Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co Form 8-K November 19, 2013

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 19, 2013 (November 13, 2013)

HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-36166 (Commission 27-1566372 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File No.)

Identification No.)

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222 Berkeley Street

Boston, MA (Address of principal executive offices) 02116 (Zip Code)

(617) 351-5000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

Effective November 13, 2013, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company (the <u>Company</u>) amended and restated its by-laws as previously reported in the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed November 1, 2013 (the <u>Registration Statement</u>). The amended and restated by-laws are described in the Registration Statement.

The amended restated by-laws are filed as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 19, 2013, the Company closed its initial public offering of 20,987,500 shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the <u>Common Stock</u>), including 2,737,500 shares of Common Stock sold in connection with the full exercise of the option to purchase additional shares granted to the underwriters, at an initial public offering price of \$12.00 per share. The shares offered were sold by certain stockholders of the Company and the Company did not receive any of the proceeds of the offering. The shares began trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on November 14, 2013 under the ticker symbol HMHC.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit	
No.	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated By-laws.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HOUGHTON MIFFLIN HARCOURT COMPANY

By: /s/ William F. BayersName: William F. BayersTitle: Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Dated: November 19, 2013

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