

1867

The first printed year book showed a membership of ninety-five.

1879

Through the Club's influence, the Rev. Dr. Henry W. Bellows, '32, was elected Overseer, the first person residing outside of Massachusetts to receive this election. The election was declared void in a judicial interpretation of the Massachusetts statutes; but partly as a result of this incident, the statutes were changed in 1880 to throw open the position to residents of all states.

1886

The Club rented its first quarters at 11 West 22nd Street.

1887

The Club was incorporated under the laws of New York State.

1892

The Club purchased the plot at 27 and 29 West 44th Street, fifty feet in width.

1895

The first clubhouse, still a part of the present structure, was opened.

1901

The Club purchased the property on West 45th Street in the rear of the original building. The addition, which greatly enlarged the capacity of the Clubhouse, included Harvard Hall, and provided for the first time bedroom and athletic facilities.

December 7, 1905

The enlarged clubhouse was formally opened at a large meeting in Harvard Hall. President Austen G. Fox, '69, presided; James J. Higginson, '57, represented the Building Committee,

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and the speakers included President Charles W. Eliot, '53, Joseph H. Choate, '52, and Edmund Wetmore, '60.

November 3, 1915

Formal opening of the second addition to the clubhouse erected at No. 31 West 44th Street and Nos. 32, 34 and 36 West 45th Street on lots which had been purchased by certain members of the Club some years before and generously held at cost. Amory G. Hodges, '74, President of the Club, presided; Joseph H. Choate, '52, made the principal speech; a silver bowl was presented by the Harvard Club of Boston, and the bronze tablet at the entrance to the dining hall, a copy of the original call for the meeting at which the Club was organized, was presented by Ingersoll Amory, '92, son of Arthur Amory, one of those who signed the call.

1915-16

In the preparedness work before the World War, the Plattsburg movement was started and carried through largely by members of the Club, under Major-General Leonard Wood, M. '84.

1917-18

Virtually every member of the Club was in some form of war work, with over one-third of the membership in active service in the armies and navies of the United States or the Allies. Sixty-five members died in service.

November, 1924

Vincent Astor, '15, presented to the Club a room in memory of Nicholas Biddle, '00, which is used for private dinners.

April 6, 1928

Dedication in Harvard Hall of the War Memorial, erected by subscription, "in memory of the members who died in the World

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