington Elm; under the shield, the inscription shall be, "Cantabrigia condita A. D. 1630: Civico regimine donata A. D. 1846." Around the seal, as the city motto, shall be the words, "Literis antiquis novis institutis decora."

Sect. 2.-The City Clerk shall be the custodian of the city seal.

Sect. 3.-This ordinance shall take effect on the first day of January

A. D. 1897.

*In Common Council, Oct. 27, 1896.
Laid on the table.*

Nov. 17, 1896.

*Taken from the table, and
Passed to be enrolled. Sent up
Attest: Edward A. Connelley
Clerk.*

May 1896,

Passed & be amended.

Attest
 Council of Portland
 City Clerk

An Ordinance
 in amendment of an
 Ordinance in relation
 to the City Seal.

Oct 27, 1896.

ORDINANCE

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-Six.

City of Portland

City of Cambridge.



In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-six.

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ORDINANCES.
ENROLLED
COMMITTEE ON

In Common Council, November 24th, 1896.
Passed to be ordained.

John L. O'Brien

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

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APPROVED,

MAYOR.

MAYORS RECORDS, VOL. PAGE ...

President.

In Board of Aldermen, November 24th, 1896.
Passed to be ordained.

James A. Fairbanks

President.

Dec. 4, 1896.

Presented to His Honor, the Mayor, for approval on Nov. 25, 1896 and not being returned by him with his objections thereon, within ten days from said 25th day of Nov. 1896, the aforesaid ordinance is now in force.

Attest:

Edward Prandon
City Clerk.

An Ordinance

in
amendment of an ordinance
in relation to the City
Seal.

Dec. 4/96.

Committee on
Enrolled
Ordinances.

Jeff. East
Geo. J. McKague
Casper D. Frohke

Correctly enrolled.

In Common Council, Nov. 24th, 1896.

City of Cambridge

Common Council,

In ~~Board of Aldermen~~, October 27th, 1896.

The Joint Special Committee appointed to consider as to what changes may be necessary in the device of the City Seal, and to report their recommendations thereon,

Reports

That the committee has attended to its duty. Your Committee has sent letters to many prominent citizens and finds that the consensus of opinion is that a change of some kind should be made, as the design of the present seal, which intends to represent much, is very indistinct and especially when it is reduced it is impossible to tell what is represented, unless one has been told what the different subjects are. Some of our citizens have suggested the Washington Elm, Gore Hall, Longfellow House and several other historic spots, the majority the Elm. Your Committee has had several designs made representing the different features suggested. Believing that should a change be made, a design should be recommended that shall be as nearly like the old seal as possible and still embrace in its centre only such features as shall be easily discerned. A design has been made enlarging the shield, retaining Gore Hall, which was the College building built in 1846, the year our City was incorporated, and also embodying the Washington Elm, the old tree under which Washington took command of the American Army in 1775, than which no other historical

feature is more important. Your Committee believes that these two objects carry out exactly the meaning of the motto of the old seal, which in its judgment should be unmolested.

A copy of the design before referred to is herewith submitted. This meets with the approval of your committee, with the exception that it is preferred that the position of Gore Hall and the Washington Elm should be reversed, the former to be on the right of the observer, and the latter to be on the left.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the accompanying ordinance in furtherance of its conclusions upon the subject, the same providing for a change in the design of the City Seal.

For the Committee,

Chas. C. Conant

Geo. E. Saunders

Hamilton V. Perkins

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Town Special

Committee as to changes in
the City Seal.

Oct. 27. 1896

C.C.