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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN: In submitting their first annual report, the Library Committee feel that it is due to you and to themselves to indicate the general principles which have guided them in the performance of their duties, and to describe, as clearly as possible, what has been accomplished during the past year.

The work of laying the foundations of what must certainly become, in time, a great and beneficent institution, is necessarily accompanied by much labor and anxiety. The committee have not been so presumptuous as to suppose that other persons might not have been selected, who would perform this work in a better and more satisfactory manner than themselves. But they can assure the Board, that whatever they have done through error of judgment, they have not been unmindful of the responsible nature of their trust, and they have spared no pains to further the design of the founder of the Library in establishing an institution which shall remain for all time, a monument of his munificence, and a blessing to the community.

The principal difficulties that have attended the work of organization have grown out of this fact, that the library itself was for the great part a thing of the future. It would have been a comparatively easy matter to have arranged the books in possession of the library at the commencement of the year, so that they could have been conveniently circulated, at least, for a short time. But in the process of growth, the simple method adopted for the management of such a meagre collection, would require speedy modifications, and a new and more comprehensive system would soon become necessary. It is in view of this fact, that the committee have felt themselves called upon to lay broad bases for the future and to adopt a system of organization that would apply not
merely to a collection of 10,000 or 15,000 volumes, but as well to a library of 100,000 or even 500,000 volumes. They have consequently kept before their eyes, not simply the library which is, but the library which is to be.

It is readily apparent, that a library which is always to remain small need not require the complex methods that are necessary to the complete control of one which has no limits set to its growth. In a small library, the librarian may depend upon his memory for the names and location of books, and as the shelves can be made accessible to the public, the contents of the library are easily ascertained. But a large, growing library soon expands beyond the capacity of any one mind; and the necessity of compact storage, renders it inexpedient, and even impossible, to admit the public promiscuously to the shelves. There consequently arises the need of some systematic method of classification and shelf-arrangement, that the large mass of books may be kept under the control of the librarian and his assistants; and also the need of carefully prepared catalogues, that the contents of the library may be available to those who use it. An unorganized mass of books is as uncontrollable as a mob, while a well arranged library should be as wieldy as a well-organized and disciplined army. In view of the prospective growth of the library, the committee deemed it best, at the outset, to adopt some general system of organization which would not be likely to be soon outgrown, and at once to apply this system to the arrangement of the books already placed in their possession. The adoption of a thorough method of organization would involve, it is true, a considerable amount of time and patience; it was yet believed that, in the end, time would be saved, and the real value of the library be greatly enhanced. It was also believed that, by the adoption of such a system, the selection of books for purchase would be materially aided, and the proportion of books in the library be better preserved.

After having decided that some general system should be adopted that would be adjusted to the future growth of the library, the committee encountered their next difficulty, in deciding what that system should be. In looking about, it was found that there were many large and well-organized libraries in this country. But it was also found that there was very little uniformity in their
methods of organization, and that not a few were going through the laborious and painful process of changing an old system for a new one. It was also discovered that the whole subject of library economy had, within a few years past, been growing into a somewhat elaborate and technical science. With these facts before them, the committee felt it their duty to become familiar with the methods of administration adopted by a few of the best libraries in the country, and to become acquainted with the general principles of library economy, so far as they had gained an acceptance among librarians. Fourteen libraries were therefore visited, beside those of the University and Theological Seminary of our own city, which we believe to compare favorably with the best in this country. The reports of other libraries, the United States government report on libraries issued in 1876, the special discussion on library organization in the Library Journal, and the report of the conferences of librarians in this country and in England, also furnished valuable assistance. To obtain the most profitable results from the experiences of the past, and to digest into a coherent system what seemed to be the best features of other libraries, was no small task. While not professing to have developed a system better than perhaps many others that might be mentioned, the committee believe that they cannot at least have gone very far astray, in selecting for their own use methods of organization and administration approved by the wisdom and experience of some of the best librarians in this and other countries.

It would be beyond the scope of this report, and beyond the limits of your patience, to describe in detail the special features of the system which has been adopted by this committee; but it may not be out of place to indicate briefly some of the general outlines of that system.

First, as to classification. The library, as a whole, is divided into two great departments, the reference department and the circulating department. The Reference Department comprises all those works which are set apart for consultation, and includes the following classes designated by the Roman numerals:

I. Bibliography.

II. Encyclopædias, including general reference works on the various branches of knowledge, which are placed in a reading room where they are accessible to the public.
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III. Periodicals and Reviews, both general and special.
IV. Society Transactions.
V. Public Documents,
VI. Rarities, including special works which, on account of their value or character, are withdrawn from general circulation.

The Circulating Department comprises those books which are, in general, intended to be drawn for home use, and include the following classes designated by the letters of the alphabet:

Classes in Science.

A. Philosophy and General Science.
B. Mathematics and Physical Science.
C. Natural Science.
D. Medical Science.
E. Political and Social Science.
F. Law and Jurisprudence.
G. Education.

Classes in Religion.

H. General Theology.
J. Church Polity and Practical Religion.
K. History of Religion.

Classes in History

L. General History.
M. American History.
N. European History.
O. Oriental History.
P. Geography and Travels.
Q. Biography.

Classes in Literature.

R. General Language and Literature.
S. Foreign Languages and Literature.
T. English Language and Literature—General.
U. English Poetry and Drama.
W. English Prose Fiction.
Classes in the Arts.

X. The Useful Arts.
Y. The Fine Arts.

Each one of these classes is again sub-divided. For example: The class B comprises—1. General works on Mathematics and Physics. 2. Mathematics. 3. Astronomy. 4. Physics. 5. Chemistry. 6. Mineralogy. These divisions are still further sub-divided. For example: The division B4 contains—1. General works on Physics. 2. Mechanics. 3. Hydrostatics. 4. Pneumatics. 5. Acoustics. 6. Heat, etc. Thus, the section designated B42 will contain all the works in the library treating specially of Mechanics; B45, all the works on Acoustics, etc.

In arranging this scheme, care has been taken not to attempt a mere a priori or metaphysical classification of human knowledge, but to form a real classification of books, and to preserve, as well as possible, a proper proportion between the various branches of literature. Before the scheme was adopted its capacity was verified by a comparison with similar schemes employed by different librarians, especially those of Mr. Dewey, Mr. Cutter, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lloyd Smith, and Mr. Perkins.

Second, as to the shelf-arrangement and notation. Of the two principal modes of arranging and numbering books on the shelves the committee have adopted, without hesitation, what is called the "relative" location, as opposed to the "fixed" location. By the latter method, books are placed permanently upon a shelf, and receive their number from the shelf. The objection to this method lies in the fact that when the particular shelf or shelves set apart for a certain class of books becomes filled, other books belonging to this class must find a new place in some other alcove, and the books treating of the same or cognate subjects become scattered. By the "relative" location, books are numbered by the class to which they belong, and thus all the books belonging to a given class are placed together, and the whole, not being fixed to any given shelf, can be moved as convenience may require. It is believed that this arrangement receives at present the almost universal approval of librarians.

Third, as to the methods of cataloguing. There is probably no subject connected with library administration which is more important, or which has received more attention than the method
of making a proper catalogue. That a library should have some kind of a catalogue needs no argument. It is the chief instrument by which the contents of a library are made known and rendered available. A library without a catalogue is like a regiment without a muster-roll; and a small, well-selected library with an exhaustive catalogue unquestionably possesses a value vastly superior to a large collection of books with no means of obtaining accurate information regarding either the authors or the subjects which it contains. The committee have given this subject careful consideration, and they are convinced that between four approved methods of cataloguing, there is very little to choose. These four methods are represented respectively by the Boston Athenæum catalogue, prepared by Mr. Cutter; the Brooklyn catalogue, prepared by Mr. Noyes; the French catalogue, edited by M. Lorenz; and the Columbia College catalogue, prepared by Mr. Dewey. Without going into any tedious details regarding these catalogues it may be simply said that they agree in one grand feature, in that they all recognize the necessity of entering every book under the author's name, and under the subject of which it treats. They thus alike satisfy on the one hand those readers who are in search of any or all the books of a particular author, and on the other hand those students who are in search of any book or all the books upon any particular subject. Their chief difference consists in the mode in which the author and subject-entries are arranged. The Boston catalogue arranges all the authors and specific subjects in one alphabet, so that authors and subjects are mixed together in one list. The Brooklyn catalogue is similar to this, except that it inserts in the proper place in the alphabet, certain classes—\textit{e. g.}, Biblical literature, Fine arts—containing all the works in the library coming under these general topics. The French catalogue comprises two parts. The first part contains all the authors arranged in alphabetical order; the second, all specific subjects arranged in alphabetical order. The Columbia College catalogue also contains two parts: the first part, like the French catalogue, an alphabetical list of authors; and the second, a classified arrangement of subjects based upon the classification of the library. This last arrangement thus brings together not only all books upon a special subject, but brings into logical relation all books belong-
ing to cognate subjects, and thus seems best to satisfy the wants of general students in any department of knowledge. The principal objection made to this arrangement is met by a subject-index which indicates in what class any particular subject is to be found. Your committee have adopted the last method; but have had the cards of the catalogue so written that they can, without re-writing, be thrown into any one of the other forms, if this should be found desirable.

Besides the general catalogue, the committee have thought it proper to make a title-catalogue of all works of fiction, and also a brief catalogue of all books in the library suitable for young persons. They have also adopted the method employed in every well-arranged library of entering all books received in an accession-catalogue, which forms a sort of inventory, the last entry indicating the whole number of volumes in the library. A shelf-list is also carefully kept, which shows the order of the books upon the shelves, and which is necessary to ascertain whether any book has been lost, or is missing from any cause.

It is, perhaps, not necessary to make any further statement regarding the plan of organization. Nothing has been said of the method of charging books to borrowers, the method of purchasing, of keeping a record of orders, of gifts, of preserving the statistics of accessions, circulation, and many other matters of detail which might not be specially interesting or significant. But it is believed that under the careful supervision of a competent librarian there is no reason why the library need not be properly and efficiently administered.

In passing to consider what has already been accomplished during the past year, the committee desire it to be understood that in their work they have not been influenced by the mere desire of display, or of simply increasing the number of books upon the shelves. With the generous appropriations that have been given to them, it would have been possible to add to the library a much larger number of volumes than they have done, and this might, perhaps, have better satisfied the popular idea of growth. But the committee realized that they were directly responsible to those who could readily distinguish between the quantity and quality of the books added to the shelves.

As is well-known, there was on hand at the beginning of the
year about 12,000 volumes, which had been purchased from the old Athenæum library. This number has been increased by some volumes given to the library before the present board was organized. This collection, while possessing many works of value was greatly disproportioned—about one-third of it being made up of books of fiction. The works in the various sciences were far behind the times. There were very few standard religious works. The departments of history, travels and literature, were, however, quite well selected, and contained many works of standard value. But in the department of the useful arts and the fine arts, there was scarcely any book worthy of the name. In the entire collection there were scarcely any works which could be regarded as standard reference-books. The only complete encyclopedias were the seventh edition of the Britannica and an old edition of Appleton's. There was not an unbroken set of any single periodical, and of those volumes which remained, many were in a condition which rendered them unfit for use. There were no standard bibliographical works, except a few which Mr. Harris had obtained to aid him in bringing some order out of the confused mass which had come into his possession. This frank statement is not intended, by any means, as a criticism upon its previous administration. Being absolutely dependant upon the public for its support, its managers were evidently compelled to heed the popular demand which was manifestly evinced in an inextinguishable yearning for fiction.

Your committee, in entering upon the work before them, believed that their action would be justified by the Board, if they proceeded upon the theory that the Reynolds library was intended to be a great educational institution for the intellectual elevation and moral improvement of society. At the outset, two methods of procedure presented themselves: either first to classify and catalogue all the old works then in possession of the library, a work which would require many months for its completion; or secondly, to build up an entirely new reference-department, containing the principal standard encyclopaedias, and comprehensive treatises on the various branches of science, religion, history, literature and art, a work which could be fairly well done in a comparatively short time. By adopting the latter method, the library could soon be made serviceable to a large class of readers.
and students, who were desirous of consulting the latest standard works in the several branches of human knowledge. The exceptionally large appropriations for the first year also favored this plan, since the works to be purchased for such a reference library would be exceptionally valuable and expensive. It was accordingly decided to build up the several classes in the reference department, in the order in which they appear in the general scheme of the library classification as adopted by the committee: I. Bibliography. II. Encyclopædias and General Reference Works. III. Periodicals. A number of bibliographical works were first purchased, such as seemed absolutely necessary to carry on the work of the library in the way of cataloguing, and the selection of books for purchase. These included the most general works on bibliography, the catalogues of the principal libraries in the country, reference lists in the British Museum, and special works on library administration. While there are many standard bibliographical works—like the French Catalogue of Lorenz—which should be in the library, the present collection of 158 volumes fairly supplies our present needs. In passing to the next great class, which comprises encyclopædias and general reference-works, which were intended to be placed in the reading-room and made accessible to the public, the committee were obliged to undertake that most formidable task of selecting a limited number of volumes, which would cover in a general way the whole range of human knowledge. The collection was intended to include not simply general encyclopædias, but also general treatises on the various branches of knowledge, arranged in the order of the adopted scheme of classification, that is, general treatises in philosophy, in mathematics and physics, in natural sciences, in medicine, etc. It was also designed that each collection should contain not only standard works in English, but also, at least one standard work in French and in German. The committee have been greatly aided in their selection of books by experts in the several departments. The extent to which this work has been successfully accomplished must be left to your judgment. As a single specimen of the work it may be sufficient to say that the class of encyclopædias includes: the Encyclopædia Americana, Appleton’s last edition with annuals, the Iconographic Encyclopædia, Zell’s, Johnson’s Encyclopædia, latest edition, the Penny
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Encyclopædia, Knight's English Encyclopædia, Rees' Encyclopædia, the Popular Encyclopædia, the London Encyclopædia, Chambers' Encyclopædia, the Edinburg Encyclopedia, the Encyclopædia Metropolitana, the 3d, 7th, 8th and 9th editions of the Encyclopædia Britannica, with some others of less importance, like Brande and Cox's Dictionary of Science, Literature and Art, Beeton's Dictionary of Universal Information, etc. This class also contains the French Encyclopædia of Larousse, and the German Encyclopædias of Brockhaus and Meyer, so far as these have been completed. We may also be pardoned for calling attention to certain other volumes of special value, contained in this collection of reference-books, for example: Roscoe & Schorlemmer, Treatise on Chemistry, 9 volumes; Watt's Dictionary of Chemistry, 6 volumes; Leunis' Synopsis der drei Naturreiche, 7 volumes; Baird, Brewer and Ridgway's North American Birds, 5 volumes; Sprague and Goodale, Wild Flowers of America, 2 volumes; Eaton's Ferns of North America, 2 volumes; Kingsley's Standard Natural History, 6 volumes; Zeimssen's Encyclopædia of the Practice of Medicine, 21 volumes; Ashhurst's International Encyclopædia of Surgery, 6 volumes; Buck's Reference Hand-Book of the Medical Sciences, 3 volumes (in process of publication); Todd's Encyclopædia of Anatomy and Surgery, 4 volumes; Herzog and Plitt's Real Encyklopaedie fur Protestantische Theologie und Kirche, 16 volumes (in process of publication); Planche's Cyclopædia of Costume. 2 volumes; Hope's Costume of the Ancients, 2 volumes; Nouvelle Biographie General, 46 volumes; Feti's Biographie Universelle des Musiciens, 10 volumes; Narrative and Critical History of America, edited by Justin Winsor (in process of publication), 4 volumes; The Imperial Dictionary of the English Language, 4 volumes; The Encyclopædic Dictionary (publishing), 8 volumes; Murray's New English Dictionary (in process of publication), 2 parts; Littre's French Dictionary, 4 volumes; Sander's German Dictionary, 3 volumes; Debave's Manuel de l'Ingenieur, 7 volumes, with 3 volumes of plates; Waldegg's Handbuch der Ingenieur-Wissenschaften, 10 volumes. The various dictionaries upon Politics, Political Economy, History, etc., published by Hachette and Co., of Paris, are also worthy of special mention. The whole number of volumes in this department is now 1,440.
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Some attention has also been paid to the department of Public Documents. A large number of contributions have been made to the department by our Congressmen and also by private citizens, so that it contains between 2,000 and 3,000 volumes. Although these works have not yet been catalogued, they are arranged in systematic order upon the shelves where they are easy of access.

Before leaving this general subject of the Reference Department the committee desires to call special attention to one fact which has given them great satisfaction, and that is the care which is exercised by the public in the use of books placed at their disposal. Of the 1,500 volumes which they are allowed to take freely from the shelves not a single volume has been lost or in any way injured. When it is remembered that many of these works are quite valuable and expensive, and that not a few of them contain costly plates—this fact is believed to be an unmistakable evidence of the appreciation with which the public view the privileges granted them. It should also be noticed that of large number of current periodicals which are placed at the disposal of the public, and which are constantly being read, not one
has been torn or in any other way rendered unfit for binding.

The building up of the Reference Department was evidently intended for the benefit of students and readers of mature minds. In turning their attention to the Circulating Department, it seemed proper to the committee to begin its work of organization in such a way as to satisfy the wants of a younger class of readers. This plan also seemed to be required by the ravenous demands of the juveniles themselves, who flocked into the library rooms with the evident opinion that the library was established for their special benefit. The shelves of the library were therefore carefully ransacked and all books that appeared suitable for this purpose were culled out. A collection of about a thousand volumes was made, including a number of standard authors which it seemed best to purchase. The volumes were catalogued and shelved, and two days in the week set apart for their circulation. Having thus disposed of the young people, the work of classification and cataloguing was extended to the remaining portion of the books intended for the circulating department.

In summing up the present condition of the library, it may be said in brief that the library now contains about 16,000 volumes. The exact number of volumes cannot be ascertained until they have all been catalogued. About 4,300 volumes have been added during the past year; of these about 2,500 were obtained by purchase and about 1,800 by gift. During the past year 5,309 volumes have been catalogued. Considering the fact that only one person is engaged in the work of cataloguing, it is believed that the work has been carried forward as rapidly as could be expected.

In addition to the munificent liberality with which Mr. Mortimer F. Reynolds supplied the funds of the library, he has given seven wall maps, five steel engraving portraits, Bradley's Atlas of the World, and 321 volumes (miscellaneous), many of them very valuable and rare. Among them is a full set of Rochester city directories, from 1827 to 1884.

We are gratified to express our thanks also, for the following donations:

From Mr. George H. Harris, 96 volumes.
From Mr. Hiram Sibley, a very costly set of 8 volumes in folio, containing Pietro Righetti, Descrizione del Campidogli; Marcus Vitruvius Pollio, De Architectura; Agostino Valentini, La Patriarcale Basilica Vaticana, all printed at Rome.

From Mr. James E. Booth, 186 volumes.

From Mrs. H. R. Selden, from the library of the late Judge H. R. Selden, a very valuable collection of 234 volumes, and many numbers of magazines, including New England Historical and Genealogical Register.

From Mr. D. W. Bush, 41 volumes.

From Dr. C. A. Dewey, 131 volumes.

From Mr. C. P. Dewey, 11 volumes.

From Mrs. W. H. Perkins, 57 volumes, including a complete set of Hunt’s Merchants’ Magazine, and the Democratic Review, volume one to twenty, in magnificent condition.

From Mr. Theodore Bacon, 27 volumes, including a complete set of the Atlantic Monthly.

From Mr. F. A. Whittlesey, 32 volumes.

From Dr. E. M. Moore, Atlas of Anatomy.

From Dr. W. S. Ely, about 100 volumes.

From Mrs. E. Darwin Smith, 131 volumes, from the library of the late Judge Smith. Among them are a set of the Register of Congressional Debates, 21 volumes of the American State papers, the Madison papers, the Elliot Debates, all in perfect condition.

From Mr. Elon Galusha, the first American edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica, printed at Philadelphia, 1795, in 21 volumes.

From Prof. W. C. Morey, Alphand’s Les Promenades de Paris.

From Dr. M. Landsberg, 52 volumes, including a complete set of the Popular Science Monthly.

From the United States Government, 123 volumes.

From the State of New York, 37 volumes.
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We are under great obligations to the Hon. J. Van Voorhis, H. S. Greenleaf and Charles S. Baker for the pains they have taken in promptly supplying us with government publications and public documents; to the Rochester Morning Herald, the Post-Express and the Union and Advertiser for supplying us with their daily issues; to the public libraries of Cincinnati, Chicago, Worcester, Providence and Boston for their finding-lists and for catalogues. The Boston Public Library has given to us 60 volumes and pamphlets.

We must not forget to mention the following persons from whom we received acceptable donations in books:


It is believed that if the attention of the citizens of Rochester is called to the fact that gifts of this kind are acceptable to the library, many contributions similar to those above will be received. Especial attention is called to the fact that it is desirable to establish in connection with the library a depository of all documents obtainable relating to the local history of Rochester and of Western New York. Many pamphlets and other documents of this kind are doubtless in the possession of many citizens which in their present condition have little worth, but which, if collected together, would be of great interest and value.
Before closing this report the committee desire to express their appreciation of the assistance which they have received from the persons now employed in the library. Special credit is due to our present librarian, Mr. Scott, whose excellent scholarship, systematic habits, and enthusiastic interest give assurance of a successful and prosperous administration.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
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Rochester, October 12, 1886. Library Committee.
TREASURER'S REPORT

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1885. July. Received from M. F. Reynolds $ 534 21
      Oct. 1. Received from M. F. Reynolds. 9,464 79 $10,000 00
1886. Jan. 1. Interest 71 85
      July 1. 61 58
      Sept. 1. Sale of books.. 25 00

$10,158 43

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Books, etc. . $5,708 92
      Binding. 674 65 $6,383 57
Paid for Salaries 1,978 30
      Lumber, Shelving, etc 934 91
      Furniture 400 00 3,313 21

$9,696 78

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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen—The Library Committee respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1887:

Before making any detailed statement as to what has been done during the year, the committee desire to express anew their gratitude to the founder of this institution, not only for the prospective gift which will at some future day place the library upon a firm basis, but also for the interest which he has shown in the present work of organization and the personal exertions with which he has seconded the efforts of the committee to make the library, as far as possible, of some immediate benefit to the public. When we recall the fact that the present corporation was originally designed rather for the purpose of becoming the recipient of a future endowment than for the purpose of executing a present trust, we gratefully acknowledge every present gift as a generous draft upon the future; and we can but regard any undue feeling of impatience as an evidence of ingratitude not worthy to be tolerated. It is but a trite remark to say that a great institution can afford to grow slowly. The committee can testify by personal intercourse with him whom we shall be ever proud to honor as our patron, that no one can surpass him in the desire that the library shall extend its benefits to the public as rapidly as is consistent with its means and the conditions of a healthy growth.

In the work of the past year the committee have kept before them the plan submitted and approved at the last annual meeting of the board. This plan involved two general purposes: first, to build up as rapidly as possible a fair working reference-department to be placed at the immediate disposal of the public; and secondly, to proceed with the work of cataloguing and shelving the rest of the books in their possession (including those obtained from the old Athenæum Library) which should form the nucleus of a loan-department to be opened to the public as soon as its condition would warrant such a disposition.

The work which has been done in the reference-department will
appear from the following statements. At the last annual report there were catalogued and shelved in this part of the library 1,552 volumes, of which 140 volumes were works on bibliography, and 1,412 volumes were encyclopaedias, dictionaries and other general reference works. During the past year there have been catalogued and added to this department 2,642 volumes, of which 1,336 were obtained by purchase and 1,306 by gift (including those derived from the old Athenæum.) Special attention has been paid to the work of completing the sets of the standard reviews. In performing this work, there has been collected, in addition to the bound volumes that have been catalogued and shelved, a large number of unbound volumes, which have been systematically arranged and labeled, and which will be useful in completing the sets already begun.


The committee have also deemed it wise to begin the collection of the transactions of the more important learned societies. This at present is scarcely more than a beginning, although it contains in
more or less complete form the transactions of the following societies: Académie Royal des Sciences, Historie, 166 vols. (series complete to 1778); American Public Health Association, 4 vols.; Anthropological Society of England, 8 vols. (complete); Archæological Institute of America; Asiatic Society, 11 vols.; Microscopical Society of England, 18 vols. (complete to 1877); National Association for the Promotion of Social Science, 27 vols. (complete to 1883); New York Historical Society, 17 vols.; Royal Agricultural Society of England, 33 vols. (complete to 1872); Royal Geographical Society of England, Journals, 49 vols.; and Proceedings 8 vols. (complete to date); Royal Society of London—abridgement of Philosophical Transactions to 1800, 18 vols.

The whole number of volumes catalogued and shelved in the reference-department is at present 4,194, distributed as follows: 174 volumes of works on bibliography, 1,651 volumes of encyclopædias, dictionaries and other general reference-works placed in the reading-room, 2,008 volumes of American, English and French periodicals, and 360 volumes of society transactions.

In addition to the work done in the reference-department, the work of cataloguing the remaining books in the possession of the library has been carried on. At the time of the last annual report there had been catalogued and shelved in this part of the library, 2,585 vols. During the past year there have been catalogued and added to this department, 3,569 volumes, making a present total of 6,154 volumes. These works, which have been drawn almost entirely from the old Athenæum collection, are generally of a standard character, but often somewhat out of date, especially in the department of natural science and history. The committee do not deem it expedient to open this department for loaning until it can be supplied with a considerable number of accessions, which are necessary to make it sufficiently creditable to warrant such an action. The catalogue of these books is, however, placed in the reading-room, and readers are permitted, if they desire, to draw them for hall-use.

The only exception to the present policy of retaining the books in the library to be used only for reference purposes is made in the case of juveniles. The collection of books set apart for the use of young readers, although small, has been improved both as to size and character, so that the demand of the young folks seems to be fairly met. If this exception continues to be made, however, in favor of juvenile
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readers, it is believed that something might still be expended for their benefit. The extent to which this collection is used may be seen from the following statistics:

Days on which loans have been made........................................... 102
Total circulation............................................................................ 11,961
Largest monthly circulation, March................................................. 1,270
Smallest "    " July..................................................................... 810
Largest daily circulation, Nov. 20.................................................. 172
Smallest "    " July 20................................................................. 71
Average daily circulation.................................................................. 117

In summing up the present condition of the library as compared with that of last year, the following statement will suffice, which includes only the number of volumes catalogued and shelved:

LAST YEAR'S REPORT.

Reference department.......................................................... 1,552
Circulating department..................................................... 2,587

Total....................................................................................... 4,139

ACCESSIONS DURING THE YEAR.

By purchase................................................................. 1,576
By gift................................................................................. 4,719

Total....................................................................................... 6,295
Deducting books condemned.............................................. 84

Net increase.............................................................................. 6,211

PRESENT NUMBER OF VOLUMES.

Reference department..................................................... 4,194
Circulating " ........................................................................ 6,154

Total....................................................................................... 10,348

The detailed statement of these accessions and the several classes to which they belong is presented in the librarians annual report of volumes in the library. It will be noted that the accessions by gift include the volumes catalogued from the old Athenæum library, presented by Mr. Reynolds. The gifts to the library during the past year also include 636 volumes and 469 pamphlets. The names of the donors and the number of the volumes and pamphlets given by each are presented in the appendix accompanying this report.

WILLIAM C. MORREY,
FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,

Library Committee.
## GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

1886-1887.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

(For the year ending September 30th, 1887.)

RECEIPTS.
Cash on hand October 1st, 1886 ............... 461.65
Received from M. F. Reynolds .................. 3,000.00
Fines, books sold, interest, &c. .............. 652.46

$4,114.11

EXPENDITURES.
Executive Committee .......................... 2,153.93
Library Committee .................................. 1,471.95
Balance on hand ................................ 488.23

$4,114.11
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OF THE

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OF

THE REYNOLDS LIBRARY,

ROCHESTER, N. Y

OCTOBER 1ST, 1888.
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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees

GENTLEMEN: The Library Committee respectfully submit to you herewith their third annual report.

The work performed by the committee during the past year has been upon the lines already indicated in the previous reports, viz.: first, the cataloguing and systematic arranging of the books already in the Library; and, secondly, the expansion of the Library so far as their means would permit in the direction of supplying the most apparent deficiencies in the reference department and of meeting the present needs of readers and students so far as these needs have been made evident.

At the last annual report there were catalogued and placed on the shelves of the Library for public use 10,348 volumes. Of these 4,194 volumes belonged to the reference department, and 6,154 volumes to the circulating department. There have been catalogued during the year and added to the reference department 825 vols. increasing this department to 5,019 vols.; and there have been added to the circulating department, 1,786 vols., increasing this department to 7,940 vols. In other words, there have been catalogued and added to the shelves of the whole Library 2,611 vols., making the present number of volumes catalogued 12,959.

Besides these volumes already catalogued there is now in possession of the Library the following number of uncatalogued volumes: 3,781 volumes of public documents—1,197 vols. being New York State documents, and 2,584 vols. being United States documents; 371 volumes of newspapers, 261 volumes of which are bound; 293 unbound volumes of magazines; 817 volumes of prose fiction; and 59 miscellaneous volumes, making the total
number of uncatalogued volumes 5,321. If this number be added to the number already catalogued, it will be seen that the Library has now in its possession 18,280 volumes.

In the additions made to the Library the committee have endeavored, as far as possible, first, to keep the reference department supplied with available books by the purchase of encyclopaedias and dictionaries, and by filling up the sets of English periodicals; secondly, to purchase as fast as favorable opportunities afforded the collected works of standard English authors; and, thirdly, to supply the present demand of readers so far as this demand has been made known. To indicate the character of these additions the following list is submitted comprising some of the most important purchases made by the committee.


These comprise 725 volumes. The whole number of volumes added by purchase has been 1,206, the remaining volumes being of a more miscellaneous character, but chiefly relating to American history and English literature.

The extent to which the Library has been used during the past year is a subject which should be presented to the attention of the board. Of course we cannot yet hope to rival the larger and older Libraries of our country in the matter of circulation. The following statement, however, will show that the Library has not lain entirely idle. The Library has been open for circulation only two days in the week, or one hundred and one days during the year. The largest number of books drawn in any day was 225 volumes. The largest number drawn in any month was 1,565 volumes. The total number drawn for home use was 12,793 volumes. Besides these there have been drawn from the loan department for hall use 2,860 volumes, making the whole number of books drawn from the loan department 15,653 vols.

But this is very far from indicating the actual use which has been made of the Library. The home circulation has been confined to a great extent to juvenile readers. The most valuable use which has been made of the Library has been, we believe, made by those persons who are in the habit of consulting the large number of books placed in the reading room, to which the public has access without the formality of "drawing." The only statistics which can indicate in any way the extent to which the books in the reference department have been used must be derived from the number of persons in attendance in the reading room. Since the first of December last, this attendance has been carefully noted and recorded. The largest daily attendance was 61, the smallest 39. The largest monthly attendance was 1,650, the smallest 977. The total attendance recorded has been 12,272, of which 10,468 have been men, and 1,804 have been women. It must be remembered that these figures do not cover the entire year, but only ten months or since the first of December, 1887. With the average daily attendance nearly 50 our small reading room has been used well-nigh to the extent of its capacity.

In the reading room is afforded an opportunity of consulting not only the standard reference books upon the various
branches of science and literature, but also the current numbers of the best American and English periodicals. A list of the periodicals received during the past year, the current numbers of which are placed in the reading room at the disposal of readers, is here submitted:


The Committee desire to express their obligations to those persons who have been donors to the library during the year. We have received from this source 1,272 volumes and 145 pamphlets. Special acknowledgment is due to the Hon. Chas. S. Baker for being instrumental in obtaining over 600 volumes of United States Government documents; to the Post Express Printing Company; to the Hon. Donald McNaughton, and the Hon. H. S. Greenleaf, for volumes of public documents, both
State and National; to S. J. Macy for 64 volumes, many of which are quite rare and valuable; to D. W. Powers for 70 volumes; to S. D. Wallbridge for 28 bound volumes of early Rochester newspapers; to W. F. Peck for 36 volumes; to George P Breck for 10 volumes; and to George W. Rafter for a valuable collection of 112 microscopic plates.

The Committee also desire to express their thanks to the Post Express, the Union and Advertiser, and the Rochester Morning Herald, for the daily editions of their papers. A complete list of the gifts to the library during the year is appended to this report.

In closing this report the committee wish to express their appreciation of the services of the acting librarian, A. S. Collins, whose zealous interest and untiring industry have contributed much to the efficient administration of the library.

Signed,

William C. Morey,
Frederick A. Whittlesey,
Max Landsberg,
Library Committee.
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Hebard, Chas. W Newspapers.
Leckenby, A. B. 5 cases Botanical Specimens.
Rafter, Geo. W 112 Microscopic Plates.
Reynolds, M. F Newspapers.

CURRENT PERIODICALS.

Academy of Science, Photographic Section, .Anthony’s Photographic Bulletin.
“ ” .Photographic Times.
American Rural Home .American Antiquarian.
Bacon, Theodore Journal American Folk Lore.
Butler, William Mill .Pythian Knight.
Ellwanger, G .Garden.
“ ” Gardener’s Chronicle.
“ ” Gardener’s Magazine.
“ ” Gardener’s Monthly.
Lomb, Henry .Sanitarian.

CURRENT NEWSPAPERS.

Post Express Printing Company .Post Express.
Rochester Herald Company Morning Herald.
Union and Advertiser Company Union and Advertiser.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1888.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand October 1, 1887 .......... $ 488 23
Received from M. F. Reynolds .... 3,000 00
Fines, Books sold, Interest, &c. .... 125 67

$3,613 90

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries and Contingent Expenses .... $1,296 53
Books .... 1,357 94
Periodicals .... 301 67
Binding .... 198 20
Extra help and Sundries .... 136 94
Balance on hand .... 322 62

$3,613 90
FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

LIBRARY COMMITTEE AND TREASURER

—OF—

THE REYNOLDS LIBRARY,

ROCHESTER, N. Y

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1889.

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Post-Express Printing Co.
1889.
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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen: In submitting to you their Fourth Annual Report the Library Committee have no statements to make that would indicate any material changes in the policy of administration hitherto pursued. They have continued to use the resources at their disposal in trying to perfect the organization of the Library and to supply the special needs of those who patronize it.

With the limited force now employed, the work of bringing every part of the library into that complete system which is desirable is of necessity somewhat slow. The committee have kept before them, however, high ideals of organization and administration, and have been patient in striving to realize them. They believe that the ultimate utility of the library will be in proportion to the completeness of its system and methods; but they do not lose sight of the fact that mere methods have no merit in themselves and that they are creditable only so far as they are means to a higher end. While the library is yet in its formative period there is afforded a favorable opportunity of putting it into such a shape as to make all its resources, present and future, to the greatest extent available.

It is by no means to be deplored that the growth of the library has been slow. This fact has prevented many embarrassments which no doubt would have been presented, and many mistakes which doubtless would have been made, had the growth of the library been hastened by a large and sudden accumulation of books. The committee are, therefore, taking every advantage of this incipient stage to prepare for the time when larger resources shall be placed at their disposal and larger demands shall be made by the reading public.
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The progress of cataloguing the books in the possession of the library has been as rapid as could possibly be expected, considering the thoroughness of the work done and the limited amount of cataloguing force employed. To give some idea of the work done, it may not be out of place to say that the cataloguing of books in the library includes: (1) their entry upon an accession catalogue, which contains the name and description of all books in the order of their accession, and which forms a sort of inventory of books, and is necessary for the ultimate identification of each book, and for ascertaining its history and fate, for example, whether lost or condemned; (2) their entry upon a shelf list, containing the names of all books in the various departments, classes and divisions of the library, in the order in which they are placed upon the shelves in each department, class or division, which list is necessary to ascertain what books, if any, are missing or unaccounted for; (3) their entry into the author catalogue, which contains the names of all the books in the library, arranged under their respective authors, which catalogue, it is needless to say, is required to ascertain what books of any author are in the possession of the library; (4) their entry into the subject catalogue, which contains the names of all books arranged under the various departments, classes, divisions and subdivisions to which they belong, and which also contains an index of specific topics, showing in what class or division the names of books upon such topics may be found. This last named catalogue is necessary for students and those investigating any general or special subject, to ascertain the resources of the library upon such subject. A catalogue of this character can scarcely ever be said to be finished. When all the entire works have been catalogued under the topics to which they belong, it is desirable that important essays, discourses, dissertations upon certain topics, contained in books should be catalogued and placed under the topic of which they treat; and it is always an open question to what extent such cataloguing of the contents of books should be carried. Thus far in our library it has been the policy to catalogue entire books only; a list, however, is kept of such books, the contents of which it would be desirable at some future time to catalogue. In addition, each book receives a book-plate, a card-pocket for which a book-card is made, is stamped in two places with the name of the library, has its shelf-mark placed upon the accession book, and a record of it is kept in order to make up the catalogue report for the year.
These statements have been made, not with the presumption of giving any information on the subject of cataloguing, but simply to indicate what is actually done in this library.

The Annual Report of last year shows that there were at that time catalogued and placed on the shelves for public use, 12,959 volumes—the reference department containing 5,019 volumes, and the circulating department 7,940 volumes. During the past year there have been catalogued and added to the reference department 2,948 volumes and to the circulating department 1,054 volumes, the total number of additions being 4,002 volumes—making the present number of volumes catalogued 16,961.

The books added to the reference department include the United States public documents in possession of the library, which have now all been catalogued and systematically arranged on the shelves by congress and sessions; the special government publications, however, being arranged by departments and bureaus. With the aid of the printed catalogue of government publications and our own catalogue, it is possible to ascertain whether the library contains any particular publication or report which has ever been issued by the government. It may be said that the library contains about 2,000 congressional documents and special government publications, extending with few gaps from the thirty-fourth to the forty-eighth congress, including very many valuable reports and special documents. With the aid now at hand of discovering with ease the contents of this mass of literature, which is often regarded as cumbersome, if not absolutely useless, it is possible for the political student, who wishes to investigate American history from its original sources, to find here much material of value.

In addition to the volumes above reported as already catalogued and shelved, the library has also in its possession the following number of uncatalogued volumes: New York and other state documents, 1,253 volumes; newspapers, 533 volumes; unbound magazines, 416 volumes; miscellaneous, 159 volumes—making a total of 2,361 volumes still to be catalogued. The library also contains 1,310 volumes of duplicates. These have been derived from the duplicates of the old Athenaeum Library, from duplicates coming from the filling up of sets of books, and from the gifts of books, copies of which were already contained in the library. Many of these duplicates may be found to be of sufficient value or utility to
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justify their being retained and catalogued. Many will be of service in effecting exchanges with other libraries, an effort to accomplish which will be made as soon as possible. Those that remain will need to be sold to clear the shelves. All these books, however, form a part of the real wealth of the library. If these, together with the other uncatalogued books just referred to, be added to those already catalogued it gives as the total number of volumes now in the library 20,632.

The question of selecting and purchasing new books grows in importance and difficulty with the limitation of the funds set apart for that purpose. The funds needed for purposes of efficient administration necessarily encroach more and more upon the means devoted to the increase of the number of books obtained by purchase. To those acquainted with the actual working of libraries, there can scarcely be a question as to the relative importance of these two factors of library economy. In a library which is intended as a mere depository of books, which has no regard for the means required to make its possessions available and useful, whose chief weapons of administration are a key and a club, the funds set apart for the mere purchase of books may be far in excess of that used for administration. In a library, however, which recognizes the need of effective measures to keep its army of books in an organized shape and under proper control, so that it may quickly respond to all demands made upon it, the fund set apart for administration must be relatively large. Giving thus due recognition to the importance of providing for an efficient administration, it is also true that a library loses sight of its real mission unless it seeks to supply the increasing demands of its readers by a generous purchase of new books.

The library which does not grow is moribund, if not dead. There is a certain need for an institution which professes to be a library, to meet the demands of the times. It is true that of the vast number of books which annually flood the market, but a small part is entitled to a place in a library of standard literature which professes to be an educational force. But to be an educational force it should try to make that valuable part available to its readers. These remarks are made only to indicate the obligation which the committee feel to meet as far as possible the real demands of intelligent readers, and also to suggest the difficulty of making that judicious selection which is above criticism. If
they have erred in judgment they are quite open to receive any counsel which will aid them in avoiding future mistakes.

The committee have first felt the need of keeping in the Library a sufficient number of magazines and reviews in the various departments of science and literature, to represent the drift of current thought. Two hundred and eighty-four dollars have been spent for this purpose. Many other periodicals might have been added to the list selected, but they believe that the number could not be wisely increased without encroaching upon funds which should be devoted to other uses. The list of periodicals taken during the year 1888–89 is here given that suggestions may be made which may improve it for the ensuing year:


In the selection of a limited number of books for purchase, it is easier to lay down negative than positive rules. No one will probably object to the rule of excluding books which have no more
than a mere ephemeral value. On the other hand it seems the part of wisdom for a library which is not rich, not to covet unusually expensive books or exceedingly rare editions. However much the bibliophile and the literateur may pride themselves on the possession of literary rarities, the custodians of a small library fund will do well to remember that these are the luxuries of literature, rarely to be indulged in before a library has reached the luxurious stage of its evolution. But between these two extremes of worthlessness and expensiveness, there is a sufficiently wide range of books whose need seems imperative, but whose acquisition seems impossible, simply because they all cost money, and money is a limited commodity. To the librarian whose complacent belief in the superior perfection of his own system outweighs all considerations of practical utility, it seems of the utmost importance that his library should attain symmetry; and that books should be bought solely with reference to filling up the vacant classes which have been created by his own logical fancy. But it is very often the case, that the reading world has little need of the books which he deems necessary to fill up his vacant spaces. Moreover, to preserve an equable proportion in all the departments of a library, however well classified, would require a large amount of available funds. In our present condition we, therefore, deem it a good negative rule, not to buy a book simply because we have a good place for it.

Without further specifying rules of a negative character, it may not be out of place to indicate some positive principles by which we have sought to be guided. In the first place, we have tried to continue and complete, so far as possible, what we have begun, when we are not convinced that we were wrong in the beginning. This has led us to pay special attention to our periodicals and our serials throughout the library. In the next place, we have tried to fill up any gaps in our reference department wherever they have been apparent, not with the hope of attaining absolute completeness, which is impossible, but for the purpose of meeting as fully as we are able the wants of those who were likely to desire immediate information upon any subject, general or special, in science, religion, history, literature or art. Finally, we have tried to supply the actual and healthy wants of readers of all classes so far as these wants have been made known. The demands thus far have not been so urgent, but that we have with few exceptions been able to supply them. We have not, however, been eager to
create a demand which we knew was beyond our means to supply. In certain cases, some one person has expressed the desire for a greater number of technical works in his own department, and nothing would be more agreeable than to furnish even a single student with all the means necessary for his investigation; and this might be effected were it not necessary with our present resources to weigh carefully the claims of a single person as against those of a class of persons. We have been thus explicit that the Board may have some idea of the spirit which has guided the committee in making the few purchases that they have made during the past year.

The following periodicals have been purchased complete: the Edinburgh Review, 167 volumes; the Westminster Review, 124 volumes; the Foreign Quarterly Review, 37 volumes; Notes and Queries, 76 volumes. The following year books have been continued: Statesman's Year Book, MacPherson's Political Handbooks, Whittaker's Almanac, Almanac de Gotha, American Almanac, Hazell's Annual Cyclopædia, Appleton's Annual Cyclopædia, Poor's Railroad Manual, British Annual Register. The transactions of the following societies have been continued: British Association for the Advancement of Science, Royal Microscopical Society, Royal Geographical Society.

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In other departments of the Library the purchases have been made for the most part in answer to expressed desires. While the list here given may seem to be a small one, and may not seem to the student as especially recondite, we believe that it contains no works which are not of a standard character. The list does not, of course, include all purchases, but only specimens of the kind of purchases made.

In political science there have been bought: Woolsey's "Political Science," Bluntschli's "Theory of the State," Patton's "Natural Resources of the United States," Wilson's "Resources of Modern Countries," Austin's "Jurisprudence," and twenty-six miscellaneous and general volumes on political economy.

Of books on American history, there have been bought: Schouler's "History of United States"—continued, a number of juvenile histories of United States, (Coffin's works, etc.,) Comte de Paris "History of the Civil War in America," Bryce's "American Commonwealth," Blaine's "Twenty Years in Congress," War of Rebellion Records—five volumes to complete set, Winsor's "Critical History of United States"—continued, O'Callaghan's "History of New Netherlands."


Of other works there have been purchased: Furness' Variorum edition of Shakespeare, Delia Bacon's "Philosophy of Shake-

As to the use of the library, it may be said that the number of books circulated has been considerably greater than that of last year. As was the case last year, the mode in which the circulation has been conducted has tended, perhaps, not to encourage sufficient circulation beyond the ranks of juvenile readers. Whether it is not now judicious to extend the privileges of the Library and to encourage its more general use is a question which is respectfully submitted to the consideration of the Board. The hall attendance has been about twenty-five per cent. greater than that reported last year. The smallest monthly attendance has been 581; the largest 1,725. The total attendance recorded for the year is 15,760, of which 13,255 have been men, and 2,505 have been women. The daily average for the year has been 54.

The gifts to the library for the year have been 752 books and 399 pamphlets. A complete list of the gifts is appended to this report. Special acknowledgment is due to Dr. M. B. Anderson for a gift of 30 volumes; to Drew, Allis & Co., for 24 volumes; to Mrs. Susan D. Ely for 26 volumes; to Col. H. S. Greenleaf for 158 volumes; to George P. Humphrey for 17 volumes; to Hon. Donald McNaughton, for 42 volumes; to S. J. Macy for 62 volumes; to Howard L. Osgood for 27 volumes; to M. F. Reynolds for 82 volumes; to the United States Government for 122 volumes; to Hon. Charles S. Baker for obtaining government publications; also to the Post-Express printing company, the Union and Advertiser company and the Rochester Herald company, for files of their daily papers for the year.

The committee desire to say, in closing this report, that, whatever they may have done in the way of organization and direction, the results which have actually been accomplished have been due to the intelligent co-operation and zealous industry of our acting librarian, Mr. A. S. Collins.

William C. Morey,
Frederick A. Whittlesey,
Max Landsberg,
Library Committee.
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Harris, Geo. H. .................................................. 1 Photograph.
Landsberg, Dr. Max ............................................ 13 Nos. Periodicals.
McKinney, O. W. ............................................... 1 Bust of Shakespeare.
McNaughton, Hon. D. ......................................... 1 Centennial Medal.
Pixley, Frank M. ................................................ 3 Papers.
Reynolds, M. F. .................................................. 1 lot Newspapers.
Rochester, John H. ............................................. 1 Photograph.
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GIFTS OF CURRENT PERIODICALS.

American Rural Home ........................................... American Antiquarian.
Bacon, Theodore .............................................. Journal American Folk Lore.
Butler, Wm. Mill .............................................. Pythian Knight.
Ellwanger, Geo. ............................................... Garden.
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Lomb, Henry .................................................... Sanitarian.

GIFTS OF CURRENT NEWSPAPERS.

Post-Express Printing Co. .................................... Post-Express.
Rochester Herald Co. ......................................... Morning Herald.
Union and Advertiser Co. ..................................... Union and Advertiser.
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1889.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand October 1, 1888. $ 322.62
Received from M. F. Reynolds 3,000.00
Fines, Books Sold, Interest, &c. 115.67

$3,438.29

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries and Contingent Expenses $4,379.33
Books 1,160.56
Periodicals 284.52
Binding 258.42
Sundries 32.94
Balance on hand 322.52

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OF THE

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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen: The Library Committee respectfully submit to you their Fifth Annual Report.

At the last annual meeting of the Board the whole number of volumes in the library, catalogued and shelved, was reported to be 16,961, of which 7,967 vols. belonged to the reference department, and 8,994 vols. to the circulating department. During the past year there have been catalogued and added to the shelves of the library 3,322 vols., increasing the total number to 20,283 vols. Of these, 10,541 belong to the reference department and 9,742 to the circulating department. It is a satisfaction to the committee to be able to report that all the books in the possession of the library, whose condition warrants it, have now been catalogued and shelved for public use. The only volumes which are still in reserve are a number of broken sets and unbound numbers of periodicals amounting to 925 volumes; and also a number of duplicates, which will be used for purposes of exchange, amounting to 1,029 volumes. If these were included in the present inventory of books, the whole number now in the possession of the library should be reckoned at 22,237 volumes.

It is gratifying to be able to record the fact that there is a growing disposition on the part of the public to use the reading-room and to improve the large opportunities which are afforded in the way of consulting important works of reference. During the past year the number of readers in the reference department has been 17,218 at against 15,760 for the previous year, and 12,568 for the year before. Students from the public schools, the Free Academy and the University are learning to utilize the advantages which are offered them in this part of the library. A large number of persons are habitual readers of the standard American and English periodicals. Members of the literary societies and clubs scattered throughout the city are acquiring the habit of consulting the reference books of the library for purposes of investigation. There is no part of their work in which the committee are so desirous of meeting
the wants of readers as that which relates to the acquisition of those valuable sources of knowledge which are usually beyond the means of private individuals. And the efforts which have been made in this direction are, we believe, more and more appreciated by those who have occasion to consult such works. The early prejudice, which some persons feel against reading or consulting a book away from their own firesides, and which is often due either to a lack of knowledge of reference libraries or to a want of experience in their use, soon wears away as such persons come to realize the great general good that results from keeping intact a valuable body of encyclopaedic and periodical literature which may be consulted by any one at any time.

Whatever can be done to add to the convenience of readers the committee are desirous of doing. Under the authority of the Board the hours have been extended so that the library is now open from 10 A. M. until 10 P. M. The patronage which is given to the reading-room in the morning hours is sufficient to prove the wisdom of this change. During the summer months several proposed changes were made in the reading-room, which have added much to its size and attractiveness. The large cases which stood on the east side of the room have been removed. This has increased the size of the reading space to about 40 to 50 feet in area. Two new tables have also been added (which are reserved exclusively for ladies). There have also been placed in the room four new reference cases which afford space for a large number of books which had before been crowded from the shelves. The author and subject catalogues have also been made more accessible to readers. In connection with the improvement of the reading-room a stairway has been constructed from the delivery-room to the floor above, where there is sufficient shelving space to accommodate the surplus volumes of the library for a number of years to come. With the addition of a few slight changes which may yet be necessary to bring the delivery-room into closer connection with the reading-room, and thus to permit a more easy consultation of the general catalogue on the part of all readers, we believe that these improvements will give us for the present ample accommodation, and will more than compensate in convenience and comfort for the expense which has been incurred.

With these few statements regarding the extensions which have been made during the past year, the committee believe that it
may not be inappropriate at this time to present to the Board a brief outline of what has actually been accomplished during the five years of their administration. This is done with a belief that a succinct and specific statement of what has been effected in this comparative brief period of time will afford some basis for encouragement, and will show that the growth of the library has not been as slow as some may have been led to believe. It is also due to him whose great generosity has given birth to this philanthropic enterprise to know that, while he may have been looking to the future for a reward, the present already reveals a large and tangible compensation for his sacrifices. In spite of a few desultory criticisms, made for the most part by those who are misinformed as to the circumstances under which this benefaction was originally conceived, and who do not sufficiently appreciate the fact that the present library is but a preliminary step toward the larger library that is to be, and that the present privileges which the library affords are a gratuity in addition to that which was originally intended—in spite of these few misapprehensions we believe that all those persons who have faith in the future, and who can patiently await the results of time are fully appreciative of this munificent gift of which they and their children are to become the inheritors.

In presenting a statement as to the results which have already been accomplished, the committee are desirous that there should be kept clearly in mind the distinction between what they have attempted to do, and what they have not attempted to do. From the first organization of the Board it has been the unanimous and frequently expressed opinion of the members that the funds of the library could be most advantageously expended in the collection of valuable works of reference, which are indispensable to every intelligent person, but which are often beyond the reach of private means; in other words, that the library at present should be by way of eminence a reference library, and that the circulation of ordinary books should be only incidental and subsidiary to this main purpose. This opinion of the Board has been heartily shared by the committee. It is therefore with reference to the carrying out of this original purpose that the present status of the library is to be judged. While the work of organization and the methods of administration have been as scrupulously considered in the circulating as in the reference department, it is chiefly the latter which is to be considered in forming a judgment as to what has really been accomplished.
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The library, as is well known, first came into the possession of the books of the old Athenæum, about 10,000 of which were found to be available for our use. This number has within the past five years been increased to over 20,000 volumes. With the exception of a number of public documents there were practically no works of the old Athenæum library which were suitable for purposes of reference. With so small a beginning the reference department of the library now numbers over 10,000 volumes. This department is divided into six main classes. Class I includes works on Bibliography and library-economy; Class II, Encyclopædic works placed in the reading-room; Class III, Periodicals and Reviews; Class IV, Society Transactions and Reports; Class V, Public Documents; Class VI, Rarities and Special Collections, which on account of their value are reserved from general circulation. The present condition of these several classes may be indicated by a few illustrative statements.

I. The class of Bibliography contains 288 volumes. These works, though limited in number, cover quite a large range of subjects, comprising works upon general bibliography, upon the national bibliography of America, England and Germany, including the American catalogue, Hinrich's five year catalogue and nearly complete sets of the London and English Catalogue, also works upon the bibliography of special subjects, as the natural sciences, religion, literature and the arts, as well as works upon library-economy, like Edwards Memoirs of Libraries, with the catalogues of many of the principal libraries, as the Brooklyn, the Boston Athenæum, the Buffalo, the Cincinnati, the Milwaukee, and the Bodleian Library. The committee are free to admit that this class still needs several important works to make it what it should be even for our present requirements.

II. The class of Encyclopædic Works placed in the reading-rooms contains 1,824 volumes. These works have been selected with great care, and while an expert might notice the absence of many books in his own special department, we believe that it comprises in a general way the most important works which would ordinarily be needed for purposes of consultation. This class is divided into six subordinate divisions, viz.: (1) General encyclopædias; (2) Works on Philosophy and Science; (3) Works on Theology and Religion; (4) Works on History, Geography and Biography; (5) Works on Language and Literature; and (6)
Works on the Arts, useful and fine. It is, of course, difficult to indicate by any specific illustrations the character of the books in these several divisions. The briefest, and perhaps most significant illustrations might be indicated by referring to that most important class of works which is the chief refuge for the ordinary inquiring mind, viz.: the General Encyclopædias. These include American, English, French and German works. The American Encyclopædias include the Encyclopædia Americana; Appleton's encyclopædia, the first and second editions; Appleton's annuals, the first series and the new series to date; the Iconographic, Johnson's and Zell's encyclopædias. The English works include Hazell's annual encyclopædia; Beeton's dictionary of universal information; Brande and Cox's dictionary of science, literature and art; Brande & Cauvin's dictionary of science, etc.; Gregory's dictionary of arts and science; Chamber's encyclopædia, Chamber's information for the people; Globe encyclopædia; Knight's encyclopædia, London encyclopædia; Popular encyclopædia; Rees's Encyclopædia; Encyclopædia Metropolitana; Penny Encyclopædia; the Encyclopædia Britannica, the third edition, the supplement to the fourth, fifth and sixth editions, together with the seventh, eighth and ninth editions. The French encyclopædias include Diderot and D'Alembert's encyclopédie; Bachelet and Dezobry's dictionnaire des lettres, etc.; Beleze's Dictionnaire de la vie pratique; Bouillet's dictionnaire universal des sciences, etc.; Encyclopedie moderne, Dictionnaire de la conversation, and Larousse's grand dictionnaire universelle. The German encyclopædias include the latest edition of Meyers's Konversations-Lexikon and Brockhaus's Conversations-Lexikon. It is with no spirit of boasting, but from an extended acquaintance with libraries, that the committee feel safe in expressing the belief that there is no other library in this country of the size of this which possesses a more complete collection of general encyclopædias.

This enumeration may be regarded a sample of what the committee have attempted to do in the selection of other works contained in the reading-room.

III. The class of periodicals comprises 3,616 volumes. To those who understand the arduous task which is involved in procuring complete sets of periodicals, which may have been in process of publication for fifty or a hundred years, it may be interesting to know what success has attended these efforts. We are sure
that your patience will not be wearied in hearing the list of the sets of periodicals in the library which are perfect, that is, with not a single volume wanting. This list is as follows:

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In addition to the above list of complete sets of periodicals the following list has been prepared showing the periodicals which have been nearly or partly completed. This list is presented here not only for the information of the Board, but also for the purpose of enabling us by exchanging our report with other libraries to obtain the wanting numbers. The volumes indicated are those which are in possession of the library.

- American almanac, 1830-1861, 1878 to date.
- American annual register, 1825-29, 1830, 1832.
- American architect, vols. 5-14, 19 to date.
- American whig review, vols. 1-4, 7, 10-16.
- Annual register (Dodsleys), 1758-1839, 1887-88.
- Appleton's journal, vols. 1-16.
- Art journal, 1849-1870.
- Bankers almanac and register, vols. 1, 5-6, 9-13, 17-34, 36.
- Biblical repository, vols. 1-5, 11-22.
- Commercial and financial chronicle, vols. 17-23, 29-38, 42 to date.
- Democrat and chronicle, 1834-37, 1839-61, 1864-76, 1886-90.
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Knickerbocker magazine, vols. 6-20, 22-26, 28, 33-36, 38-64.
Littell's living age, vols. 1-14, 16-184.
Magazine of american history, vols. 4-7, 10. 15-23.
Missionary herald, vols. 17-20, 24-37.
Monthly review, vols. 1-150.
Nation, vols. 4, 6-50.
Poor's manual of railroads, vols 3-6, 8-22.
Rochester evening express, 1859-1876, 1886-89.
" Supplement, vols. 1-9, 12, 14-16, 19-29.
Tribune almanac, 1838-86, 1888-89.
Union and advertiser, 1828, 1829-31, 1832-34, 1839-42, 1848-53,
1864-76, 1888-89.
Vick's monthly magazine, vols. 2-11.

The following periodicals we have from the date indicated.

Academy, 1886 to date.
Almanach de Gotha, 1876 to date.
Argus almanac, 1888 "
Athenaeum, 1886 "
Critic, 1886 "
Post-express, 1888 "
Scientific American, architects and builders edition, 1888 to date.
Spectator, 1888 to date.
Statesman's year book, 1880 to date.
Whittaker's almanac, 1884 "
Revue des deux mondes, 1886 to date.
London quarterly, 1886 to date.
Sidereal messenger, 1886 to date.
Sanitarian, 1886 to date.
Outing, 1886 to date.
Magazine of art, 1886 to date.

IV The class of Society Transactions and Reports comprises 524 volumes. The library now contains the following complete sets:
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Vol's.

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Anthropological review ........................................... 8
Asiatic researches .................................................. 11
British Assoc. for Advancement of Science ...................... 59
Monthly microscopical journal .................................. 18
Nat. Assoc. for Promotion Social Science ....................... 29
Royal Geographical Soc. of London—Journal ...................... 49
" " " —Proceedings ................................................. 11
Royal microscopical journal ..................................... 9

The following transactions also are in process of completion, the number of volumes in each set in the library being indicated:

Transactions of American Institute, vols. 6, 9, 13-14, 17-22, 24, 31-32.
Royal Agricultural Society, vols. 1-33.
Royal Society of London—Abridgement, 1665-1800.

V. The class of Public Documents contains 4,269 volumes. This collection is in many respects remarkable in extent for a library so young. It includes an almost complete set of the leather-covered Congressional documents, extending from the first session of the Thirty-third Congress, to the second and special session of the Forty-eight Congress, inclusive, and covering a period of more than fifty years. It includes also a complete set of all the records and debates of Congress from the foundation of the government to the year 1885 (with the exception of 5 vols.) These records comprise (1) Annals of Congress, 42 vols.; (2) Register of Debates, 21 vols.; (3) Congressional globe, 108 vols. and (4) Congressional record, 70 vols. This class also contains a complete set of that collection of original documents invaluable to every student of American history, the American state papers, published in 38 folio vols.; also Peter Force's American archives. Besides these more general collections there are a very large number of the special publications of the several departments. Without stopping to enumerate the more ordinary publications, such as the Diplomatic correspondence, the Reports on foreign relations, Commercial relations, Consular Reports, reports of the Commissioner of Ed-
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ucation, etc., the following are worthy of note: Official records of the War of the Rebellion, (complete to date) 28 vols.; Hayden's survey of the territories, quarto reports, 10 vols.; the United States geological survey, (complete) including the reports; the Monographs, the Bulletins and the Statistical papers; also the complete reports of the U. S. census, from the fourth census of 1820 to the tenth census of 1880, inclusive; also a complete set (with the exception of two volumes) of all the publications of the Smithsonian Institute, including the Reports, 35 vols.; the Collections, 31 vols. and the Contributions, 26 vols. This enumeration will serve to show the character of the works of this class, although no mention has been made of state and municipal documents, of which the library contains a fair collection.

VI. The class set apart for rarities and valuable collections is of necessity very small at present. Any library, however, would be adorned with one set of works in our possession, the gift of the late Hiram Sibley, which includes: La Patriarcale Basilica Vaticana, Illustrata per cura di Agostino Valentini, 2 vols.; Vitruvii de Architectura; Declarati ab Aloisio Marinio, 4 vols.; Descrizione de Campidoglio, di Pietro Righetti 2 vols. Mention might also be made of 4 vols. of "Artistic Homes," presented by George Ellwanger. We cannot of course expect that this class will receive any important additions until we have attained a greater number of years and a larger amount of resources.

The library committee has felt that these detailed statements would be more significant in indicating the character of their work than any desultory remarks of a general nature. These statements have been purposely restricted to the reference part of the library. Nothing has been said of the incidental work connected with the loan department, the purchases for which have been mainly restricted to a supply of the immediate and expressed wants of readers, and to the filling up, so far as possible, of the collected works of standard authors in science, history, and literature. We hope, however, that sufficient has been said to show that the library during the past five years has had a steady and healthy growth. We realize that we are only laying foundations, but we sincerely desire that these foundations shall be solid and enduring. We are working, it is true, for the present, but we are also working for the future. We are willing to forego the satisfaction of any temporary applause, provided we can feel assured that those who
come after us may enter into our labors. We have full faith that
the original purpose and continued devotion of him whom we look
upon as our patron, will be sufficient to erect an institution which
will be an abiding memorial to his philanthropy, and a perpetual
blessing to the community. We all know that the greatest benefits
to mankind are measured by their perpetuity, and that the most
lasting influence is that which is embodied in a beneficent institu-
tion. We trust that it may not be regarded as vain adulation when
we say, that, while we are glad to contribute our feeble efforts
towards building up such an institution, the supreme honor of this
work is due to him from whom the sinews of our strength are de-
rived. In collecting the data for the review which has been made
in this report we have received fresh stimulus, and have been led
to believe that this institution has already a firm foundation, and
that it only needs our hearty and continued co-operation to erect a
superstructure which will be at once an honor to our city and a
worthy monument to our benefactor.

In closing this report, we would acknowledge the gifts of the
past year, a list of which is appended to the report, and also to ex-
press our appreciation of the valuable assistance which we have
received from our acting librarian, A. S. Collins.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG.
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Alabama Agr. Exper. Station ........................................ 1
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Nevada State University ............................................ 1
Newberry Library .................................................... 1
New Hampshire Agr. Exp. Station ................................. 1
New Jersey Agr. Exp. Station ....................................... 2
New Jersey State Library ........................................... 1
N. Y. City Aqueduct Commissioners ............................... 2
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Lomb, Henry ................................................... Sanitarian.

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Post-Express Printing Co. ....................................... Post-Express.
Rochester Herald Co. ........................................... Morning Herald.
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1890.

RECEIPTS.
Cash on hand October 1, 1889 ........ $ 322 52
Received from M. F. Reynolds ........ 3,000 00
Fines, Books sold, Interest, &c ...... 103 34
Overdrawn ........................................ 23 59

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EXPENDITURES.
Salaries and Contingent expenses .... $1,761 65
Books .................................................. 951 93
Periodicals ........................................... 294 77
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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen: The library committee have the honor to present to you herewith their sixth annual report:

The growth of the library during the past year has in all respects exceeded its growth during any previous year of its history. The increased appropriation made at the last annual meeting has been utilized, not only in enlarging the number of volumes, but in improving the facilities required for their use. Notwithstanding the disadvantages under which we labor, due to the present location of the library rooms which makes them inconvenient of access to many persons, we think that the statistics for the past year will show that the library is in a condition of steady and healthy growth. While the library no doubt needs many things to render it all that it should be as an educational institution with facilities sufficient to meet the requirements of an intelligent community, we yet feel contented to adjust ourselves to our present circumstances and do the best we are able to render the institution a benefit to the city. We believe there is no lack of appreciation of its facilities on the part of those persons who may now be regarded as its patrons and who are accustomed to utilize its resources. On the contrary, it is a source of congratulation that those persons whose experience best enables them to form an intelligent judgment are often enthusiastic in their admiration of those particular features of the library upon which attention has been especially directed in its organization. And the record of the past year shows by its increase of attendance and circulation that this appreciation is constantly growing.

The number of volumes catalogued and shelved has increased since our last annual report from 20,283 to 22,231. If to this number be added 478 volumes of unfinished sets of periodicals, bound and unbound; 302 volumes of newspapers; and 587 volumes of duplicates—it will be seen that the library has now in its possession a total number of 23,598 volumes. Of the 1,948 volumes added to the shelves during the past year 1,430 were obtained by purchase and the rest by gifts and exchange. The circulating department received 769 of these additions, and the reference department 1,179. The dis-
tibution of books between these two departments at present is evident from the statement that the circulating department now contains 10,511 volumes, and the reference department 11,720. Of the latter department the class of bibliography contains 332 volumes; the reference works in the reading-room comprise 1,866 volumes; the periodicals 4,197 volumes; the society publications 660 volumes; and the public documents, state and national 4,644 volumes.

It may be said here that of the accessions during the year over one-fourth, or 580 volumes, have been added to the class of periodicals. The committee have always been desirous to make this branch of the library as complete as their means would permit. They would present two reasons in justification of this course. In the first place, the matter contained in the best literary and scientific journals of this country and England affords the best means of satisfying the largest class of intelligent readers who are accustomed to patronize such a library as ours. In the second place, the elaborate indices prepared by Mr. Poole and his coadjutors render this extensive literature available to the most ordinary readers. In addition to this, it may be said that this branch of the library is more extensively used by readers than any other, with the single exception of fiction. The committee wish to call the special attention of the Board to the department of English periodical literature now possessed by the library, and they consider themselves especially fortunate in their efforts to obtain complete and excellent sets of the best literary reviews published in our language. We cannot but hope that the public will avail itself to the fullest extent of this valuable body of literature now placed at its disposal. The difficulty of obtaining complete sets of these journals which sometimes extend over a period of a hundred years, or of obtaining a missing volume, is sufficient we believe to justify the policy of the committee in retaining them as a part of the reference department, and in restricting their use to the library-rooms.

The library committee have expended during the past year: for books $1,570; for periodicals $396; for binding $406; for printing $45; and for other purposes including library supplies $73—making a total of $2,490. It has often been said regarding the purchase of books that it is more difficult to spend a small sum judiciously than a large sum. With the comparatively limited resources at the disposal of the committee, they have tried to exercise as much wisdom as possible in the selection of books to be purchased. It is of course impossible
for us to buy all those books which might seem at first sight necessary to make our various classes even comparatively well supplied. An examination of the distribution of books among the various classes—as set forth in the librarian's report, will show that certain classes, like those of medical sciences, education, oriental history, and some others—are very meagrely supplied. This is because there has been very little call for books in those classes. The committee have adopted the policy, so far as the increase of books in the circulating department is concerned, of making their purchases conform as far as possible to the actual demands of readers. As the accessions must of necessity be comparatively small each year it seems the part of wisdom to purchase first those books which are first needed. While this method of growth may not be ideally the most perfect and symmetrical, it is still in many respects the most satisfactory and useful. As long as the library is located in its present quarters it is certainly a question whether it is wise to expend a large sum of money in the purchase of books which do not seem at present to be demanded by the reading public. If our books were secure from the possible danger of fire, this economical policy might not be as defensible as it is under our present circumstances. As we are now situated, it seems to the committee more discreet to keep our accessions as close to the public requirements as possible.

These statements are intended to apply especially to the ordinary and regular purchase of books for the circulating department. There are certain kinds of books, it is true, which must be purchased when they can be found, as is the case with sets of periodicals, society transactions, valuable works out of print, etc. It also seems desirable to keep the class of reference works well supplied, making it as far as possible a well-rounded and symmetrical epitome of human knowledge. In such cases the committee have felt justified in making purchases, even though a special and immediate demand was not expressed. They also feel disposed to collect as far as may be convenient the complete works of the standard literary, political and scientific authors, especially those whose names belong to English literature, which collections may afterwards be extended to the principal French and German authors. It may be said at this point that the library has come into possession of an almost complete set (88 volumes) of Bohn’s classical library, which comprises translations of the most important Latin and Greek authors.

With the exception of the kind of works just noticed, the com-
mittee feel that their present purchases should be restricted to meet the actual needs expressed by readers. At present the greatest demand outside of the reference department seems to be in the direction of literary and historical works, needed by members of literary and historical clubs scattered throughout the city; and also for works on science, theoretical and applied, especially upon the subjects of electricity and mechanical engineering. A complete set, so far as published, of the International Science Series (50 vols.) have been added to the library during the year. It is the purpose to add a considerable number to these classes of books during the coming year. There seems to be a growing interest manifested in works on technology and mechanical inventions; and it should be said that the library now contains all the publications of the U. S. Patent Office—except the Specifications, the expense of which we are sorry to say renders it impossible for us to purchase this valuable set of books at present. If it should be found that a sufficient number of persons were interested in these volumes to co-operate with the library in their purchase, it might be desirable for the Board to make a special appropriation for the benefit of such persons. But the committee do not feel justified with their present means to purchase these books, notwithstanding their great importance as works of reference for inventors, and the fact that their value is increasing year by year.

The use which has been made of the library and especially of the reference department since our last annual report is a source of much gratification and encouragement. The improvements made in the reading-room and the extension of the library hours, have evidently been appreciated, as is shown by the largely increased attendance. The average daily attendance has increased from 62 to 87 persons. The number of male readers for the year has increased from 14,859 to 19,444. The number of female readers has increased from 2,359 to 5,259. And the total number of persons availing themselves of the privilege of the reading-room for the year has increased from 17,218 to 24,703. Not only has the number of readers increased, but there is evident a marked improvement in the capacity shown by the readers to use intelligently those facilities by which the resources of the library are made available. The various catalogues, indices and reference lists are becoming less and less mysterious devices, upon which the librarian is supposed to while away his leisure hours; and they are coming more and more to be employed as the necessary and only available means by which readers can successfully pursue their several
lines of investigation. The gradual education of readers to the proper understanding of library methods and the employment of library facilities is not the least significant feature noticed in the use of the reading-room.

With regard to the circulating department it must be said that the committee still regard this as a subordinate branch of the library. However desirable it might be to encourage the circulation of the books for home use, it is evident that a large demand made upon the library by such readers would speedily increase the necessity of employing a larger library force to meet such a demand. We have hence regarded such loaning of books as ancillary to the main purpose of the library at present. Without making any special efforts to increase such circulation, it has however increased during the past year from about 12,000 to about 18,000 volumes, and nearly 1,000 new names have been added to the list of borrowers. If the committee felt called upon to pay any unusual attention to the encouragement and improvement of this part of the library, they would feel compelled to call the attention of the Board to the great and disproportionate amount of fiction which is drawn for home reading. This is not, it is true, peculiar to this library, but seems to be a feature common to the use of all public libraries. The committee do not share the opinion that the reading of standard works of fiction is necessarily an unhealthy occupation. It would be foolish to claim that Scott and Dickens and Thackeray and George Eliot and Miss Austen exercised a corrupting influence over the mind of the young. It would not, on the other hand, be foolish to claim that a more liberalizing effect would be produced upon the minds of readers if some attention were also paid to Macaulay and Green and Bancroft and Tennyson and Browning and Lowell. The proper method of directing the attention of readers to the various branches of literature and thus promoting a more liberal and symmetrical mental development is one which we may not now be called upon to solve. It is yet a question which must sooner or later demand a consideration.

The library has received during the year by gift 645 volumes and 1,105 pamphlets, a complete list of which is appended to this report. Special mention might here be made of the gift from the American Rural Home of 175 volumes and 300 pamphlets; from the Astor Library of its new catalogue, 4 volumes; from Hon. Chas. S. Baker of 12 volumes; from Drew, Allis & Co., of 28 volumes and a bundle of maps of Rochester; from Hon. H. S. Greenleaf of 78 volumes and 340
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pamphlets; from Miss W. B. Hill, 35 volumes; from Geo. P. Humphrey, 93 volumes; from Mrs. Jas. Laney, 5 volumes; from Hon. Donald McNaughton, 62 volumes; from Howard L. Osgood, 3 volumes and 14 pamphlets; from D. D. Sully, 21 volumes; from U. S. Government 69 volumes and 70 pamphlets; from E. B. Whitmore, 8 volumes; from Jacob Spahn, files of the Democrat and Chronicle, 1890-91; from George Ellwanger, portraits of Wm. A. Reynolds and Mortimer F. Reynolds; also from George Ellwanger, the magnificent work, entitled the Silva of North America, by Charles Sprague Sargent, now in process of publication. Acknowledgment is also due to the publishers of the Democrat and Chronicle, of the Morning Herald, of the Post Express, and of the Union and Advertiser for files of their newspapers during the year.

This report is supplemented by a number of appendices setting forth more in detail certain facts of interest in connection with the library. No. 1 contains a list of the 114 periodicals placed on file in the reading-room. No. 2 contains a list of society transactions and similar publications regularly received by the library, including (1) society publications (2) documents from libraries and educational institutions (3) U. S. special documents (4) reports of Agricultural Experiment Stations (5) other serial publications. No. 3 contains a list of periodicals needed to complete sets now in the library. No. 4 contains a list of the gifts presented to the library during the year. No. 5 contains statistics showing the use of the library during the year. No. 6 is a financial statement showing both the revenue and expenditures for the year.

In closing this report the committee feel that the Board will concur with them in re-expressing what they have often expressed before, our common sense of obligation to the founder of this institution for the philanthropic motives that led to the conception of this enterprise and for the continued and generous support by which this institution is coming gradually to assume a more tangible and available form. It may not be out of place as a reminder of our indebtedness, to sum up the extent of the benefactions of which we have already been made the recipients. The original gift of 10,000 or 12,000 volumes, should not be estimated at less than $8,000. The annual sums appropriated for the use of the library have been, for the first year $10,000, for each of the four succeeding years $3,000 and for the last year $4,000. In addition to this, account should be made of the rent of rooms and expense of heating, given to the
library, which should not probably be estimated at less than $1,000 a year. This makes a total amount of not less than $40,000, which has already been received for the benefit of the library. When we consider that this is but a beginning of the benefaction which is ultimately designed for the library, we should fail in our duty as depositaries of a beneficent trust did we not continue to entertain the sense of gratitude which is always due to those who are willing to devote their private fortunes to promote the happiness and well being of others. Confined in its present restricted quarters, where its real proportions cannot be readily appreciated, we can easily see why the public at large may not fully realize the value of the literary resources placed at its disposal. If this library, with its 23,000 volumes, with its large and valuable collection of reference works, exceeded by very few libraries in the whole country, were placed in an attractive and commodious building, easily accessible to all, we are confident that it would even in its present initial stage of growth, be a source of admiration and pride to the inhabitants of our beautiful city. Notwithstanding the generous patronage which has been bestowed upon it during the past year without the use of any sensational devices to attract the public attention, we feel that it could be made the means of still greater benefit could the people of our city be made to realize the great advantages which may be derived from the liberal use of a public library.

In conclusion, the committee desire to make special mention to the Board of the earnest and faithful services rendered by our librarian, Mr. A. S. Collins.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG.
APPENDIX NO. 1.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE READING-ROOM, 1890-91.

Academy,
Agricultural Experiment Stations, reports,
Album des Modes,
American antiquarian,
American architect,
American Economic Association, publications,
American garden,
American journal of science,
Annals of the American Academy of Social and Political Science,
Arena,
Argonaut,
Athenæum,
Atlantic,
Bazar dressmaker,
Bibliographie de la France,
Bibliotheca sacra,
Blackwood,
Campus,
Catholic champion,
Century,
Commercial and financial chronicle,
Contemporary,
Cook's excursionist,
Co-operative index to periodicals,
Cosmopolitan,
Critic,
Democrat and Chronicle,
Deutsche Rundschau,
Economist,
Edinburgh review,
Engineering,
English historical review,
English illustrated magazine,
Fortnightly,
Forum,
Free Russia,
Garden,
Gardener's chronicle,
Gardener's magazine,
Harper's bazar,
Harper's monthly magazine,
Harper's weekly,
Harper's young people,
Home-maker,
Illustrated American,
Illustrated London news,
Illustration,
Illustrirte Zeitung,
Jennings-Miller magazine,
Jewelers weekly,
Johns Hopkins University studies,
Journal des Couturières,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Journal of the Royal Microscopical Society,
Jury,
Ladies home journal,
Library journal,
Literary news,
Littell's living age,
London quarterly review,
London times, weekly edition,
Magazine of American history,
Magazine of art,
Mind,
Mode de Paris,
Nation,
Nature,
New England historical and genealogical register,
New Englander,
New review,
Nineteenth century,
North American,
Notes and queries,
Official gazette of the United States Patent Office,
Outing,
Paradise of the Pacific,
Political science quarterly,
Popular science monthly,
Post-Express,
APPENDIX NO. 2.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1) Society Publications.
American Association for the Advancement of Science,
American Economic Association,
American Academy of Political and Social Science,
British Association for the Advancement of Science,
Buffalo Historical Society, reports,
Cobden Club publications,
Kansas State Historical Society,
Rochester Academy of Science,
Royal Geographical Society of London, proceedings,
Royal microscopical Society, journal,

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions.
Amherst College,
Apprentices Library,
Astor Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Brooklyn Library,
Chicago Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library,
Harvard College,
Lawrence Public Library,
Milwaukee Public Library,
Newberry Library,
New York Free Circulating Library,
Pratt Institute,
Providence Athenæum,
Providence Public Library,
Salem Public Library,
San Francisco Public Library,
Toledo Public Library,
University of California,
University of Rochester,
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(3) U. S. Government.
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PERIODICALS WANTED TO COMPLETE SETS.
(Vols. according to Poole.)

Almanach de Gotha, all previous to 1876.
American almanac, 1862 to 1877.
American annual register, vols. 5, 7.
American church review, all previous to vol. 33.
American quarterly review, all after vol. 14.
American whig review, vols. 5, 6, 8, 9.
Analectic magazine, vols. 9-12.
Annual register, 1840-1886.
Appleton's journal, all after vol. 16.
Argus almanac, all previous to 1888.
Art journal, all after 1870.
Athenæum, all previous to 1886.
Bankers' almanac, vols. 2-4, 7-8, 10, 14-16, 35, 37 and subsequent vols.
Biblical repository, vols. 6-10, and all after vol. 22.
Bibliotheca sacra, vols. 32-42.
Blackwood's magazine, vols. 51, 54, 62, 123.
British almanac, all after vol. 58.
Christian observer, vols. 4-10, 21, 23, 25 and subsequent vols.
Cornhill magazine, vols. 57-63.
Critic, vols. 1-4.
Democrat and Chronicle, vols. 1, 5, 6, 26, 29-31, 45-55.
Democratic review, vols. 22-24, 30 and subsequent vols.
Horticulturist, vols. 3, 4, 6, 10, 31 and subsequent vols.
Knickerbocker magazine, vols. 1-5, 21, 27, 29-32, 37.
Littell's living age, vol. 15.
Macmillans magazine, vols. 60-63.
Nation, vols. 1-3, 5.
New York review, vol. 9 and subsequent volumes.
Poor's manual of railroads, vols. 1, 2, 7, 23, 24.
Post-Express, vols. 1-6.
Revue des deux Mondes, all previous to vol. 73, 3d series.
Scientific American, 1st series, vols. 1, 2, 4.
Spectator, all previous to vol. 59.
Union and advertiser, vols. 1, 2, 3, 8-12, 16-21, 27-36, 41, 42, 52-62.
Vick's monthly magazine, vols. 1, 12, 13.

**SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS, ETC.**

American Institute of N. Y., vols. 1, 2, 4, 10, 11, 16, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30.
N. Y. Historical Society collections, vols. 5, 6, 8-10, 17, 23, 25, and subsequent vols.
N. Y. State Agricultural Society, vols. 12, 16, 17, 29, 30, 33, 35.
N. Y. State Bar Association, vols. 1-6, 8-10.
Western New York Horticultural Society, vols. 1-16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 27, 33, 34.

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REYNOLDS LIBRARY

VOLS. | PAM.
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Worcester (Mass.) Free Public Library | 1
Yale University Library | 2

Total | 645 | 1,105

Ellwanger, George | Portraits of M. F. Reynolds and W. A. Reynolds.
Spahn, Jacob | Files of the Democrat and Chronicle, 1890-91.

THE FOLLOWING CURRENT PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS.

Agricultural Experiment Stations reports, from | U. S. Gov’t.
American garden, from | Geo. Ellwanger.
Campus, from | J. B. Warren.
Catholic champion, from | Publishers.
Cook’s excursionist, from | Publishers.
Democrat and Chronicle, from | Publishers.
Free Russia, from | Publishers.
Garden, from | Geo. Ellwanger.
Gardener’s chronicle, from | Geo. Ellwanger.
Gardener’s magazine, from | Geo. Ellwanger.
Jewelers weekly, from | Publishers.
Jury, from | Publishers.
London times weekly edition, from | C. B. Loomis.
New Englander, from | Daniel B. Beach.
New Jerusalem magazine, from | Publishers.
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from | U. S. Gov’t.
Paradise of the Pacific, from | Publishers.
Post-Express, from | Publishers.
Pythian knight, from | Publishers.
Rochester Morning Herald, from | Publishers.
Sanitarian, from | Henry Lomb.
Travelers record, from | Publishers.
Union and Advertiser, from | Publishers.
United States Consular reports, from | U. S. Gov’t.
Voice, from | Publishers.
Weekly crop bulletin, from | U. S. Government.
### APPENDIX No. 5.

**STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.**

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Whole no. of readers, 24,703.
Whole no. books drawn, 23,021.

* Library closed during August.
APPENDIX NO. 6.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

For the year ending September 30th, 1891.

RECEIPTS.

Received from M. F. Reynolds $4,000.00
Interest 34.20
Fines, Books sold, etc. 83.55
Overdrawn 30.73

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries 1,240.00
Contingent expenses 393.90
Books 1,570.01
Periodicals 396.17
Binding 406.42
Printing 45.13
Freight and express 28.73
Postage 7.86
Library supplies 23.92
Sundries 12.75
Deficit Oct. 1, 1890 23.59

$4,148.48
SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE REYNOLDS LIBRARY

ROCHESTER, N. Y.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1892.

TOGETHER WITH MEMORIAL NOTICES OF ITS FOUNDER

MORTIMER FABRICIUS REYNOLDS.

1892

POST-EXPRESS PRINTING COMPANY
ROCHESTER, N. Y.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Josiah Anstice, Theodore Bacon, George Ellwanger, Daniel T. Hunt, Max Landsberg, Samuel A. Lattimore,

Donald McNaughton, Edward M. Moore, William C. Morey, Howard Osgood, Gilman H. Perkins, Samuel Sloan,

Fred. A. Whittlesey.

OFFICERS FOR 1892–1893.

President:
Edward Mott Moore.

First Vice-Pres.: Second Vice-Pres.:
George Ellwanger.

Secretary and Treasurer:
Josiah Anstice.

Standing Committees:
Executive:
Theodore Bacon, Samuel A. Lattimore,

Howard Osgood, Daniel T. Hunt.

Library:
William C. Morey, Fred. A. Whittlesey, Max Landsberg.

Finance:
Gilman H. Perkins, Donald McNaughton.

Librarian:
Alfred S. Collins.
MORTIMER FABRICIUS REYNOLDS.

THE death of the Founder of the Reynolds Library occurred on the 13th of June, 1892. His last Will and Testament, executed February 22, 1884, contains the following provision:

"First: I give, devise and bequeath to the Reynolds Library, a corporation created by an act of the Legislature of New York, passed February 2, 1884, being Chapter 9 of the Laws of 1884,

"All the property known as the Arcade and the East Arcade in the city of Rochester.

"Also my homestead, No. 40 Spring street in Rochester, with all the land and buildings. And this devise of the homestead property is on condition that the same shall always be occupied by said corporation for its library and any other of the educational purposes contemplated by the said act; and in case it shall cease to be so occupied for the period of one year, the estate hereby devised shall cease and determine.

"The foregoing devise and bequest are intended as a memorial of my father, Abelard Reynolds; of my brother, William Abelard Reynolds, and of myself."

The property thus devised is of a value estimated at from $600,000 to $700,000. Besides this, the testator had during his life-time provided all the means of organizing and maintaining the library, amounting to between $40,000 and $50,000, and had given it also the ample and convenient quarters which it still occupies in the "East Arcade."
THE REYNOLDS LIBRARY.

The relation which Mr. Reynolds sustained to the city of Rochester, and the steps which led to the founding of the Reynolds Library, will be apparent from the following biographical sketch, reprinted from Peck's "Semi-Centennial History of the City of Rochester," published in 1888:

"On the 2d of December, 1814, there was born, in the narrow 'clearing' that skirted the ford of the Genesee River, the first child of white parents to see the light upon that 'Hundred-Acre Tract' which was the primitive site of the present city of Rochester. Perhaps in no manner could the amazing development of that infant community be brought home so effectively to the apprehension of a denizen of the old world, as by the statement of the concrete fact that the earliest offspring of that colony, having seen in twenty years its incorporation as a city, finds himself now, while still in splendid vigor, surrounded by a population of more than a hundred thousand souls. The emphasis of this fact might, however, be heightened by the further circumstance that his mother also survives to see the wilderness rejoicing and blossoming as the rose.

"Of individuals it may be said, as it has been of nations, that that one is happy who has no history. An uneventful, orderly and peaceful life has been this one, coeval hitherto with that of the community in which it began. A struggling infancy, subject to all the hardships and limitations of a raw and poor society, was followed by a maturity of hard and successful labor, and that in turn by intelligent and not indolent repose in the enjoyment of the accumulations of a life-time. The story of Abelard Reynolds has already been told in these pages. That he, of whom we speak, was the son of Abelard and the younger brother of William is that which, more than anything else in his life, would seem to him worthy of record.

"Mortimer Fabricius Reynolds was the name given, for family reasons, to the first-born of this backwoods settlement. To say that the young child's boyhood was diligently trained
at home and in such schools as were accessible, would only be
to reiterate the averment of the Puritan New England origin
of his parents. Beyond this not much could be added, but
that for thirty years of mature life the man engaged in active
commerce in his native city. Withdrawing in 1872, with a
competency, from the business in which he had acquired it,
he devoted himself thenceforth to the assistance of his
venerable father in the management of the large estate left by
his elder brother, and which not long afterward devolved
almost entirely upon him. But during all this time the
interests of the city which had grown up with him engaged
his constant observation and his active aid. In many corpo-
rate and charitable trusts, in the promotion of public im-
provements, and in the exercise of that private virtue which
bears the name of ‘public spirit,’ the time and the means of
Mr. Reynolds have been liberally expended. But it is with a
foundation but just now laid, upon which is to rise in the
future an institution more beneficent, perhaps, than all others
established here by private liberality, that he has chosen to
link his name and that of his family.

"The large estate which had grown out of the purchase of
village lots by Abelard Reynolds in 1812 had descended to his
son, the sole survivor of the father’s six children; the sole
descendant, himself childless, who bore the family name of
which he was justly proud. Before him father and elder
brother had, from the beginning, interested themselves pro-
foundly in the intellectual and moral advancement of the
community in which they lived. The subject of this sketch
determined, therefore, to establish with that estate an enduring
memorial of his family, which should also be a perpetual
benefaction to the city. In order, therefore, that there might
be a body competent, when the time shall come, to receive and
administer such a trust, the legislature of 1882 was applied to
for a suitable charter.

"It is not agreeable to recall the criticism which met this
disclosure of Mr. Reynolds’s purpose, upon the publication of
the bill. This work is not devoted to disparagement of the
people of Rochester, or of any part of them. It is enough,
therefore, to say that the bill, as signed by the governor, was such in its terms as to be unanimously rejected by those named in it as trustees. In 1884, however, there was passed 'An Act to incorporate the Reynolds Library,' which is chapter 9 of the laws of that year. It declared the purposes of the corporation which it created to be 'to establish and maintain a public library and reading-room,' and 'to promote the mental improvement of the inhabitants of the city of Rochester by means of lectures, discussions, courses of instruction, collections of objects of art and science, and other suitable means.'

"To this body Mr. Reynolds at once turned over a collection of some 12,000 volumes, which, at his own cost, he had some years before rescued from the wreck of the old 'Athenæum' which his father and brother had so liberally and efficiently sustained, as a nucleus for the far greater collection which must grow up around it. And it is publicly announced that he has made such disposition that, at his death, the splendid estate known as the 'Arcade' and the 'East Arcade,' together with his superb homestead and its adjoining grounds on Spring street, will pass to the Reynolds Library for its perpetual endowment.

"Thus, as it was said of another, that Providence denied him children that a nation might call him father, it might, with slight change, be written of the first-born child of the new city. And when the stately figure of the last surviving child of the pioneer Abelard Reynolds shall be no more seen upon the streets of Rochester, a grateful city will perpetuate the memory of the extinct race."

After the death of its Founder, the Trustees of the Library adopted, and directed to be entered upon the records of the Board and to be printed with the Annual Report, the following
MORTIMER FABRICIUS REYNOLDS.

Memorial.

The Trustees of the Reynolds Library, mindful that the event has arrived in contemplation of which this body was called into existence, desire to place upon permanent record this memorial of its founder.

A man of simplicity and strength, faithful in the discharge of every duty which came to him and rigorous in exacting from others a like fidelity, yet often generous in indulgence toward any for whom the performance of an obligation had come to be a hardship, was MORTIMER FABRICIUS REYNOLDS. His long life, beginning almost with the birth of the little hamlet in the wilderness, has ended with the most splendid benefaction with which this city has ever been endowed.

Conspicuous though he was in this community, and known more or less completely to a great circle of acquaintances, there were, nevertheless, qualities in his character with which the members of this Board have from the time of its foundation, and some of them from the time of its first conception in his mind, been especially impressed. They know him to have had a tender and affectionate nature, upon which, in his advancing years, his childlessness and the consciousness that with him the name was to be extinct of which, as borne by his parents and his brother, he had been justly proud, had come to weigh with a painful gravity. That name, which for fourscore years had been honorably linked with that of his native city, he long ago conceived the thought of perpetuating in like relation through some institution of permanent advantage to the town. From what causes that purpose came first to assume the form which has resulted in the foundation of this Library, it is not easy for
any one now to assert, but its constant and intelligent growth has been under the observation of members of this Board from its beginning, and of some of them for a period longer by several years. Once formed, it was a purpose, as became his character, not light or passionate, but grave and calm, and not easily turned.

For there were circumstances attending the earliest announcement of the founder's plan which might well have turned from it a less stable mind. The man of whom this memorial speaks was widely known, indeed, but more widely than well known. Beginning his life in a simple and primitive community, which, with the narrowest means, was laboring under the task of making a wilderness to blossom, he was trained to habits of close exactitude, which became so fixed in his steadfast nature that justice was seldom done, by those who partly knew him, to the ample generosity which accompanied his severer traits, but which was never advertised to the world. It was not, therefore, unnatural perhaps, but it was hardly the less painful and discouraging to him, that the announcement of the purpose, which has but just now received its final fulfillment, was met with doubt and criticism such as perhaps a like intention had never elsewhere encountered. It was in consequence of such criticism that a charter, asked from the legislature in the year 1882, received such modification before it became a law that the persons named in it as trustees of the library unanimously declined, by a solemn notarial act, filed with the secretary of this commonwealth, to accept the conditions which it expressed. This Board deems it just to his memory to declare how slight were the expressions of his natural pain at what might have seemed to him an ungrateful return, and how resolutely he pursued the purpose which he had once strongly conceived.
MORTIMER FABRICIUS REYNOLDS.

Nor is it less a duty to testify to the relation which from the beginning the Founder of this institution chose to establish between himself and those whom he had associated with him in this Board. A man of such general intelligence as would have made him appear with dignity in any society, however distinguished, his knowledge of great libraries, of what they are, of how they are to be made, established and managed, was not more than that of intelligent men in general, and this, as the members of this Board have come to know, is hardly knowledge at all. If there are men, however, in whom the absence of special knowledge leaves a greater scope for ignorant prejudice, the Founder of this institution was not such a man. Having made, with much deliberation and upon various grounds of choice, the selection of those to whom he would entrust the important function of establishing and organizing a great library, he deemed his control, except so far as during his life-time he should be the sole contributor of its funds, to have ceased. The members of this Board have witnessed with interest, and an admiration which it is not too much to call affectionate, his growing appreciation, both of the beneficence of the work which he had planned and of his own personal inadequacy to direct it. No member of this Board came more readily or more frankly to accept as true certain propositions utterly strange to men in general, yet admitted now as fundamental in the growing science of library establishment and management. For those who look upon a library as simply a collection of books, it is difficult to accept, without resistance, the proposition that whatever the income of such an institution, one-half of it, whether great or small, must go to the vast labor of its administration, without which the investment in books must be of but little utility. To one whose gifts were to be thus so largely diverted from
what must at first have seemed to him to be their only legitimate application, the lesson might have seemed especially hard to learn. Yet in this, and in every other question which presented itself in the meetings of this Board, nothing could have been more admirable than his modest deference to what he deemed the better judgment of those whose relations to books and to libraries had been closer than his own. Nor could his growing appreciation of the magnitude, the difficulty and the beneficence of the work which he had begun and founded be better shown than by that which more than once he has said to members of this Board, that at first it had seemed to him the great endowment he had provided was almost in excess of the needs of such an institution, but now he had come to see that, great as it was, it was not half enough.

It is, therefore, not simply in the perfunctory discharge of a formal duty, but with a positive sense of personal gratitude and of public obligation, that this Board, remembering the memorial words of his last will and testament, does hereby

RESOLVE: That upon every structure to be hereafter erected by this corporation, whether for the use of its library, or for any of the other purposes of its incorporation, or for the improvement and the greater productiveness of its estate, there shall be placed, in grateful recollection of a great act and of a generous Founder, and for the encouragement in coming years of a civic spirit and a right sense of the obligations of wealth, conspicuous and perpetual memorials of his father, Abelard Reynolds, of his brother, William Abelard Reynolds, and of himself.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen: Since our last annual meeting we have been called upon to mourn the loss of him whose generosity led to the founding of this institution. The library committee feel that they can add nothing to the appreciative and discriminating words contained in the Memorial, which has already been presented to you by the special committee appointed for that purpose. The death of Mortimer F. Reynolds adds another name to that list of eminent citizens who formerly held a place in this board, and whose presence we shall forever miss in our deliberations. There is perhaps no other corporation in our city which within the same length of time has been called upon in sorrow to strike from its list such a collection of names as those of Martin B. Anderson, George E. Mumford, William C. Rowley, Hiram Sibley, Don Alonzo Watson and Mortimer F. Reynolds. By the loss of these most distinguished members of our board there is bequeathed to us an increased responsibility to execute with fidelity the trust which we have assumed.

It may not be unwise for us at the beginning of what will no doubt be a new phase in the history of this library to keep clearly before us the purpose which Mr. Reynolds had in view in founding this institution. His plan, while it may have been indefinite and perhaps vague as to its methods and accessories, was very definite and clear as to its spirit and purpose. His purpose was a broad and beneficent one. He had no sympathy with the idea that his library should be a useless depository of books, or a place in which to indulge in literary gluttony or desultory amusement. Above all things he desired it to be an instrument of public education and mental improve-
ment. He often expressed the hope that it might at some time be broad enough to include within its scope, for example, some means for scientific and technical education—whether by the establishment of schools or courses of lectures—and thus acquire something of the character of an "institute." He wished it might be a kind of seat of learning where every earnest inquirer after truth might find the means to satisfy his intellectual ambition. He had no desire that it should encroach upon any existing institution within the city, but should fill a place not already occupied. He appreciated that conception of a library by which it is looked upon not as an instrument to pander to a fickle or depraved taste, but as a great corporate agency which by its exceptional resources can furnish to the community the best results of human thought and those treasures of literature and science which are often beyond the reach of the individual purse. In short, he wished that the fortune which had been accumulated and maintained by strict methods of frugality should not be squandered, but should be wisely invested for the promotion of a permanent good.

The library committee have thought it not improper to submit to you at this time their conception of the general policy which should be pursued in carrying out the high and broad purpose conceived by Mr. Reynolds. The intellectual interests of a community such as that in which we live are many and various, and each of these many and varied interests should receive a proper consideration. To restrict the work of a general library to the benefit of any particular class of persons would be an evidence of narrowness inexcusable and deserving of condemnation. It would, on the other hand, be imprudent to make special provision for those persons and interests that are already provided for. We believe that the Reynolds Library should be made to fill a place not already occupied, and also to supplement and aid by its larger resources those institutions and classes of persons for which only imperfect facilities can elsewhere be provided. We may therefore consider the different relations which the library
may sustain to different institutions and classes of the community.

1. Its relation to the other libraries of the city.—There are at present in the city no less than ten or twelve libraries having more or less a public character.

Some of these are, of course, small and confined to a limited number of readers and may not be considered in taking account of the general interests of the city. But of them there are at least six—namely; the libraries of the University of Rochester, of the Rochester Theological Seminary, of the Court of Appeals, of the Rochester Historical Society, of the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Central Library—which have a distinct character and are significant in contributing to the intellectual needs of the community. It seems, therefore, the part of wisdom and economy that the several libraries should sustain an intelligible relation to each other, that they should not work at cross purposes, and that they should not all indulge in expenditures which could be more economically distributed among them. This statement does not intend to ignore the fact that there is a large branch of literature which may be said to form a common staple of nearly every library. There are certain books which no library can well afford to be without. But so far as any library has a special and distinct field of its own, it is well to give it the privilege and duty of occupying that field. This is especially true and almost necessary, speaking from an economical point of view, in the purchase of exceedingly valuable books in special departments. It would seem a prodigal waste of funds for such expensive works as Kingsborough's "Mexican Antiquities" or the "Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum" possessed by the University library, or the "Corpus Juris Canonici," and other valuable works possessed by the Theological Seminary, or the complete set of Cobbett and Hansard's "Parliamentary Debates" in possession of the Law Library, or the rare books on local history possessed by the Historical Society, to be purchased by every library in the city. The fact that such works are consulted only occasionally renders
it unnecessary that there be more than a single copy in such a city as ours. This law of economy should be as applicable to independent libraries in a city as though they were all under the same corporate management. This is also true where different libraries, especially in a small city, are devoted to the supply of special wants. One may be devoted to the cause of scholastic education, another to the collection of local history, and still another to the supply of books for the young. But while there may be certain libraries devoted to the supply of special needs, there still remain to be placed at the service of the reading public the great body of the world's standard literature in all languages and in all the branches of human knowledge; and also those works for which no other provision has been made and which should be accessible to the general public or which may be of such importance as to render duplication necessary; and moreover those special works in departments not comprised within the purpose of existing libraries.

This, it seems to your committee, is one of the great features which should form a part of our general policy—to supplement as far as possible, and to duplicate only as far as necessary, the work of the libraries already existing in our city.

2. Its relation to the Mechanics Institute and similar institutions.—The enterprise which has resulted in the establishment and the success which has attended the operation of this institute have been fully appreciated by everyone who is interested in popular education. The wide opportunities which have thus been opened for the mental improvement of those who are largely engaged in mechanical employments are of the highest importance, not only to those who have taken advantage of these opportunities, but also to the industrial well-being of the entire community. The requirements, especially those of a literary character, of such an institution which depends largely for its support upon public subscriptions cannot always be met by the funds thus raised. The public benefit derived from such an institution, it seems to us, renders it a proper subject for our assistance, so far as that assistance comes within the scope of our powers. The public library of Worcester, Mass., has assumed a kind of literary
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patronage over the school of technology located in that city, and many of its purchases are made for the benefit of that school. It seems to us that, if agreeable to all concerned, the Reynolds Library might consistently offer similar aid to the Mechanics Institute of this city. The ultimate proximity of these two institutions would render such a friendly alliance convenient, and we believe that no better disposition could be made of a part of our income than in the purchase of such books as will further the cause of industrial education.

3. Its relation to University Extension.—In many respects the educational movement begun under this name is peculiarly related to the legitimate work of a general library. Although it was started in England under the supervision of the universities and was intended to bring the university proper into relation with the provincial towns, it has assumed in this country the form of an educational movement in favor of the masses of the people. The libraries of the United States were the first to become interested in this mode of disseminating knowledge. It was believed that every library of fair income could do something in this direction. The first successful course of extension lectures in this country was, we believe, delivered under the auspices of the Buffalo Library. Other libraries soon followed and have performed admirable work of this character. For example, the Minneapolis Library has furnished to that city courses of lectures upon English history, international law, the history of the nineteenth century, and the economic significance of railroad transportation. The somewhat fragmentary and disorganized results which naturally attend such a movement when left solely to independent institutions have been met in this state by the interest which has been shown by the Board of Regents, and the supervisory control which that body has assumed over the movement. The thorough system and efficient management shown by that body render it perhaps unnecessary for any library to assume an independent management of such work. But there is still left a large amount of valuable assistance which can be rendered by local libraries to extension courses. A lecture course, when once established, immediately creates a
large demand for books. The "travelling libraries" set in motion by the Regents have done much to supply this need. But much more might be done if some local library would lend its generous support and aid to the movement, and we believe that such assistance should form a part of our general policy, and we recommend that a liberal expenditure of our funds be made for the encouragement of the university extension movement.

4. Its relation to literary clubs and societies.—There are perhaps very few cities of equal size in our country which possess so many independent clubs and associations organized for the purposes of literary recreation and mental improvement as our own. In these clubs special topics are usually assigned for investigation and discussion, and the voluntary and co-operative method which characterizes this kind of study renders it of great value for the acquiring of knowledge and discipline. These clubs have usually no libraries of their own and are often hampered in their efforts to obtain the needed information. We believe that these literary associations should be encouraged by granting to them upon their application special aid in the way of books, maps and other auxiliaries needed to carry on their work, and also, when the library building can afford such facilities, the use of rooms for meeting when such use is desired.

5. Its relation to religious denominations.—While a general library cannot be the propagandist of any religion or sect, it would be narrow and illiberal did it refuse space on its shelves for the standard literature of every religion and every sect. The great mass of people have often very little acquaintance with, or access to, the best religious literature, even of their own denomination. The opportunity for such acquaintance is often very slight. The churches themselves do not usually possess libraries. Their own history is often a book sealed, because beyond the reach of the ordinary member. If religion is worthy the attention of intelligent persons, the literature of religion should have some provision made for it in an intelligent community; and there is no center which can afford the same facility for the collection of standard
works in religious literature as that which the general library affords. While the library is not a religious institution, it should not be an irreligious institution. Did not the best religious works of all times and nations form a part of the standard literature of the world, then religion might not claim a place on the shelves of a public library. But because it possesses such a character, it is entitled to such a place. But the selection of such books should be absolutely devoid of all denominational bias or sectarian censorship. The general library should be a place where every denomination can find its own best books selected by its own representative men; where can be found the maturest thoughts of the world’s great thinkers upon religious and theological questions; where the works of the Jew and the Gentile, the Pagan and the Christian, the Catholic and the Protestant, the orthodox and the heretic, may stand in fraternal proximity.

6. Its relation to the professional classes.—It is hardly necessary to say that there is no body of persons upon whom the intellectual condition of any community so greatly depends as upon its professional classes. To its clergymen, its lawyers, physicians, journalists, teachers, architects, civil engineers, inventors, artists, it is largely indebted for its intellectual life and progress. But each one of these different classes sustains a relation to literature which is, for the most part, peculiar and distinctive. Each requires its own books, which are largely technical and restricted to its own professional ends. It becomes a somewhat difficult problem to determine how far a general library can furnish literary aid to professional men without departing from a policy which should be non-exclusive. It is true that many professional men have their own private libraries, which may be sufficient for all their needs. It is also true that some professions, as is the case with the legal profession of this city, seem to be amply provided for in the way of professional libraries. But there are other professions for which no such ample provisions exist. It then becomes a serious question whether the benefit which the community receives from the labors of its professional men does not render it advisable for the library
to place at their disposal the literary aids which are necessary to prosecute successfully their work, and for which no other provision can well be made. Where a profession is organized into an association it is possible for the library to co-operate with such an association by furnishing to it a literary center, where the valuable books of reference needed by the profession may be found. Such a collection of books, though belonging to the library and accessible to all persons wishing to consult them, would be chiefly useful to the members of the profession. This plan of co-operation may be illustrated by the method adopted by the Minneapolis Library, which unites with the medical association of that city in forming a medical department of the library. The medical association raises a certain amount of money to which the library adds an equal sum. This money is used for the purchase of books which are selected by the profession and which become the property of the library. The profession and the library are thus both benefited by this plan of co-operation. When any profession is organized and is sufficiently interested in the purchase of books of common utility to the whole profession to contribute toward their purchase, it seems practicable to adopt such a plan of co-operation, which will be a benefit to the profession and yet not intrude upon the non-exclusive policy of the library. This plan of rendering literary aid to professional men is submitted by the committee for your consideration. It is believed that the plan is feasible, since it does not involve exclusiveness in the use of such books as are thus purchased for the benefit of any body of professional men.

7. *Its relation to special investigators.*—There are, moreover, certain individuals who are engaged in the special work of investigation and who are worthy of the assistance which a library can bestow. To these special students in science and literature, society is largely indebted. The works which such a student is obliged to use are often rare and expensive. Their value consists largely in their being thus utilized by the special investigator, who draws from them the materials which might otherwise be lost. We believe that the resources of the library should in part be employed in the
encouragement of such original investigations and in furnishing to such students, so far as practicable, the literary aids which they require.

8. Its relation to general readers.—In our enumeration we have made no mention of that unclassifiable person who is often referred to as the "general reader"—the person who wants to read, but hardly knows what—who is profoundly impressed with the dignity of literature as a whole but has no familiarity with any of its branches—who has a sort of attraction towards books but a sort of aversion to anything like continuity of thought—who has, in short, a literary taste but no literary bent. Persons of this character are by no means to be despised. They form a large part of every intelligent community and should in some way be provided for. Of these persons, it is true some are self-sufficient and are often disposed to chafe under advice. For such persons very little can be done except to let them alone, and allow them to browse as their fancy may direct. But a large majority of these persons are willing to receive counsel and are ready to be directed in their reading. Upon such persons the library can confer a great benefit. When a person can be induced to read in succession two works which have some intelligible relation to each other, he has taken the first step toward the rational use of books. He may then be led to understand that reading may be done with a purpose and he may become a fit subject for that kind of training which a library, well appointed and well administered, may furnish. Systematic methods should therefore be adopted to direct the thought of such persons as might otherwise never be lifted above the condition of desultory readers. Some libraries have a special officer whose sole duty is to guide the young—and the old who are still young in their methods—as to the selection of books. In addition to this, systematic courses of reading on the current topics of the day are often posted on the library bulletin, which may attract the eye of the wayfaring reader and lead him into definite paths of thought and investigation. Such introductory courses of reading may be supplemented by more carefully prepared "reference lists" upon a variety of subjects,
which may be published for the benefit of all those who patronize the library. Examples of this valuable kind of assistance may be seen in the "Reference Lists" published by Mr. Foster, of Providence, and the "History Topics," published by Professor W F. Allen, of Madison, Wis. By these various methods and others which might be suggested, the desultory reader may be taught the systematic use of books and become transformed into an earnest student, either of literature, or of history, or of science. We believe that the administrative work of the library should be so organized as to provide means of counsel and direction to this large class of general readers who might not otherwise reap the full benefit to be derived from the literary resources placed at their service.

In taking these serious views of the functions of a library like ours, which has avowedly been established as a means of public improvement, the committee do not overlook the fact that books also constitute a healthful means for mental diversion and recreation. They therefore believe that pains should be taken to make the library attractive to all those who desire to find in literature a refuge from care and a means of healthful enjoyment.

This cursory review of the beneficial relations which the library may sustain to various institutions and classes of the community is not presumed to be exhaustive. But it is sufficient to indicate the general features of a policy which is broad and beneficent. It involves both economy and generosity in the use of funds. It involves economy, because it would not favor the useless expenditure of money to do what has already been done, or can be better done, by existing institutions. It involves generosity, because it would favor the free use of the resources of the library to benefit those classes of persons who would otherwise be left without literary aid. But the carrying out of such a policy would require two things: (1) A wide and sympathetic consideration of the intellectual needs of the community; and (2) Such efficiency in the administrative force of the library as would make the supply of these needs prompt and satisfactory.
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While the committee have tried thus to mark out the features of a broad and generous policy, they do not believe that the scope of the library should be very much enlarged while the library is restricted to its present quarters. Circumstances, too evident to need mention, seem to make it advisable to limit our expenditure to the actual demands made upon the library, until the library has found a more commodious and secure abiding place.

The growth of the library during the past year has been, as far as practicable, determined by the needs of those who have seen fit to use it. The policy of the committee has not deviated from that described in their previous annual reports. Efforts have been made to meet the special wants of readers so far as those wants have been made known. For example, in accordance with the desire of the Unity Club, the works recommended for its use have been collected together in the reading-room where they could be freely consulted by its members. Aid has also been given to the University Extension students by keeping in the reading-rooms the library sent by the Regents for their use, and also by the purchase of other books for their assistance; and the committee are willing and prepared to render similar aid to other clubs and reading societies whenever the special wants of such organizations are made known.

The present number of volumes in the library is 23,951, of which 13,027 belong to the reference department and 10,924 to the circulating department. The attendance in the reading room has increased from 24,703, reported last year, to 31,661. The total number of gifts for last year has been 1699 books, 649 pamphlets, besides about 12,000 numbers of unbound periodicals.

Special mention should perhaps be made of the following gifts: Received from Hon. Charles S. Baker, 405 vols.; from Creed & Wilson, 25 vols.; from Drew & Allis, 75 vols.; from W. J. Gordon, 117 vols., and 7000 numbers of unbound periodicals; from Hon. H. S. Greenleaf, 88 vols.; from George H. Harris, 11 vols.; from S. D. Lee, 25 vols.; from C. A.
Loomis, 104 vols.; from Hon. Donald McNaughton, 8 vols.; from Robert Mathews, 9 vols.; from A. Moses, 42 vols.; from L. F. Munger, 124 vols., and 4,000 numbers of periodicals; from New York State, 49 vols.; from Mrs. Maltby Strong, 304 vols.; from D. D. Sully, 69 vols.; from United States Government, 196 vols.; from William Livingston and Colonel S. D. Richardson, 52 numbers Utica Globe; from Genesee Valley club, 600 numbers of periodicals; from the publishers, files of the Post-Express, Democrat and Chronicle, Union and Advertiser, and Morning Herald.

William C. Morey,
Fred. A. Whittlesey,
Max Landsberg,

Library Committee.
APPENDIX No. 1.
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE READING ROOM.

Academy,
Agricultural Science,
Album des Modes,
American Architect,
American Garden,
American Journal of Science,
American Naturalist,
Arena,
Argonaut,
Athenæum,
Atlantic,
Bazar Dressmaker,
Bibliographie de la France,
Bibliotheca Sacra,
Blackwood,
Campus,
Catholic Champion,
Century,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Contemporary Review,
Cook's Excursionist,
Co-operative Index,
Cosmopolitan,
Critic,
Deutsche Rundschau,
Economist,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Fortnightly,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardener's Chronicle,
Gardener's Magazine,
Good Housekeeping,
Harper's Bazar,
Harper's Monthly,
Harper's Weekly,
Home-maker,
Illustrated American,
Illustrated London News,
Illustration,
Illustrierte Zeitung,
Invention,
Jenness-Miller Quarterly,
Jeweler's Weekly,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Journal Roy. Microscop. Society,
Jurj,
Ladies' Home Journal,
Library Journal,
Literary News,
Litteil's Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
London Times, weekly edition,
Macmillan's Magazine,
Magazine of American History,
Magazine of Art,
Mind,
Mode de Paris,
Music,
Mode Pratique,
Nation,
Nature,
New Eng. Hist. and Gen. Register,
New England Magazine,
New Jerusalem Magazine,
New Review,
Nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Official Gazette of Patent Office,
Outing,
Political Science Quarterly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Public Opinion,
Publishers Weekly,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Register of Current History,
Quarterly Review,
Queen,
Review of Reviews,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Saint Nicholas,
Sanitarian,
Satellite,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American, supplement,
Scientific American, Architect's and
Builder's Edition,
Scribner's Magazine,
Season,
Shoppell's Modern Houses,
Sidereal Messenger,
Spectator,
U. S. Govt. Publications,
Weekly Crop Bulletin,
Westermann's Monthly,
Western Electrician,
Westminster Review,
Wiener Mode-Zeitung.
APPENDIX No. 2.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1) **Society Publications.**
- American Association for the Advancement of Science.
- American Academy of Political and Social Science.
- British Association for the Advancement of Science.
- Buffalo Historical Society, reports.
- Kansas State Historical Society.
- Papers of the American Historical Association.
- Rochester Academy of Science.
- Royal Geographical Society of London, proceedings.
- Royal Microscopical Society Journal.

(2) **Libraries and Educational Institutions.**
- Amherst College,
- Apprentice's Library,
- Adirondack Library,
- Bridgeport Public Library.
- Brooklyn Library.
- Chicago Public Library.
- Cleveland Public Library.
- Cornell University.
- Detroit Public Library.
- Harvard University.
- Jersey City Free Public Library.
- Lawrence Public Library.
- Leland Stanford Junior University.
- Maimonides Library.
- Milwaukee Public Library.
- Minneapolis Public Library.
- Newberry Library.
- New York Free Circulating Library.
- Pratt Institute.
- Providence Athenaeum.
- Providence Public Library.
- St. Louis Mercantile Library.
- Salem Public Library.
- San Francisco Public Library.
- Toledo Public Library.
- University of California.
- University of Rochester.
- University of State of New York.
- Worcester Public Library.
- Yale University.

(3) **U. S. Government.**
- Board of Geographic Names.
- Bureau of American Republics.
- Bureau of Education.
- Bureau of Labor.
- Bureau of the Mint.
- Catalogue of Surgeon General's Library.
- Coast Survey.
- Commissioner of Agriculture.
- Commissioner of Navigation.
- Comptroller of Currency.
- Consular Reports.
- Interstate Commerce Commission.
- Secretary of Treasury.
- Smithsonian Reports.
- Smithsonian Contributions.
- Smithsonian Miscellaneous Publications.
- United States Geological Survey.
- War of the Rebellion, official record.

(4) **Agricultural Experiment Stations.**
- Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station.
- California.
- Connecticut.
- Cornell University.
- Delaware.
- Illinois.
- Iowa.
- Kansas.
- Kentucky.
- Maine.
- Massachusetts.
- Minnesota.
- New York.
- Ohio.
- Oregon.
- Pennsylvania.
- Rhode Island.
- Tennessee.
- Utah.
- Vermont.
- Wisconsin.

(5) **Other Serials.**

**ANNUALS.**
- Almanach de Gotha.
- Annual of the Universal Medical Sciences.
- Annual Register.
- Appleton's Annual Cyclopedia.
- Argus Almanac.
- Co-operative Index.
- Hazell's Annual.
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New York Civil List,  
New York Red Book,  
Rochester Directory,  
Statesman's Year Book,  
Tribune Almanac,  
Union and Advertiser's Year Book,  
Whitaker's Almanac,  
World Almanac.

| BIENNIALS.  
| McPherson's Political Handbook,  
| United States Blue Book.  

| FIVE YEARLY.  
| American Catalogue,  
| Hirtz's Bucher Catalogue,  
| Foole's Index to Periodicals.  

APPENDIX No. 3.

PERIODICALS WANTED TO COMPLETE SETS.  
(Vols. according to Poole.)

Almanach de Gotha, all previous to 1876,  
American Almanac, 1862 to 1877,  
American Annual Register, vols. 5, 7,  
American Architect, vols. 14, 15-18,  
American Church Review, all previous  
to vol. 33,  
American Quarterly Review, all after  
vols. 14,  
American Whig Review, vols. 5, 6, 8, 9,  
Analectic Magazine, vols. 9-12,  
Annual Register, 1840-42, 1862-86,  
Appleton's Journal, all after vol. 16,  
Argus Almanac, all previous to 1888,  
Art Journal, all after 1870,  
Athensium, all previous to 1886,  
Banker's Almanac, vols. 2-4, 7-8, 10, 14-16, 35, 37 and subsequent vols.,  
Biblical Repository, vols. 6-10, and all  
and after vol. 22,  
Bibliotheca Sacra, vols. 32-42,  
Blackwood's Magazine, vols. 51, 54, 62, 123,  
British Almanac, all after vol. 58,  
Christian Observer, vols. 4-10, 21, 23,  
25 and subsequent vols.,  
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,  
vols. 1-16, 24-28, 39-41,  
Cornhill Magazine, vols. 57-63,  
Critic, vols. 1-4,  
Democrat and Chronicle, vols. 1, 5, 6,  
26, 29-31, 45-55,  
Democratic Review, vols. 22-24, 30 and  
subsequent vols.,  
Horticulturist, vols. 3, 4, 6, 10, 31 and  
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Journal of Franklin Institute, vols. 4,  
9-12, 14-16, 23, 24, 34, 39-47, 60-71,  
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Knickerbocker Magazine, vols. 1-5, 21,  
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Macmillan's Magazine, vols. 60-63,  
Magazine of American History, vols. 1- 
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Missionary Herald, vols. 1-16, 22-23, 38  
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Nation, vols. 1-3, 5,  
New York Review, vol. 9 and subse-
quent vols.,  
North American Review, vols. 55-61,  
64-68, 131,  
Poor's Manual of Railroads, vols. 23, 24,  
Post-Express, vols. 1-6,  
Revue des Deux Mondes, all previous to  
vols. 73, 3d series,  
Scientific American, 1st series, vols. 1,  
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Scientific American, architect's edition,  
vols. 1-4,  
Spectator, all previous to vol. 59,  
Statesman's Year Book, vols. 1-16,  
Union and Advertiser, vols. 1-3, 8-12,  
16-21, 27-36, 41, 42, 52-62,  

Society Transactions, etc.

American Institute of N. Y., vols. 1,  
2, 4, 10, 11, 16, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30,  
5, 6, 8-10, 17, 23, 25 and subsequent  
vols.,  
N. Y. State Agricultural Society, vols.  
12, 16, 17, 29, 30, 33, 35,  
N. Y. State Bar Association, vols. 1-6,  
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Western N. Y. Horticultural Society,  
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Genesee Valley Club. ................................. 600 Nos. of periodicals.
Gordon, W. J. .............................................. 700 Nos. of periodicals.
Livingston, Wm. ......................................... 52 Nos. Utica Globe.
Munger, L. F. ............................................. 4000 Nos. periodicals.
Spahn, Major Jacob ................................. files of Democrat and Chronicle 1891–92.

**THE FOLLOWING CURRENT PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS:**

Agricultural Experiment Stations Reports, from ............................. U. S. Govt.
American Garden, from ........................................ Geo. Ellwagner.
Campus, from .............................................. J. B. Warren.
Catholic Champion, from ................................ Publishers.
Census Bulletins, from .................................... U. S. Govt.
Cook’s Excursionist, from ................................ Publishers.
Democrat and Chronicle, from ................................ Publishers.
Garden, from .............................................. Geo. Ellwagner.
Gardener’s Chronicle, from ................................ Geo. Ellwagner.
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Invention, from.................................................. W. Creed.
Jury, from........................................................... Publishers.
Post-Express, from................................................ Publishers.
Pythian Knight, from............................................. Publishers.
Rochester Morning Herald, from............................... Publishers.
Sanitarian, from.................................................. Publishers.
Union and Advertiser, from................................... Publishers.
United States Consular Reports, from......................... U. S. Govt.
Voice, from....................................................... Publishers.
Weekly Crop Bulletin, from..................................... U. S. Govt.

APPENDIX No. 5.

STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

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* Library closed during August.

Whole number of readers, 31,661.
Whole number of books drawn, 28,181.
APPENDIX No. 6.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the year ending September 30th, 1892

RECEIPTS.

Received from M. F. Reynolds .................................. $4,000 00
Fines, books sold, etc. ........................................ 126 90
Arcade rents .................................................................. 5,547 59

$9,674 49

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries ........................................................................ $1,300 00
Light, repairs, etc ......................................................... 336 00
Books ........................................................................ 1,105 67
Periodicals .................................................................... 429 90
Binding ......................................................................... 541 05
Printing ........................................................................ 46 00
Freight, express, etc ..................................................... 24 15
Postage ......................................................................... 11 99
Library supplies .............................................................. 25 64
Extra cleaning ............................................................... 22 45
Sundries ........................................................................ 1 70
Overdrawn .................................................................... 30 73
Cash in bank ................................................................. 5,799 21

$9,674 49
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OF THE

REYNOLDS LIBRARY,

ROCHESTER, N. Y.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1893.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.: DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE PRESS, 1893.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Josiah Anstice, Edward M. Moore,
Theodore Bacon, William C. Morey,
Arthur Cleveland Coxe, Howard Osgood,
George Ellwanger, Cyrus F. Paine,
David J. Hill, Gilman H. Perkins,
Daniel T. Hunt, Samuel Sloan,
Max Landsberg, Samuel A. Lattimore,

Fred. A. Whittlesey.

GENERAL OFFICERS:

President: Edward Mott Moore.

1st Vice-President: George Ellwanger, 2nd Vice-Président: Theodore Bacon.

Secretary: Josiah Anstice.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Executive Committee.
Theodore Bacon, Samuel A. Lattimore.

Property Committee.
Cyrus F. Paine, Josiah Anstice.

Library Committee.
William C. Morey, Fred. A. Whittlesey, Max Landsberg.

Finance Committee.
Samuel Sloan, Howard Osgood.

Librarian:
Alfred S. Collins.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen: The Library Committee respectfully submit herewith their Eighth Annual Report.

The number of volumes in the library, catalogued and shelved, has increased since our last annual report from 23,951 to 26,223. Of these 14,223 belong to the reference department and 12,000 to the circulating department. In addition to these there are uncatalogued 608 volumes of periodicals in broken sets, 302 volumes of newspapers bound and unbound, and 521 duplicates, making the whole number of volumes in the possession of the library, 27,654. There are also about 2,250 pamphlets, some of which have been classed and shelved in pamphlet-cases.

There have been made during the past year no important changes either in the policy or methods of administration adopted by the committee. The only noteworthy fact which perhaps should be mentioned is the establishment of a separate reading-room of medical literature. The suggestions presented in the last annual report regarding the establishment of such a reading room have been seized upon by the physicians of the Monroe County Pathological Society. A committee was appointed by that society which raised between two and three hundred dollars to be given to the library with the understanding that this sum, together with an equal sum set apart by the Library Committee, should be expended in the purchase and binding of medical books and periodicals. As the result of this arrangement a room has been set apart as a medical reading-room. The medical works already possessed by the library have been shelved in this room. Other works have been purchased and about sixty medical periodicals have been subscribed for and the current numbers of these periodicals have been placed on file. Persons are admitted to this room by special permission of the librarian. The arrangement thus adopted partakes somewhat of the character of an experiment. Whether it should be continued, and for how long a time, should doubtless be determined by the success which attends it. In any case it seems the part of wisdom that books having the peculiar and professional
character of medical works should be placed in a room by themselves, the access to which being under the direct control of the librarian.

The Library Committee have tried to do all in their power to aid the University Extension movement. Nearly all the books recommended by the lecturers in the several courses have been ordered and so far as possible purchased made accessible to readers in the general reference-room. This movement is so closely related to the purposes of the library that it is believed that no expenditure of funds can more directly accomplish the ends for which this institution was founded than the purchase of books for students who are pursuing these courses of study.

The Library Committee has expended during the year, $5,492.10, of this amount there has been expended for books $3,877.46; for periodicals $654.04; for binding $519.61; for printing $188.25. The remaining expenditures have been for postage, expressage, library supplies, cleaning and sundries.

The library has received by gift during the past year 1,108 volumes and 48 pamphlets, besides a large number of periodicals enumerated in the librarian's report contained in appendix No. 4. Special mention should be made of the following gifts: Hon. C. S. Baker, 36 volumes; Dr. Henry B. Baker, 72 volumes and 51 pamphlets; Biblia Book Club, 18 volumes; Mrs. J. M. Brown, 10 volumes; Mrs. Dr. Amos Crosby, 40 volumes and 7 pamphlets; Dr. C. A. Dewey, 116 volumes; Mrs. S. R. A. Dolley, 88 volumes and 23 nos. of periodicals; Drew Allis & Co., 49 volumes; Mrs. G. T. Elliott, 19 volumes; Hon. H. S. Greenleaf, 147 volumes and 95 pamphlets; New York Academy of Medicine, 106 volumes and 5 pamphlets; New York State, 17 volumes; Dr. J. O. Roe, 69 volumes and 1370 numbers of periodicals; U. S. Government, 17 volumes and 60 pamphlets; Jas. S. Watson, 39 volumes; Worcester District Medical Society, 251 volumes and 91 pamphlets; Dr. S. W. Davidson, 24 numbers of periodicals; Dr. Charles Forbes, 58 numbers of periodicals; Dr. Max Landsberg, 19 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. L. A. Nirdlinger, 16 volumes of the "Casket"; H. S. Osgood, 52 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. M. J. Slaitgh, 94 numbers of periodicals; Geo. Ellwanger, "American Gardening," "the Garden," "Gardener's Chronicle" and "Gardener's Magazine."

Our obligation is also due to the publishers for files of the follow-

Besides the books mentioned in the previous list we have received from the U. S. Government, the Reports from the Agricultural Stations, the Census Bulletins, the official Gazette of the Patent Office, the U. S. Consular Reports and the Weekly Crop Bulletins.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Morey,
Fred. A. Whittlesey,
Max Landsberg,

Library Committee.
REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE,

CONSTITUTED JULY 13, 1892.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen—On the 13th day of July, 1892, the following resolutions were passed, which constituted the present committee and which form the basis of the report now submitted:

"Resolved, That the Chair appoint, at some convenient time after the adjournment of this meeting, a special committee of five trustees, who shall be charged with the following duties:

"1. To ascertain and report the total gross income of the Arcade property for the five years last past, adopting for that purpose, if it shall be found more convenient, the five complete calendar years next preceding this date—the income of each year to be separately stated.

"2. To ascertain and report the expenditure chargeable against such income for each of the five years aforesaid for maintenance, repairs, insurance and other expenses properly to be deducted for the ascertainment of the net income of the several years aforesaid.

"3. To ascertain and report the total payments during each of said years for taxes on said property, the sum thus ascertained in this and the two preceding paragraphs to be collated and tabulated so as to give this Board in a convenient form a summary view of gross and net income.

"4. To ascertain and report a complete statement of all existing leases of the property in a tabulated form, showing the names of lessees, the premises covered by leases, the purposes for which occupied, the terms of rental and dates of commencement and termination of the term of each lease, and privilege of renewal or extension, if any; this statement to contain also information in regard to unoccupied parts of the premises, the rental which may reasonably be expected to be obtained therefrom, and the rental value of those portions of the property now occupied for library purposes.

"5. To ascertain and report the permanent employees of the Arcade property, the length of time they have been employed, and the rates of compensation they are receiving."
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“6. To arrange and report a plan for the permanent care and administration of the property of this corporation, including the making of leases, the direction of repairs and improvements, the collection of rents and the compensation of employees, with such recommendations as the committee shall deem wise in regard to persons to be employed.

“7. To ascertain and report a system for the administration of the office of treasurer of this corporation, his relations with the various committees and with the Superintendent, or other person in principal charge of the property, the method of keeping accounts, depositing and checking moneys, and the giving of bonds for the treasurer.

“8. To consider and report what course this Board should pursue in regard to the maintenance of the buildings now constituting the Arcade and East Arcade property, or their replacement by more permanent and productive structures, and if such replacement shall be recommended, to report approximately the cost of suitable structures, the means of meeting such cost, and the probable income to be derived therefrom.

“9. To consider and report what course should be pursued for the better housing, administration and use of the library, and in particular to consider the expediency of converting the Homestead building on Spring street into a fire-proof condition, whenever the present occupancy thereof shall be terminated, together with sketch plans and estimates for that purpose.

“10. To consider and report what part of the income of this corporation shall be applied for the coming year to the purposes of the library, distinguishing in such recommendation between the provinces of the executive and library committees as heretofore maintained, and what disposition should be made of the residue of such income.

“11. To consider and report upon any subject affecting the interests of this corporation, not herein before specified.”

The committee appointed by the President of the Board to consider and report upon the matters set forth in the foregoing resolutions, afterwards enlarged by the addition of Mr. Paine, entered upon its work with the full consciousness of the importance and difficulties of the task assigned to it, and with the desire to perform as faithfully and thoroughly as possible the duties which it involved. Several prolonged conferences have been held, and sub-committees have been appointed to consider the various specific questions which the resolutions contained. The following report is therefore based upon the reports of these several sub-committees.
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It will be seen that the resolutions call for the consideration of two separate and distinct classes of subjects, the one of information, the other of advice. In other words, the first part of the resolutions calls for the facts which indicate the present condition and management of the property of the corporation; the second part calls for the recommendation of certain plans to guide the future action of the Board in the administration of that property. For the sake of clearness these different subjects will be presented separately.

I.—PRESENT CONDITION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE PROPERTY.

The first five resolutions call for information regarding the Arcade property in respect to its gross income, expenditures and net income, previous taxes, existing leases, and present employees. Your committee has thought proper to present in the body of this report general statements regarding the facts called for, supplementing these with annexed schedules setting forth the details upon which these statements are based.

I. GROSS INCOME.—The entire income derived from rent of the Arcade property for the five years ending May 1st, 1893, was as follows:

For the year 1888-89..................$42,896.07
"  "  "  1889-90..................42,555.33
"  "  "  1890-91..................42,144.76
"  "  "  1891-92..................36,271.94
"  "  "  1892-93..................33,064.04

"The Reynolds Library" commenced to receive an income from rents of the Arcade property July 1st, 1892. The gross income from rents from July 1st, 1892, to May 1st, 1893, (ten months) amounted to $30,350.95.

The total rental value of the Arcade property at the present time may be estimated from the following statements:

On May 1st, 1893, the rents under existing leases amounted to $38,569.00
Estimated rental value of rooms occupied by "The Reynolds Library"......2,660.00
Estimated rental value of vacant rooms....960.00

Estimated total rental value of property........$42,189.00
2. **Expenditures and Net Income.**—The expenditures properly chargeable against the gross income of the Arcade property for maintenance, repairs, insurance and other expenses for the five years mentioned in the resolutions consist of the following principal items: Wages of manager and employees, heating, lighting, repairs, insurance, water bills, office expenses and supplies. The total amount of the expenditures for each of the five years mentioned, together with the gross income already specified, and also the resulting net income, have been tabulated and are presented in the annexed Schedules Nos. 1 and 2. In Schedule No. 1 the expenditures include the city and county taxes for the four years ending May 1st, 1892. In Schedule No. 2 these taxes are deducted from the expenditures.

3. **Previous Taxes.**—The total payments for city and county taxes for the four years ending May 1st, 1882, were as follows:

   For the year 1888-89.................. $6,852.95
   " " 1889-90........................... 7,044.39
   " " 1890-91........................... 6,673.81
   " " 1891-92........................... 6,774.67

4. **Existing Leases.**—The rentable premises of the Arcade consist of six stores on East Main Street, twenty stores in Arcade Hall and three stores on Exchange Place; also one hundred and thirteen rooms in the upper portions of the building.

   The financial year commences May 1st, at which date leases are made to annual tenants. Leases are not usually given to monthly tenants.

   On May 1, 1893, the existing leases, length of times, and amounts were as follows, viz:

   11 leases, expiring April 30, 1894, amt. to $11,464
   4 " " 30, 1897, " 14,156
   1 " " 30, 1898, " 3,000
   53 " on annual or monthly payments amt. to 9,949

   Total amount of existing leases................. $38,569

   The stores fronting on East Main street, including that part of Arcade Hall rented to Allen, Strauss & Co., pay one-half of the amount received for rents from the entire Arcade property, viz: $19,356. The entire upper stories are now rented for $10,141.
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5. Present Employees.—The following list contains the names of employees, length of time they have been employed and compensation:

George H. Harris, Manager, 15 years, $1,500 per year.
D. D. Harris, Assistant, 5 months, 15 " week.
J. H. Cooper, Watchman, 10 years, 14 " "
F. H. Conner, Carpenter, 3 " 12 " "
J. M. VanHouten, Engineer, 6 " 9 " "
Stewart and Wife, Janitors, 11 months, 15 " "

Total annual amount paid to employees..............$4,880

II.—Plans Recommended for the Future.

The second part of the resolutions calls for plans to be recommended by the committee regarding the future policy of the Board in respect to the methods of administering the property of the corporation, the financial duties of the treasurer, the disposition to be made of the Arcade and East Arcade property, the provisions for a Library building, and the distribution of the income among the various committees.

6. Methods of Administration.—The details of the methods recommended by the committee for the management of the corporation are contained in a proposed set of By-Laws appended to this report. (See Schedule No. 3.) A few words by way of general explanation will here be sufficient.

On account of the diverse interests of the corporation, and in order that the general welfare of the whole institution may not be lost sight of in the administration of details, it is thought proper that a committee of general supervision, under the name of the Executive Committee, be appointed, to which shall be entrusted the administrative powers of the Board as a whole, and which shall be responsible only for the general policy of the institution, and not be hampered by the care of those administrative details which often prevent the proper consideration of matters of general importance. While this general committee should be empowered to inquire into the character and efficiency of the administrative methods employed, it is believed that the actual management of administrative details should be reposed in the hands of special committees.
REYNOLDS LIBRARY.

The entire property of the corporation may be regarded as separable into three parts, which are quite distinct in their character and in the methods which should be employed in their management. First is the productive real estate, or what is called the Arcade property. This should, it is believed, be placed in the hands of a committee of capable and practical business men, which may be called the Property Committee, and which should have the direction of the methods adopted for the care and preservation of this property, the insurance, repairs, heating and lighting of the buildings appertaining to it, and all matters which concern the estate as a piece of productive property. The second part of the corporate property is that which is connected with the Library proper, that is, the books and other literary property, the Library building, etc., which are not managed for productive purposes, but are used to accomplish the charitable end for which the Library was founded. On account of the prospective separation of this property from that previously mentioned, and because it is so intimately connected with the work of the library, it is believed that the care of this property should be entrusted to the Library Committee which will be most interested in its maintenance. The third species of corporate property consists of the moneys collected from the productive estate and the invested funds of the corporation. These, it is believed, should be entrusted to the care and direction of the Finance Committee, which should be responsible for their safe keeping, their proper disbursement, or their secure investment.

The specific functions of these several committees are set forth in Article II of the proposed By-Laws, (Schedule 3).

7. The Office of Treasurer.—As the Property Committee should be assisted by a Business Manager as its executive agent, and as the Library Committee fulfills its obligations through the administrative aid of the Librarian, it is believed that the Treasurer should be regarded as the responsible administrative agent of the Finance Committee. Under the direction of this committee should the Treasurer receive the incomes of the corporation. Under its direction should he deposit moneys, draw checks, pay bills and invest funds; and to this committee should he give bonds for the proper performance of his duties. The relation which the Treasurer should sustain to the various other committees is indicated in § 14 of the proposed By-Laws:

8. Disposition to be Made of the Arcade Property.—No
subject referred to your committee seems of greater importance or involves graver consequences than that which concerns the course to be pursued by the Board of Trustees "in regard to the maintenance of the buildings now constituting the Arcade and East Arcade property, or their replacement by more permanent and productive structures." Your committee may frankly acknowledge that it approached the consideration of this subject with strong impressions, which have been deepened and confirmed by all its inquiries and all its deliberations. Conscious though it is of the peril attending a great indebtedness, a peril, indeed, against which the charter of our incorporation expressly warns and guards us, it recognizes also serious danger in the existing condition of our property as well as immense disadvantage apart from danger. The highest usefulness of the institution under our charge requires the highest practicable development of its property so that it shall produce the utmost income consistent with the safety of its capital. That development your committee is convinced can only be attained by the entire removal of the existing structures and their replacement by others.

The buildings referred to in this branch of the resolution which constitutes your committee, while they occupy a tract of land which is undoubtedly, for some commercial purposes, the most valuable tract now under a single ownership in the city of Rochester, are for the most part of great age, having been constructed no less than sixty-four years ago. Notwithstanding the care with which they have been maintained during all their life, in part perhaps by reason of the care which has sought by frequent remodeling to adapt them to modern ideas of convenience and elegance, they have begun to show throughout indications of weakness, decay and dilapidation which have made their maintenance more and more costly and difficult, and have even at times suggested a doubt whether further repairs had not become impracticable. The fact is probably not altogether unrelated to the decay of the buildings that the rates of insurance have but just now been advanced by one-third, upon the avowed purpose of the insurers to double the rates heretofore paid. We have been compelled to notice, moreover, during the short time that the property has been owned by the Library as well as for some years before, a serious and substantial change in the demand for apartments by tenants, and in the income derived from portions actually occupied.

Your committee, therefore, does not hesitate to report that the Board should distinctly and at once declare, for the immediate con-
duct of its affairs, that it will, at an early day, replace the collection of buildings of various dates now occupying its property by a single great commercial structure, covering its entire tract, to be built upon the best known plans of modern, permanent and fire-proof construction, and of such external appearance as shall be worthy of the munificence which founded the Reynolds Library, shall be a fit monument to the family whose name it bears, and shall recognize the public duty, which we believe to be incumbent upon every builder, to illustrate and not to offend acknowledged principles of architectural art.

Your committee is of the opinion that the most economical use of the valuable tract which is its sole endowment, can be had only by the construction of a building which, by reason of its height, shall multiply the area of the soil by a large factor. The modern use of elevators gives to the highest stories of a lofty building a utility and a productive value not less and sometimes even greater than that of the stories below. They believe that in this city, notwithstanding the recent multiplication of buildings of such character, it would be wiser to erect a structure of ten stories than one of inferior capacity. Nor do they doubt at all that the contrivance of the Arcade passage, which in 1829 served to make the property especially attractive and productive, would be a great and useless waste, in any new construction, of very precious space.

Further than these general suggestions your committee would not venture now to make any recommendation in regard to the character or details of the building ultimately to be constructed, but these suggestions it deems it wise for the Board, if it shall concur with its committee, to declare and adopt as determining its general policy. This report has already made known to the Board that an important lease has yet to run until the 30th of April, 1898, and that leases involving large rentals expire only a year earlier than that date. Your committee recommends that no improvements or repairs be made upon the premises beyond what shall be necessary in the discharge of obligations to existing tenants and for obtaining the utmost income that the property can be made to produce up to the latest date mentioned, and they especially recommend that no lease be made or extended beyond that date.

The approximate cost of a structure wholly undetermined can, of course, be estimated only upon a very loose approximation. Such
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opinions, however, as your committee have been able to obtain lead them to report that a sum not far from $500,000 would adequately satisfy all the conditions heretofore suggested. This sum, in a favorable condition of the market for money, though obviously not at present, can be raised by mortgage upon the property to be improved by it, upon long time and at a rate of not exceeding and possibly under five per cent. The charter of the Library wisely forbids the incurring of any debt. It is not doubted, however, that legislative action may relax this prohibition; and the committee recommends that at a proper time application be made to the legislature for authority to make such a loan upon mortgage, and that whenever such loan shall be made the trustees shall establish out of the increased income of the Library a sinking fund of from two to four per cent. annually, by withholding the necessary amount from what would otherwise be the support of the Library, until the indebtedness shall be extinguished. Your committee also recommend that, as during the past year, the Library expenditures shall be kept down far within the actual income of the corporation, so as to accumulate a fund for that period when, by reason of reconstruction, no income shall issue from the endowment, and also for the purpose of reducing to the utmost the indebtedness to be incurred for the purpose of rebuilding.

"The probable income to be derived" from such a structure cannot at present be further estimated than in the statement that it would unquestionably be enough to meet interest on cost, such a sinking fund as has been proposed, and some amount, increasing annually with the reduction of the interest charge, for the purposes of our incorporation.

9. Provisions for a Library-Building.—The questions submitted in the 9th resolution seem to require for their satisfactory solution the advice of a professional architect. The committee is of the opinion, however, that the Homestead buildings on Spring street in their present state, or even if converted into a fire proof condition, would be inadequate to meet the present requirements of the Library. It therefore seems the part of wisdom to adopt at the outset some general plan for the library-building which is in harmony with the the most approved methods of library construction and which is of such a character as to afford an opportunity for further growth and expansion, without entailing loss or destruction of any part of the building which may have been already constructed. The drawing of
such a plan would require the skill of a professional architect of considerable experience in library construction. The committee therefore recommends the employment, as soon as convenient, of an architect of approved skill and reputation, whose advice and assistance may be placed at the service of the Board.

In connection with the question just considered, which involves the prospective removal of the library from its present locality, the committee recommends that some provision be made for the retention in the present Arcade building of a Business Men's Reading Room which shall be supplied with the most important newspapers in the country and with duplicate copies of the most popular magazines, together with any works of ready reference which may meet the special needs of business men. Such an arrangement, it is believed, would not only be a convenience to the tenants of the building, but to others as well, and would become an attractive feature of the building, perhaps to the extent even of enhancing its commercial value.

10. Distribution of the Income.—In regard to the mode of dividing the income of the library, the committee recommends that the income be distributed in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article IV of the proposed set of by-laws.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE BACON,
HOWARD OSGOOD,
GILMAN H. PERKINS,
SAMUEL A. LATTIMORE,
CYRUS F. PAINE,
WILLIAM C. MOREY,

Committee.
SCHEDULE No. 1.

Statement showing the gross income, expenditures (including the amounts paid for city and county taxes) and net income, for five years—May 1, 1888, to May 1, 1893.

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STATEMENT showing the gross income, expenditures, (not including the amounts paid for city and county taxes,) and net income for five years—May 1, 1888, to May 1, 1893.

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Net income—Average amount per year for five years ending May 1, 1893, $29,104.65.
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SCHEDULE 3.

PROPOSED SET OF BY-LAWS.*

Article I.—General Officers of the Board.

Section 1. The general officers of the Board of Trustees shall be a President, a first Vice-President, a second Vice-President and a Secretary.

§ 2. The above named officers shall be regularly elected by ballot at each annual meeting of the Board. If for any reason a vacancy occur before the regular annual meeting, it may be filled at any regular monthly meeting, provided a previous notice has been given of such an election.

§ 3. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Board; to appoint all standing and special committees; and to exercise a general supervision over the interests of the corporation.

§ 4. The Vice-Presidents, in the absence of the President, shall in the order of their seniority exercise all the duties of that officer; and shall at other times render such assistance to the President as he shall deem advisable.

§ 5. The Secretary shall keep a correct and permanent record of the proceedings of each meeting of the Board, including a list of subjects referred to standing and special committees. He shall furnish to any member of the Board, upon request of such member, any information desired regarding the official action of the Board; he shall act as the correspondent of the Board in all matters not coming within the province of the several committees; and he shall take charge of all official papers, records and documents of the corporation not belonging to the jurisdiction of any committee.

Article II.—Standing Committees of the Board.

Section 6. The active control of all the affairs of the corporation shall be entrusted to four committees, namely: a committee of general supervision, called the Executive Committee; and three committees of special administration, called respectively, the Property Committee, the Library Committee, and the Finance Committee.

* These By-Laws were adopted by the Board October 10, 1893.
§ 7. The Executive Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the President of the Board, and shall have direction of the general policy of the corporation as a body organized for the ultimate purpose of advancing the moral and intellectual interests of the community. The duties of the committee shall include:

(1.) The control of all matters of general administration and such special matters as do not come within the defined province of other standing committees.

(2.) The settlement of all questions growing out of the relations of the corporation to the public and the suggestion of methods, when such suggestion seems necessary, to increase the efficiency of the institution.

(3.) The interpretation of the By-Laws and the settlement of all questions and differences which may arise regarding the jurisdiction of the different special committees of administration.

(4.) The inquiry into the methods employed and the results accomplished by the different administrative committees of the Board and by the different agents employed by the Board to perform executive duties.

(5.) The exercise of any of the authorized powers of the Board when such exercise of power is necessary to meet an emergency unforeseen and otherwise unprovided for. In case such extraordinary power has at any time been exercised, the fact shall be reported at the next meeting of the Board for ratification.

§ 8. The Property Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the President of the Board, and shall have the control and management of all that part of the real estate belonging to the corporation which is intended to yield an income, or is set apart for productive purposes. The duties of the Committee shall include the decision of all questions relating to:

(1.) The preservation, insurance and keeping in proper repair of the property intrusted to its management and control.

(2.) The determination of methods which shall render such property as productive as possible and which shall best contribute to the available income of the corporation.

(3.) The leasing of stores, offices and rooms which are intended for the occupation of tenants, provided only that the rents due from such leases shall be payable monthly and subject to collection by the Business Manager.
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(4.) The settlement of any differences which may arise between the tenants and the Business Manager relating to the nature, extent or terms of any lease.

(5.) The eviction of tenants, the continuation of whose leases on account of non-payment of rent, or for other sufficient reasons, is considered undesirable by the committee.

(6.) The employment of all persons necessary to assist the Business Manager in the administration of the productive property of the corporation, and the fixing of the salaries and duties of such persons employed.

§ 9. The Library Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the President of the Board, and shall have the control and management of the internal administration of the Library and of all real and personal property specially set apart for Library purposes. The duties of this committee shall include:

(1.) The control of the Library building and the decision of all questions relating to shelving, furniture, fixtures, ventilation, repairs, heating and lighting, insurance and similar matters.

(2.) The purchase and binding of books and periodicals, the acceptance and acknowledgment of donations to the Library, and the disposition to be made of duplicates and unserviceable books.

(3.) The proper classification, arrangement, numbering, shelving, cataloguing and indexing of books, pamphlets and other materials intended for Library uses.

(4.) The settlement of all questions relating to the lending of books, the correction of abuses of library privileges, the collection of fines and the mode of treating delinquents.

(5.) The employment of attendants in the Library and the designation of their duties.

(6.) The organization and adoption of such methods as will make the contents of the Library most useful to the public.

§ 10. The Finance Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the President of the Board, and shall be responsible for the financial condition of the corporation. The duties of the committee shall be:

(1.) To see that all general and special funds held in trust by the Board shall be invested and employed in harmony with the powers
granted by the charter of incorporation and in accordance with the purpose of the donor or donors from whom such funds have been received.

(2.) To supervise the financial methods adopted by the other committees and by the Treasurer, in the accounting for receipts and expenditures.

(3.) To see that the expenditures of the various committees are kept within the appropriations authorized by the Board.

(4) To audit the Treasurer's accounts and certify as to the correctness of his annual report.

**ARTICLE III.—ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD.**

**Section II.** Each Committee of Administration shall have under its control an executive officer, who shall be immediately responsible to the committee for the performance of his duties and shall act as its administrative agent. Such officers of administration shall comprise a Business Manager, a Librarian and a Treasurer.

§ 12. The Business Manager shall be elected by the Board upon the nomination of the Property Committee, and shall be responsible to that committee for the proper performance of his duties. The duties of the Business Manager shall be:

(i.) To carry out the will of the Property Committee in the care and leasing of the property placed under its management, and to have charge of all persons employed by that committee.

(2) To report to the Property Committee as often as it may direct, the condition of the tenantable property, whether leased or unoccupied.

(3.) To make out annually triplicate statements of all the rents due from leases made under his supervision; such statements to be furnished to the Property Committee, to the Finance Committee and to the Treasurer. These annual statements must be supplemented by a report of any additional rents due from leases made subsequently to the yearly statements.

(4.) To collect on the first of each month all the rents due for that month, and to turn over the funds thus collected to the Treasurer on or before the fifth day of the same month, and at the same time to report to the Property Committee any arrears of rent.
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(5.) To present at the close of each month to the chairman of the Property Committee the bills for all expenses incurred under the direction of said committee. Such bills, after their approval by the chairman of said committee, shall be sent to the chairman of the Finance Committee, who shall direct their payment if within the appropriation authorized by the Board.

§ 13. The Librarian shall be elected by the Board upon the nomination of the Library Committee, and shall be responsible to that committee for the proper performance of his duties. The duties of the Librarian shall be:

(1.) To execute the will of the Library Committee in all matters coming within the province of that committee.

(2.) To report to the said committee at the close of each month a tabulated statement showing the total number of volumes in the Library and in each class, the number of volumes acquired and lost since the last monthly statement, and the extent of the circulation of books during the previous month.

(3.) To collect the fines imposed upon delinquents for the detention or loss of books, and to turn over to the Treasurer on or before the fifth day of each month such fines, together with any other moneys received from the sale of catalogues or other sources.

(4.) To present at the close of each month to the chairman of the Library Committee, the bills of all expenses incurred under the direction of said committee. Such bills, after their approval by the chairman of the said committee, shall be sent to the chairman of the Finance Committee, who shall direct their payment if within the appropriation authorized by the Board.

(5.) To furnish each year a written report to be presented to the Board, setting forth the general condition of the Library and the character of its growth during the closing year, together with any recommendations which, in his judgment, may tend to enlarge its usefulness.

§ 14. The Treasurer shall be elected by the Board upon the nomination of the Finance Committee, and shall be responsible to that committee for the proper performance of his duties.

(1.) He shall act as general custodian of all moneys and funds belonging to the corporation, and shall keep accurate books of account of all receipts and expenditures—such books being always open to the inspection of any member of the Finance Committee.
(2.) He shall be the only disbursing officer of the Board, and shall expend no money from the treasury except in accordance with the appropriations designated by the Board of Trustees, and upon orders from the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

(3.) He shall keep an account of all expenditures for salaries and wages of employees, repairs and improvements to the buildings and property of the corporation, which account shall show for what purpose and to whom the amounts have been paid, and for each payment he shall obtain a receipted bill, which shall be filed with the order directing the payment of the same.

(4.) He shall keep a cash deposit account in such bank located in this city as shall be designated by the Finance Committee. Said deposit account shall be kept in the name of “The Reynolds Library,” and all checks on said account shall be signed in the corporate name by him as Treasurer.

(5.) He shall present to the Board of Trustees at its annual meeting a written report of the receipts and expenditures and of the finances of the corporation; and he shall make monthly reports to the Finance Committee.

(6.) He shall also give a bond for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, which shall be acceptable to the Finance Committee.

**Article IV. — Appropriations of the Board.**

**Section 15.** No funds belonging to the corporation shall be expended for any purpose except in accordance with appropriations made by the Board.

§ 16. The appropriation of funds to be expended shall be based upon estimates presented by the chairmen of the several committees at the annual meeting of the board—such estimates to cover the expenses for the ensuing year.

§ 17. The estimates of the Property Committee shall include the funds necessary to be expended for its purpose, and shall be arranged under the following items:

- (1.) Salaries.
- (2.) Insurance.
- (3.) Repairs.
- (4.) Heating.
- (5.) Lighting.
- (6.) Water supply.
- (7.) Office supplies.
- (8.) Sundries.
- (9.) Extraordinary expenses.
§ 18. The estimates of the Library Committee shall include the funds necessary to be expended for its purpose, and shall be arranged under the following items:

(1.) Salaries. (8.) Periodicals.
(2.) Insurance. (9.) Binding.
(3.) Repairs. (10.) Printing.
(4.) Heating. (11.) Postage and Expressage.
(5.) Lighting. (12.) Library supplies.
(6.) Water supply. (13.) Sundries.
(7.) Books. (14.) Extraordinary Expenses.

§ 19. The estimates of the other committees shall include in a similar manner a statement of the expenditures for which they desire appropriations to be made.

§ 20. Any part of the yearly income remaining in the treasury after the general annual appropriations have been made may at the request of any committee, at any regular meeting of the Board, be specially appropriated to meet the further needs of such committee, if in the judgment of the Board such additional appropriation seems desirable.

Article V.—Meetings of the Board.

Section 21. The board shall meet regularly on the second Monday of each calendar month. The Secretary shall give due notice of each meeting to each member.

§ 22. A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

§ 23. The order of business at the regular monthly meeting shall be as follows:

(1.) Reading of minutes.
(2.) Reports of standing committees.
(3.) Reports of special committees.
(4.) Unfinished business.
(5.) Correspondence.
(6.) Miscellaneous business.

§ 24. The annual meeting of the Board shall be held at the time of the regular monthly meeting in October.
§ 25. At the annual meeting the order of business prescribed for the monthly meeting shall be supplemented as follows:

(7.) Report of Business Manager.
(8.) Report of the Librarian.
(9.) Report of the Treasurer.
(10.) Election of officers.
(11.) Appointment of standing committees.
(12.) Annual appropriations.

§ 26. Special meetings may be called by the Secretary at any time at the request of the President of the Board or of the chairman of any standing committee.

ARTICLE VI.—AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.

Section 27. Any of the foregoing By-Laws may be suspended at any meeting of the Board with the unanimous consent of the members present.

§ 28. Any amendment may be made to these By-Laws by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted to the Board at a regular meeting immediately preceding its adoption.
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**CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE READING ROOM.**

<p>| Academy,                        | Good Housekeeping,              |
| Agricultural Science,           | Harper's Bazar,                 |
| Album des Modes,                | Harper's Monthly,               |
| American Architect,             | Harper's Weekly,                |
| American Gardening,             | Home Maker,                     |
| American Journal of Science,    | Illustrated American,           |
| American Naturalist,            | Illustrated London News,        |
| Arena,                          | Illustration,                   |
| Argonaut,                       | Illustrierte Zeitung,           |
| Artist,                         | John Hopkins University Studies,|
| Asiatic Quarterly Review,       | Journal of Folk Lore,           |
| Astronomy and Astro-Physics,    | Journal of the Franklin Institute,|
| Athenæum,                       | Journal of the Royal Microscop-|
| Atlantic,                       | ical Society,                   |
| Bibliographie de la France,     | Ladies' Home Journal,           |
| Bibliotheca Sacra,              | Library Journal,                |
| Blackwood,                      | Literary News,                  |
| Bookseller,                     | Littell's Living Age,           |
| Catholic Champion,              | London Quarterly Review,        |
| Century,                        | London Times (Weekly Edition),  |
| Commercial and Financial Chronic-| Macmillan's Magazine,           |
| icle,                           | Magazine of American History,    |
| Contemporary Review,            | Magazine of Art,                |
| Cooks Excursionist,             | Mind,                           |
| Co-operative Index,             | Mode de Paris,                  |
| Cosmopolitan,                   | Music,                          |
| Critic,                         | Mode Pratique,                  |
| Cyclopedic Review of Current    | Nation,                         |
| History,                        | Nature,                         |
| Decorator and Furnisher,        | New England Historical and Ge- |
| Demorest's Magazine,            | nalogical Register,             |
| Deutsche Rundschau,             | New England Magazine,           |
| Edinburgh Review,               | New Jerusalem Review,           |
| Educational Review,             | New Review,                     |
| Electricity,                    | New World,                      |
| Engineering,                    | Nineteenth Century,             |
| Engineering Magazine,           | North American Review,          |
| English Historical Review,      | Notes and Queries,              |
| English Illustrated Magazine,    | Official Gazette of the Patent  |
| Fortnightly,                    | Office,                         |
| Forum,                          | Outing,                         |
| Garden,                         | Political Science Quarterly,    |
| Gardener's Chronicle,           | Popular Science Monthly,        |
| Gardener's Magazine,            | Public Opinion,                 |</p>
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**MEDICAL PERIODICALS.**

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Revue de Chirurgie, Universal Medical Journal,  
Revue de Medecine, University Medical Magazine,  
Therapeutic Gazette, Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift,  
times and Register,  
Union Medicale,  

APPENDIX NO 2

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1) Society Publications.
American Association for the Advancement of Science,  
American Economic Association,  
American Academy of Political and Social Science,  
American Statistical Association,  
British Association for the Advancement of Science,  
Buffalo Historical Society Reports  
Kansas State Historical Society,  
Papers of the American Historical Association,  
Peabody Museum Annual Reports  
Rochester Academy of Science,  
Royal Geographical Society of London Proceedings,  
Royal Microscopical Society Journal.

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions.
Amherst College,  
Apprentice's Library,  
Astor Library,  
Bridgeport Public Library,  
Chicago Public Library,  
Cleveland Public Library,  
Cornell University,  
Detroit Public Library,  
Harvard University,  
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Providence Athenæum,  
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St. Louis Mercantile Library,  
Salem Public Library,  
San Francisco Public Library,  
Toledo Public Library,  
University of California,  
University of Rochester,  
University of State of New York,  
Worcester Public Library,  
Yale University.

(3) U. S. Government.
Board of Geographic Names,  
Bureau of American Republics,  
Bureau of Education,  
Bureau of Labor,  
Bureau of the Mint,  
Catalogue of Surgeon-General's Library,  
Coast Survey,  
Commissioner of Agriculture,  
Commissioner of Navigation,  
Comptroller of Currency,  
Consular Reports,  
Interstate Commerce Commission  
Secretary of the Treasury,  
Smithsonian Reports,  
Smithsonian Contributions,  
Smithsonian Miscellaneous Publications,  
United States Geological Survey,  
United States Patent Office Gazette,  
War of the Rebellion, Official Record.
(4) Agricultural Experiment Stations.
Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station, California " "
Connecticut " "
Cornell University " "
Delaware " "
Illinois " "
Iowa " "
Kansas " "
Kentucky " "
Maine " "
Massachusetts " "
Minnesota " "
New York " "
Ohio " "
Oregon " "
Pennsylvania " "
Rhode Island " "
Tennessee " "
Utah " "
Vermont " "
Wisconsin " "

(5) Other Serials.

(ANNUALS.
Almanach de Gotha,

| Annual of the Universal Medical Sciences, |
| Annual Register, |
| Appleton's Annual Cyclopedia, |
| Argus Almanac, |
| Co-operative Index, |
| Hazell's Annual, |
| New York Civil List, |
| New York Red Book, |
| Rochester Directory, |
| Statesman's Year Book, |
| Tribune Almanac, |
| Union & Advertiser's Year Book, |
| Whitaker's Almanac, |
| World Almanac. |

BIENNIALS. |
| McPherson's Political Hand-book, |
| Rochester Street Directory, |
| United States Blue Book. |

FIVE YEARLY. |
| American Catalogue, |
| Hinrich's Bücher Catalogue, |
| Poole's Index to Periodicals. |
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PERIODICALS WANTED TO COMPLETE SETS.

(Volumes according to Poole.)

American Church Review, vols. 1-32.
American Naturalist, June number of 1889.
Analectic Magazine, vols. 9, 12.
Appleton's Journal, all after vol. 16.
Art Journal, all after 1870.
Athenæum, all previous to 1886.
Biblical Repository, all after vol. 22.
Bibliotheca Sacra, vols. 32-42.
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, vols. 1-30 and all after vol. 65.
Braithwaite's Retrospect, vols. 66, 81-90, 92-98, 104, 105.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle, vols. 1-5.
Critic vols. :-4.
Democrat and Chronicle, vols. 1, 5, 6, 26, 29-31, 45-55.
Horticulturist, vol. 31 and subsequent vols.
Journal of the Franklin Institute, vols. 41, 45, 47, 60-71, 78 88, 110.
Medical Record, vols. 1-16, 23 and subsequent vols.
Nation, vols. 1-3, 5.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register, number for January, 1863.
Post Express, vols. 1-6.
REYNOLDS LIBRARY.

Scientific American, 1st series, vol. 1.
Spectator, vols. 1-58.
Union and Advertiser, vols. 1-3, 8-12, 16-21, 27-36, 41, 42, 52-62.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS, ETC.

American Institute of N. Y., vols. 1, 2, 4, 10, 11, 16, 23, 25, 30, 33.
American Public Health Association, vols. 2-8.
New York Historical Society collections, vols. 5, 6, 8-10, 17, 23, 25 and subsequent vols.
New York State Agricultural Society Transactions, vols. 12, 16, 17, 33, 35 and subsequent vols.
New York State Bar Association, vols. 1-6, 8-10, 13 and subsequent vols.
Western New York Horticultural Society, vols. 1-16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 27, 33, 34.

APPENDIX NO. 4.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY, 1892-93.

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Total: 1,108 480
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Davison, Dr. S. W. ........................................ 24 numbers of periodicals.
Dolley, Mrs. S. R. A. ....................................... 23 numbers of periodicals.
Forbes, Dr. Charles ......................................... 58 numbers of periodicals.
Landsberg, Dr. Max. ......................................... 19 numbers of periodicals.
Nirdlinger, Mrs. T. A. ...................................... Volumes 1-16 of the “Casket.”
Osgood, H. L. .................................................. 52 numbers of periodicals.
Otis, Alexander .............................................. File of the “Artist.”
Roe, Dr. John O. ............................................. 1370 numbers of periodicals.
Slaight, Mrs. M. J. ............................................ 94 numbers of periodicals.
Whittlesey, F. A. .............................................. 4 numbers of periodicals.

THE FOLLOWING CURRENT PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS.

Abendpost und Beobachter, from ................................ Publishers.
Agricultural Experiment Stations Reports, from ........... U. S. Govt.
American Gardening, from ................................ Geo. Ellwanger.
Artist, from .................................................. Alex. Otis.
Catholic Champion, from ................................ Publishers.
Census Bulletins, from ..................................... U. S. Govt.
Cook’s Excursionist, from ................................ Publishers.
Democrat and Chronicle, from ................................ Publishers.
Garden, from ................................................. Geo. Ellwanger.
Gardener’s Chronicle, from ................................ Geo. Ellwanger.
Journal of Cutaneous Diseases, from ...................... Dr. E. B. Angell.
New York Medical Journal, from ........................ Dr. E. B. Angell.
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from ............... U. S Govt.
Post-Express, from .......................................... Publishers.
Pythian Knight, from ........................................ Publishers.
Rochester Globe, from ...................................... Publishers.
Rochester Morning Herald, from ........................ Publishers.
Sanitarian, from ............................................. Henry Lomb.
Union and Advertiser, from ................................ Publishers.
United States Consular Reports, from ...................... U. S. Govt.
Universal Medical Journal, from ........................ Publishers.
Voice, from .................................................. Publishers.
## APPENDIX NO. 5.

STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

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*Library closed during August.

Whole number of readers............... 31,002
Whole number of books drawn............ 25,822
APPENDIX NO. 6

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
(For the year ending Sept. 30th, 1893.)

RECEIPTS.

Appropriations to Library Committee........... $5,500 00
Appropriations to Executive Committee........... 3,000 00

$8,500 00

EXPENDITURES:

Salaries ........................................... $1,900 00
Light repairs and improvements.................. 782 82
Books ............................................. 3,877 46
Periodicals ....................................... 654 04
Binding ........................................... 519 61
Printing ........................................... 188 25
Freight, express, etc................................... 63 17
Postage ........................................... 42 34
Library supplies ................................... 43 04
Cleaning ........................................... 102 88
Sundries ........................................... 1 31
Balance on hand, Executive Committee........... 317 18
Balance on hand, Library Committee............. 7 90

$8,500 00
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Of the

Reynolds Library,

Rochester, N. Y.,

For the Year Ending September 30th, 1894.
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Josiah Anstice,  
Theodore Bacon,  
Arthur Cleveland Coxe,  
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Daniel T. Hunt,  
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Edward M. Moore,  
William C. Morey,  
Howard Osgood,  
Cyrus F. Paine,  
William F. Peck,  
Gilman H. Perkins,  
Samuel Sloan,  
Samuel A. Lattimore,  
Frederick A. Whittlesey.

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Edward Mott Moore.

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George Ellwanger.

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Theodore Bacon.

Secretary:  
Josiah Anstice.

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Samuel A. Lattimore.

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Gilman H. Perkins,  
Josiah Anstice.

Library Committee:  
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Fred. A. Whittlesey,  
Max Landsberg.

Finance Committee:  
Samuel Sloan,  
George Ellwanger,  
Howard Osgood.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS:

Librarian:  
Alfred S. Collins.

Treasurer:  
Josiah Anstice.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee respectfully submit here-with their Ninth Annual report.

During the year just closed the library has, we believe, maintained the steady and healthful growth which has characterized it during the previous years of its brief history. At the last annual report the whole number of volumes in the library was 26,223, of which 14,223 belonged to the reference—department, and 12,000 to the circulating department. During the past year there have been added 2,783 volumes, making the present number 29,006, the reference department containing 15,939 and the circulating—department 13,067.

The statistics of attendance show that there has been a corresponding growth in the use made of the library. The number of persons who have been present in the reading-room during the past year has been 38,217, as against 31,002 for the previous year. This shows an increase of more than 7,000 persons who have taken advantage of the facilities for reading and study afforded by the reading-room.

In selecting the specific subject to be presented in this report, the committee believe that it will not be deemed out of place to indicate to the board the character of the accessions made to the library, and thus to illustrate the principles which have guided them in the selection of the books purchased. The relatively small amount of money placed at the disposal of the committee seems to make it imperative that some principle be adopted to guide them in the choice of books. They have tried to select, in the first place, those reference-books which are necessary for the general use of the library; and, in the next place, those books which are needed to meet the special requirements of readers. The general accessions to the library have been made chiefly in the departments of bibliography, periodicals, society-transactions and collected works.

Bibliography.—The department of bibliographical works, although it cannot be said to be “rich” is fairly well supplied with such works as are necessary to meet the immediate wants of a library
of the size of our own. There have recently been added to this class: The second edition of Sonnenschein's Best Books, which contains an extremely well-selected list of standard books in all branches of literature; also some more extended catalogues, such as the English Catalogue, covering the years from 1835 to 1893; Lorenz's Catalogue General Libraire Française, 12 volumes; and Brunet's Manuel du Libraire, latest edition, 8 volumes; besides some more special works, such as Graesse's Trésor de Livres Rares, 8 volumes; Barbier's Dictionnaire des Ouvrages Anonymes, 8 volumes; Querard's Supercheries Litteraires, 8 volumes; Georg und Ost's Schlagwort Katalog; and Bartlett's Literature of the Rebellion.

Periodicals.—The department of periodicals is one of the most complete and valuable which the library contains, particularly in the matter of American and English reviews. The committee have taken special pains to make this class one which will be worthy of a reference-library, and have availed themselves of every opportunity to increase its resources, especially in the direction of purchasing complete sets of those reviews which are referred to in Poole's Index of Periodical Literature. There have been recently added to this class: The Revue des Deux Mondes, 231 volumes, which complete this great review with the exception of the first series; Fraser's Magazine, 106 volumes; London Quarterly Review, 81 volumes; Scottish Review, 22 volumes; Longman's Magazine, 20 volumes; Archæological Journal, 17 volumes; American Journal of Archaeology, 8 volumes; the Antiquary, 28 volumes; Journal of American Folk Lore, 5 volumes; and Harper's Weekly, 35 volumes.

Society Transactions.—The department of society transactions is very far from being what it should be. The only apology which can be given for the deficiency which exists in this class is the difficulty of obtaining complete sets of transactions, and also the relative inaccessibility of the contents of these books, even when purchased, owing to the fact that there has yet been compiled no available subject-index to this class of literature similar to that of Poole in periodical literature. The committee are, however, trying to obtain the most general and valuable of these collections. During the past year they have purchased the Percy Society Publications, 30 volumes; the Journal of the American Social Science Association, 30 volumes; the English Historical Society Publications, 29 volumes; the Southern Historical Society Papers, 20 volumes; the New Jersey Historical Society
Proceedings, 16 volumes; the Proceedings of the American Climatological Association, 9 volumes; American Antiquarian Society Proceedings, 7 volumes, and the Papers of the American Historical Association, 5 volumes.

Collected Works.—The collected works of standard authors, we believe, constitutes one of the most important parts of a reference-library. Entertaining this opinion, the committee have constantly kept before their minds the necessity of collecting complete sets and the best editions of the works of such authors. Their efforts have hitherto been directed chiefly to the collecting of the works of all standard authors in English literature and English translations of foreign authors. This principle of selection has been adopted for the present not because the committee have depreciated the value of foreign literature, but because the present demand of our readers is mainly restricted to works in English. Many such collections have already been made, including the English poets and a large number of prose writers. The purchases of the past years have included the complete works of Balzac, English translation, 27 volumes; The Bronte Sisters, 12 volumes; Bulwer Lytton, 32 volumes; Burns, 6 volumes; De Foe, 7 volumes; Alexander Dumas, English translation, 48 volumes; Hawthorne, 9 volumes; Holmes, 13 volumes; Hood, 11 volumes; Mrs. Jameson, 21 volumes; Charles Kingsley, 6 volumes; Hugh Miller, 12 volumes; Richardson, 12 volumes; Ruskin, 22 volumes; Sterne, 4 volumes; Charles Sumner, 15 volumes; and Whewell, 13 volumes.

The books already referred to have been purchased for the general uses of the library. But by far the largest number of purchases have been made to meet the requirements of special classes of readers. We believe that this is the most economical, the most judicious and the most satisfactory use which we can make of the funds placed at our disposal. We have tried to ascertain the wants of readers, and we have tried to satisfy these wants. We have not courted the opinion of those persons who presume to know on general principles what a library ought to contain. But we have sought to ascertain and satisfy the actual and specific needs of those persons who are themselves in search of literary aid. We believe that in no instance have we yet been obliged to deny the request of any person for any standard book which has been desired. We have supplied the wants of individuals, and we have also made a special effort to supply the needs of
persons who are organized in clubs and societies for literary purposes. Some of these organizations and the method of supplying their wants we present to your notice.

_University Extension Courses._—Thus far the most important class of organized readers has been made up of those persons who have connected themselves with the University Extension courses. These persons, under the inspiration and direction of their lecturers, have developed a large degree of interest and intelligence in the use of books, and have come to depend upon this library to satisfy their wants. The recent incorporation of this movement into a department in the University of Rochester might suggest that the university-library should be responsible for the supply of the books required by these students. But the fact that this library is more centrally located and thus more accessible to the great majority of readers seems to justify us in assuming the responsibility of providing them with the literary aids which they require. At the beginning of each course of lectures all the books recommended by the lecturer are purchased, if the library does not already contain them, and are set apart in a convenient place in the reading-room, where they can be freely consulted by those students who may so desire.

Professor Charles Forbes has delivered a course of lectures upon "Electricity." For this course there have been purchased about fifty works, including such books as Houston's Electrical Dictionary, Gilbert's De Magnete, Maxwell's Scientific Papers, Tyndall's Researches on Diamagnetism, Thomson's Dynamo-Electric Machinery, Bedell and Crehore's Alternating Currents, Fleming's Alternate Current Transformer, Tesla's Alternate Currents, Plant's Storage of Electrical Energy, Carhart's Primary Batteries, Prescott's Telephone, Fairchild's Street Railways, and Morgan's Electro Physiology.

Professor C. M. Forbes has delivered a course of lectures upon "Money." For this course there have also been purchased about fifty works, including such books as Poor's Money and its Laws, Dunbar's Theory and History of Banking, Gilbart's History of Banking, MacLeod's Theory of Banking, MacLeod's Elements of Banking, Walker's Money Trade and Banking, Patterson's New Golden Age, Goschen's Theory of Foreign Exchanges, Sumner's History of American Currency, Laughlin's History of Bimetallism in the United States, Knox's United States Notes, Laws of the United States relating to Laws, Currency, etc.
For Professor Burton's course of lectures upon "Ancient Roman Life," we have purchased about twenty-five valuable works upon Roman archaeology, such as Lanciani's Ancient Rome, Lanciani's Pagan and Christian Rome, a complete set of Parker's works upon the Archæology of Rome, 12 volumes; Burn's Old Rome; Ihne's History of Rome, 5 volumes, Dyer's History of the City of Rome, Middleton's Remains of Ancient Rome, Seyffert's Dictionary of Classical Antiquities, and the new edition of Smith's Dictionary of Greek and Roman Antiquities.

For Professor Mace's course of lectures upon "American History," we have purchased about sixty volumes, all of which represent the standard literature of this subject. These works, together with those already in the possession of the library, or purchased independently of the recommendation of the lecturer, furnish ample material for a very thorough course of reading and study upon American history.

_Literary Clubs._—The committee are very desirous to encourage the formation of voluntary associations of readers with which the library may come into beneficial relation, and which may require the aid of such literary resources as may be beyond the means of individual persons. There are a considerable number of literary clubs already organized in our city, which are doing most admirable work in the way of intellectual improvement. With some of these the library has already established friendly relations and has furnished them with substantial aid.

One of the most important of these literary associations is the "Roundabout Club," a society of ladies which has been organized for a number of years and which has already established a high literary reputation. The library has already purchased for this club about twenty works, which number we hope will be largely increased by further requests. Among these books are Boysen's Studies in German Literature, Scherer's History of German Literature, Japp's German Life and Literature, Lewes's Life of Goethe, Cousin's Société Française, d' Haussonville's Salon of Madame Necker, Letters of Madame de Remusat, Livat's Precieux et Precieuses, Young's Tour in France, etc.

Another one of these literary societies is the "Biblia Book Club," which has been established for the study of Egyptian antiquities. For the last two years there has been given to this society
valuable literary assistance, which has been received with grateful appreciation by its members. The scholarly character of this club is evident from the nature of the books which have been purchased at its suggestion. Among the thirty or more volumes purchased for its benefit during the past year are Renouf's Book of the Dead, Archæological Survey of Egypt, Perrot and Chipiez's Phœnician Art, Bent's Sacred City of the Ethiopians, Lockyer's Dawn of Astronomy, Bædeker's Egypt, Bliss's Tell el Hesy, Budge's Mummy, Fayoum and Lake Moeris, and the Sarcophagus of Anchnesraneferab.

A club which has been more recently organized is the "Ladies' Historical Club," which has selected for its object the systematic study of American history. The library already contains a large amount of material which is placed at the service of the club. But additional books have been purchased at its request, such books as Peet's Mound Builders, Hale's Iroquois Book of Rites, Kingsford's History of Canada, Weise's Discovery of America, Brinton's American Race, De Costa's Pre-Columbian Discoveries of America; Read's Historical Inquiry Concerning Henry Hudson.

Other clubs, such as the "Traveler's Club," and the "Unity Club," have also been brought into relation with the library and obtained its assistance in accomplishing their several objects. We hope that this list of clubs will be rapidly increased. For we believe that these voluntary associations of readers and students may aid the library in its work of diffusing knowledge and literary culture, and may themselves in turn receive a material assistance, which it would be difficult for them to obtain in any other way.

Special Classes of Readers.—The library has not restricted its aid simply to persons organized in clubs. However desirable such organizations may be, there are classes of persons not thus organized who are in need of literary assistance. Whenever such persons have made their wants known to the committee, we have tried, so far as we have been able, to satisfy their desires. For example we will call attention to two such classes.

A few persons interested in the study of decoration and design expressed the need of some works upon this subject more elaborate than those already contained in the library. In answer to their request and after an examination of a large number of illustrated works submitted for the approval of the committee by several
publishers and booksellers, a collection of such works was made which seemed to satisfy entirely the demands of the applicants. Besides Owen Jones's Grammar of Ornament, already in the possession of the library, there were purchased among other books upon the subject, the great work of Racinet, L'Ornament Polychrome, bound in four vols. folio, Meyer's Hand-book of Ornament, Audsley's La Peinture Murale, Diefenbach's Geometrical Ornamentation, Pastern's Decorations Malereien, Niedling's Kirchliche Decorations Malereien, Rieth's Architektur-Skizzen, and Prisse D'Avesnes's Decoration Arabe.

The musicians of the city have also expressed the wish that the class of books in which they were interested should receive some additions. As a beginning, the committee set apart one hundred dollars for this purpose and placed the selection of books in the hands of a well-known musician, in whose professional ability and scholarly tastes they had great confidence, and who had himself expressed an interest in the growth of the library. Among the books purchased by this fund were Famous Composers, edited by Paine, Thomas and Klauser, Schumann's Music and Musicians, Naumann's History of Music, Stainer and Barrett's Dictionary of Music, Berlioz's Orchestration, Loewe and Schubert's Art Ballad, Wagner's Art Life and Theories, together with standard biographies of Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, Schumann, Schubert, Haydn, Handel, Berlioz, Gounod, Liszt and Wagner,

Monroe County Medical Society.——The relations which were established two years ago between the library and the physicians of Rochester have continued in a way which, we believe, has been satisfactory to both parties. Current medical journals, to the number of sixty have been received and kept on file in the medical reading-room. Also a number of text-books and treatises have been purchased at the request of the library-committee of the medical society. The back periodicals have been bound in accordance with the wishes of that committee.

The specific illustrations which have been given of books purchased under the direction of the library-committee, may not, of themselves, be of any special interest, but they serve to show not only the character of the books purchased, but also the principles which have guided the committee in making a selection of books which would be most useful and satisfactory to those persons whose interest
in the library is evident from their personal attendance and patronage. A large number of books have also been purchased in response to the request of individual readers.

These principles of selection are submitted for your approval. As the income of the library increases, these restricted methods may be supplemented by those which have in view the collection of those prizes and rarities, the acquisition of which is a source of pride to their possessors and of envy to others. But we believe that at present it would be folly to aspire to make our library a literary museum. The philanthropic purposes which prompted its foundation compels us to make a more practical and beneficial use of the funds entrusted to our care.

The library has received by gift the past year 1,111 volumes, and 492 pamphlets. Special acknowledgments are due to the following persons for gifts: Dr. C. A. Dewey, 13 volumes; Drew, Allis & Co., 80 volumes; Hon. H. S. Greenleaf, 194 volumes and 7 pamphlets; Mrs. G. H. Harris, 47 volumes, 7 pamphlets, and several thousand numbers of newspapers and periodicals; F. J. Hone, 120 volumes and 93 pamphlets; The Right Reverend Bishop McQuaid; 4 volumes; New York Academy of Medicine, 40 volumes, 4 pamphlets; H. L. Osgood, 43 volumes and 2 pamphlets; Rev. H. C. Peepels, 30 volumes and 7 pamphlets; Dr. B. J. Preston, 40 volumes; Dr. F. D. Remington, 31 volumes; Rochester Historical Society, 39 volumes and 28 pamphlets; Hon. J. Van Voorhis, 17 volumes and 1 pamphlet; Dr. J. W. Whitbeck, 158 volumes; New York State Government, 24 volumes; United States Government, 139 volumes, 86 pamphlets, and also a large number of unbound periodicals contributed by Max Brickner, F. A. Bryan, Creed & Wilson, Miss S. L. Crouch, Dr. S. W Davidson, Dr. S. R. A. Dolley, and Dr. J. O. Roe.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Morey,
Fred. A. Whittlesey,
Max Landsberg,

Library Committee.
APPENDIX NO. 1.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE READING ROOM.

Academy,
Agricultural Science,
American Architect,
American Gardening,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Politics,
American Journal of Science,
American Naturalist,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Argonaut,
Artist,
 Asiatic Quarterly Review,
Astronomy and Astro-Physics. Athenæum,
Atlantic,
Bibliographie de la France,
Bibliotheca Sacra,
Blackwood,
Bookseller,
Bulletin Mensuel,
Catholic Champion,
Century,
Chautauquan,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Contemporary Review,
Cook’s Excursionist,
Cornhill Magazine,
Cosmopolitan,
Critic,
Cyclopedic Review of Current History,
Decorator and Furnisher,
Delineator,
 Demorest’s Magazine,
 Deutsche Rundschau,
Domestic Monthly,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
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English Historical Review

English Illustrated Magazine,
Furtnightly,
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Garden,
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Good Housekeeping,
Harper’s Bazaar,
Harper’s Monthly,
Harper’s Weekly,
Hospital Leaflet,
Illustrated American,
Illustrated London News,
Illustration,
Illustrierte Zeitung,
International Journal of Ethics,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of Folk Lore,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Journal of the Royal Microscopical Society,
Ladies’ Home Journal,
Library Journal,
Literary News,
Littell’s Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
London Times (Weekly Edition),
MacMillan’s Magazine,
Magazine of American History,
Magazine of Art,
Mind,
Mode de Paris,
Music,
Mode Pratique,
Nation,
Nature,
New Church Review,
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Magazine,
New Jerusalem Review,
New Review,
New World,
NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office,
Our Church Work,
Outing,
Political Science Quarterly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Public Opinion,
Publishers' Circular,
Publishers' Weekly,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Review,
Queen,
Review of Reviews,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Saint Nicholas,

Sanitarian,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement,
Scientific American, Architect's Edition,
Scribner's Magazine,
Season,
Spectator,
U. S. Government Publications,
University Extension,
Weekly Crop Bulletin,
Westermann's Monthly,
Western Electrician,
Westminster Review,
Wiener Mode-Zeitung,
Writer,
Yale Review.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

American Journal of Insanity,
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,
American Monthly Microscopical Journal,
Annals of Hygiene,
Annals of Surgery,
Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,
Archives de Medicine Experimentale,
Archives de Neurologie,
Archives of Ophthalmology,
Archives of Otology,
Archives of Pediatrics,
Australian Medical Journal,
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,
Birmingham Medical Review,
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,
Brain,
Braithwaite's Retrospect,
British Medical Journal,
Buffalo Medical and Surgical Journal,
Canada Lancet,
Chicago Medical Recorder,

Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,
Dublin Journal of Medical Science,
Edinburgh Medical Journal,
Gazette Hebdomadaire de Medicine,
Index Medicus,
Indian Medical Gazette,
International Journal of Surgery,
International Medical Magazine,
Journal of Cutaneous Diseases,
Journal of Laryngology,
Journal of Ophthalmology,
Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases,
Lancet,
Lyon Medicale,
Medical and Surgical Reporter,
Medical News,
Medical Press and Circular,
Medical Record,
Medical Week,
Medico-Legal Journal,
Mercredi Medical,
Montreal Medical Journal,
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,
New York Medical Journal,
Ontario Medical Journal,
Ophthalmic Review,
Practitioner,
Progres Medical,

Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,
Revue de Chirurgie,
Revue de Medicine,
Union Medicale,
Universal Medical Journal,
University Medical Magazine,
Wiener Medizinische Wochenchrift.

APPENDIX NO. 2.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1.) Society Publications.
American Association for the Advancement of Science,
American Economic Association,
American Academy of Political and Social Science,
American Statistical Association,
British Association for the Advancement of Science,
Buffalo Historical Society Reports,
Kansas State Historical Society,
Papers of the American Historical Association,
Peabody Museum Annual Reports,
Rochester Academy of Science,
Royal Geographical Society Journal,
Royal Microscopical Society Journal.

(2.) Libraries and Educational Institutions.
Amherst College,
Apprentice's Library,
Astor Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Chicago Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library,
Cornell University,
Detroit Public Library,
Harvard University,
Jersey City Free Public Library,
Lawrence Public Library,

Leland Stanford, Junior University,
Maimonides Library,
Milwaukee Public Library,
Minneapolis Public Library,
Newberry Library,
New York Free Circulating Library,
Pratt Institute,
Providence Athenæum,
Providence Public Library,
St. Louis Public Library,
Salem Public Library,
San Francisco Public Library,
Toledo Public Library,
University of California,
University of Rochester,
University of the State of New York,
Worcester Public Library,
Yale University,

(3.) U. S. Government.
Board of Geographic Names,
Bureau of American Republics,
Bureau of Education,
Bureau of Labor,
Bureau of the Mint,
Catalogue of Surgeon Generals Library,
Coast Survey,
Commissioner of Agriculture,
Commissioner of Navigation,
NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.


(4.) Agricultural Experiment Stations.

Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station, California " " Connecticut " " Cornell University " " Delaware " " Illinois " " Iowa " " Kansas " " Kentucky " " Maine " " Massachusetts " " Minnesota " " New York " " Ohio " " Oregon " " Pennsylvania Agr. Exper. Station Rhode Island " " Tennessee " " Utah " " Vermont " " Wisconsin " "

(5.) Other Serials.

ANNUALS.


BIENNIALS.


FIVE YEARLY.

American Catalogue, Hinrich's Bücher Catalogue, Poole's Index to Periodicals.
APPENDIX NO. 3.

PERIODICALS WANTED TO COMPLETE SETS.

(Volumes According to Poole's Index.)

American Church Review, vols. 1-32.
American Naturalist, June number of 1889.
Analectic Magazine, vols. 9-12.
Appleton's Journal, all after vol. 16.
Art Journal, all after 1870.
Athenæum, all previous to 1886.
Biblical Repository, all after vol. 22.
Bibliotheca Sacra, vols. 32-42.
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, vols. 1-30 and all after vol. 65.
Braithwaite's Retrospect, vols. 66, 81-90, 92-98, 104-108.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle, vols. 1-5.
Critic, vols. 1-4.
Democrat and Chronicle, vols. 1, 5, 6, 26, 29-31, 45-55.
Horticulturist, vol. 31 and subsequent vols.
Journal of the Franklin Institute, vols. 41, 45, 47, 60, 71, 78-88, 110.
Medical Record, vols. 1-16, 23 and subsequent vols.
Nation, vols. 1-3, 5.
Post Express, vols. 1-6.
Spectator, vols. 1-58.
NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Union and Advertiser, vols. 1-3, 8-12, 16-21, 27-36, 41, 42, 52-62.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS, ETC.
American Institute of N. Y., vols. 1, 2, 4, 10, 16, 23, 25, 30, 33.
American Public Health Association, vols. 2-8.
New York State Bar Association, vols. 1-6, 8-10, 15.
Western New York Horticultural Society, vols. 1-16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 27, 33, 34.

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Creed & Wilson 173 numbers of periodicals.
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Davison, Dr. S. W. 186 numbers of periodicals.
Dolley, Mrs. S. R. A., M. D. 27 numbers of periodicals.
Harris, Mrs. Geo. H. Several thousand newspapers and pamphlets.
Landsberg, Dr. Max 35 numbers of periodicals.
Porter, Miss Maria G. Files of the Christian Register.
Roe, Dr. J. O. 257 numbers of periodicals.
Van Voorhis, Hon. J. 1 Map of the United States.
Whitbeck, Dr. J. W. 708 numbers of periodicals.
Whittlesey, F. A. 4 numbers of periodicals.
Young, W. E. 1 newspaper.

**THE FOLLOWING CURRENT PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS:**

Abenpost and Beobachter, from Publishers.
Agricultural Experiment Station Reports from U. S. Govt.
American Gardening, from Geo. Ellwanger.
Artist, from Alexander Otis.
Catholic Champion, from Publishers.
Congregational Record, from Hon. John Van Voorhis.
Cook's Excursionist, from Publishers.
Democrat and Chronicle, from Publishers.
Garden, from Geo. Ellwanger.
Gardener's Chronicle, from Geo. Ellwanger.
New Church Review, from ........................ Publishers.
Post Express, from ................................. Publishers.
Pythian Knight, from .............................. Publishers.
Rochester Morning Herald, from .................... Publishers.
Sanitarian, from .................................... Henry Lomb.
Union and Advertiser, from ........................ Publishers.
United States Consular Reports, from ............. U. S. Gov't.
APPENDIX NO. 5.

STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

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*Library closed during August.

Whole number of readers .................. 38,217
Whole number of books drawn ............. 26,372
APPENDIX NO. 6.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE
(For the year ending Sept. 30, 1894).

RECEIPTS.
Appropriations to Library Committee $7,760.00

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Total Expenditures: $7,760.00
Tenth Annual Report

Of the

Reynolds Library,

Rochester, N. Y.,

For the year ending September 30th, 1895.

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REFERENCE LIBRARIAN,
GEORGE F. BOWERMAN.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee respectfully submit their Tenth Annual Report.

The year which has just closed has been important chiefly on account of the removal of the Library to its new home on Spring Street. This event has for a long time been looked forward to with much interest, and with much anxiety, attended perhaps with not a little doubt as to the feasibility of removing the Library to a place more distant from the center of the city than that which it had hitherto occupied. The problem of removal was also complicated by the question as to whether a building which was originally constructed as a family mansion could be so modified as to be adapted to the purposes of a well administered library. The terms upon which the Spring Street property was devised to the corporation, made it imperative upon the Board to occupy the property for library purposes, as a condition of the vesting of the estate. The acceptance of the property therefore carried with it the obligation to transfer the Library to the place which its founder had evidently intended as its permanent home. Under these circumstances the Board deemed it expedient to direct the Library Committee to make all the structural changes necessary to adapt the old homestead to its new purpose; and a liberal appropriation was made to effect these modifications.

As the question whether a residence can be suitably changed into a library is a mooted one, it may not be out of place to indicate in a cursory way, the methods and the success which has attained this project in our case. Mr. W. F. Poole, the late librarian of the Newberry Library, once said that he would like no better place for a library than an old-fashioned residence, provided it was large and well lighted. After the experience of the past summer your committee feel disposed to endorse the opinion of Mr. Poole. The Reynolds mansion possessed many features which rendered its transformation feasible. In the first place, it was located in a large lot, with a frontage of 167 feet, and a depth of 430 feet, and was itself a commodious
structure, about 50 feet wide, and running back a distance of 119 feet. Its walls were broad and well laid, and capable of supporting any number of books which could be stored within them. It was well lighted and required little change in the arrangement of its windows.

The building was made up of two distinct parts, the main or front part, comprising three floors, which were occupied by spacious rooms with high ceilings, and a rear part of two stories, occupied by a large number of small rooms. All the structural changes, and those relating to the exterior of the building were made according to the plans, and under the supervision of a professional architect. But all the plans relating to the interior arrangements were drawn by the Library Committee, and executed under their personal supervision. These latter plans were drawn with reference, first of all, to the most convenient arrangements for purposes of administration, and next, to making every part of the Library which should be open to the public, as attractive and as in good taste as our means would permit.

The problem which was first presented to us, was that of constructing a suitable reading or reference room, one which should be spacious, well lighted and attractive to readers. The lower story of the main building in its original form was divided into four large rooms separated by a main hall and vestibule. The walls separating these compartments were removed, four columns being substituted to support the upper floors; the vestibule and main front entrance were displaced by a bay-window, and the side windows were raised so that a continuous series of book-cases could be erected beneath them on the side walls. The whole room was tastefully decorated, and supplied with oak shelving, tables and other furniture, and one corner was reserved for the office of the reference librarian. By these changes we have now a reference room about fifty feet square, of attractive appearance, capable of holding more than 3,000 volumes and accommodating from fifty to seventy-five readers.

Just in the rear of the reference room a delivery room was constructed from the old dining room. Leading into this room was erected the main entrance to the building, approached from the outside through a newly constructed porte-cochère. The interior of the room itself was fitted up with a delivery counter, and other furniture necessary for the purposes for which it was intended. In the rear of the delivery counter the office of the chief librarian was placed in a large alcove, hitherto used as an elevator well. The delivery counter
was so placed that the passage behind it connected the reference room to the stack room in its rear, giving to the librarian easy control over all the most important parts of the building, viz., the reference room, the delivery room and the stack room; and also giving to the attendants ready access to these rooms. The lower stack room was constructed by removing all the partitions in the rear part of the building, and was supplied with suitable cases.

Without going further into details, it may be said that the second story was so arranged as to comprise a small lecture room intended for the meeting of scientific societies, literary clubs, etc., a medical room, a committee room, a cataloguing room, a study room, a ladies' toilet-room and a stack room which is an exact duplicate of the one on the lower floor. The portion of the building hitherto used as a cellar has been reconstructed into a habitable basement, which, besides the boiler room, has been divided into an unpacking room, a work room, and stack rooms suitable for shelving bound newspapers, duplicates, and other books which are not in immediate use. The third story of the main building has been repainted and put in suitable shape for the temporary occupancy of the Rochester Historical Society, according to previous instructions giving to the committee by the Board. By this arrangement the collections of this Society are placed at the service of the Library.

In the whole process of reconstruction the committee have kept before their mind the necessity of rendering the building as fire proof as possible. All the main walls and the principal partitions which are now standing, are of solid brick. The ceilings of the basement and all the walls, partitions and ceilings of the first story, and the rear part of the second story set apart for the storage of books, have been encased in iron lathing, and covered with an extra thick coating of cement. All the woodwork throughout the entire building, including the floors, the windows and door casings, the book cases, counters, etc., has been covered with the most lately approved fire-proof liquid or paint. These precautions have been made under the direct advice and supervision of the Board of Underwriters, who have assured us that the rate of insurance will thus be reduced to the lowest point possible for a building of its class.

The present capacity of the building is estimated to be about 50,000 volumes. By the introduction of stacks into portions of the building which have not thus far been included in the reconstruction,
the capacity of the Library can be increased by 15,000 or 20,000 additional volumes, making a total of 65,000 or 70,000 volumes, which will be adequate for the growth of the Library for many years to come. In this connection it may not be improper to say that the committee have already drawn plans for the construction of supplementary stack rooms, which, with the extensive grounds in the possession of the Library, will afford a means for indefinite expansion. As soon as the new stack rooms were completed, the work of removing the 30,000 volumes was begun. This work was speedily accomplished, the relative location of the books in the various classes, divisions and subdivisions, being in no case disturbed.

When the resolution to transfer the main library to its new location on Spring street had been adopted by the Board, it became an important question with your committee whether the room hitherto occupied as a reading room in the Arcade, might not be profitably utilized for the public benefit. A large number of persons who had previously frequented that room, were readers of the popular magazines, or in search of information which could be supplied by the ordinary encyclopaedias and dictionaries. It was suggested to the committee that the wants of such persons, and of others who might not want to utilize the new library, could be supplied by the establishment in the old place of some kind of popular reading room, containing newspapers from different parts of the country, the ordinary magazines, and a few books for ready reference. Being authorized by the Board to make such an experiment, the committee have established such a room. The old room has been refurnished, and fitted up with the necessary reading desks and tables. More than thirty newspapers have been placed on file, and about fifty magazines and reviews, which are for the most part duplicates, and do not thus enroach upon the number of periodicals in the main library.

This room has been opened to all persons who desire the use of the kind of reading matter which it contains. It is entirely supplementary to the reference room in the main library, and is intended only for the use of those persons who are desirous of access to the more popular class of periodicals. This project is entirely experimental, and its continuance will depend entirely upon the patronage which is given to it. The present subscriptions have been limited to three months, that is, to the first of January, 1896.
Whether such a room is desired by any class of our citizens, can be ascertained only by the attention which is given to it, and the public opinion which is expressed regarding it. Whether any features of it should be curtailed, or any new features added, are still open questions. The suggestion has occurred to the committee, that if the present plan is a success, there might be added to this room, certain books upon history, biography, science, literature, etc., not to be drawn, but to be read in the room which would afford to young men in search of a place to spend their evenings in a profitable way, an opportunity for mental improvement and recreation.

If anyone had any doubts ten years ago as to whether a library projected on the general lines marked out by Mr. Reynolds, and adopted by the Board, which he selected, would prove a success, such doubts would be dissipated by a survey of its history since that time, and of its present condition. We all know that Mr. Reynolds never intended that this library should be a rival of any other library of the city, or should enroach upon fields already occupied. The purely scholastic departments covered by the library of the University, the field of theological learning embraced by the library of the Theological Seminary, and the more popular branches of literature, so well covered by the Central library, which is properly supported by general taxation, were never intended to be infringed upon by the establishment of the Reynolds library. It was the design of the founder, a design which has been steadily held in view by those to whom he intrusted its management, that this library should be by way of eminence a "reference library;" and one which should as far as possible supplement, and not supersede the work done by the other libraries of our city. The general educational purpose which forms the legitimate aim of a reference library, has therefore always been the predominant motive in its organization and administration.

That there is a place for such a library in our city is evident not only from the high grade of intellectual culture which in general characterizes its inhabitants, but also from the practical use which has already been made of the library, and the zealous and growing interest which has been shown in its prosperity. Whatever sallies of spasmodic criticism may have been directed against it have been due either to an excusable ignorance of its true purpose, or to a defective sense of the importance of such a purpose. When we consider the large use which has been made of the library during the past ten years, and the
uniform expressions of gratitude which have attended our efforts to supply the intellectual needs of every honest seeker after truth, we can find no fault with the general appreciation which has been given to the library by all intelligent and genuine lovers of literature.

During the past ten years the growth of the library has been all that could be desired by its most sanguine friends. From an unorganized mass of about 8,000 books, it has steadily increased until it has now on its shelves more than 31,000 volumes. The various departments have been organized in accordance with the most approved and recent methods of library economy. Its staff of administration is at present sufficient to meet all the wants of readers. The attendance in the reference room has gradually increased until the annual average now reaches between 35,000 and 40,000 persons.

Besides the attention paid to individual readers, it has established more or less organized relations with a large number of societies, clubs and classes, pursuing special lines of literary and scientific work. These organizations are invited to register with the reference librarian, with the understanding that the resources of the library will be devoted so far as possible and without infringing upon the wants of other readers, to satisfy their literary needs. To illustrate the extent to which this plan has been successful, we may be excused for enumerating the more important organizations which are at present affiliated with the library, for the purpose of doing scientific or literary work during the coming year. This list will include the university extension classes, comprising Dr. Pattison's class in "The England of the American Revolution;" Professor Gilmore's class in "Shakespeare;" Dr. Webster's class, in "Physiology and Anatomy;" Professor Forbes's class, in "Pedagogy;" also, the following societies and clubs, the Rochester Academy of Science, the Monroe County Pathological Society, the Biblia Book Club, the Ignorance Club, the Literary Club of the lady principals of the public schools, the Reading Club of the Livingston Park Seminary Alumnae Association, the Jewish Women's Club, the Roundabout Club, the Unity Club; also, the following classes in private schools, Mrs. Bliss's class in Egyptian history and sculpture, Mrs. Hall's class in Italian painting and sculpture, and several classes of the Livingston Park Seminary and of Bradstreet's preparatory school. Certain members of the following organizations have also expressed a desire to establish relations with the library; the Catholic
Reading Circles, the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circles, the People's Ethical Society, the Women's Ethical Club, and the Woman's Educational and Industrial Union.

This list is sufficient to indicate the kind of work which the library is now doing and purposes to do in the future. It is hoped that the time is not far distant when the library will establish classes and courses of its own upon subjects which are not elsewhere pursued, and which will exercise a beneficial and liberalizing influence, both direct and indirect, upon the intellectual culture of the community.

To further this work of educational extension which has thus been outlined, the position of reference librarian has recently been filled by the appointment of George F. Bowerman, a graduate of the University of Rochester and of the Albany Library School. His native ability and his intellectual acquirements derived from a thorough course of liberal and technical training, together with his zealous sympathy with the educational aim of the library will, we believe, in connection with the efficient administration of our chief librarian, Mr. Collins, insure the success of this branch of our work.

The committee are fully aware that while our methods of internal organization must be as complete as possible, and our administrative machinery must be kept in the most perfect working order, the final success of our library must depend upon the clearness and persistence with which we keep before our minds the beneficent ends for which it was originally founded. To attain these ends our energies and resources must be extended. No policy of present economy can, we believe, be wise, except so far as it tends to enlarge our means of future usefulness. On account of the exceptional work of the past year, unusual drafts have been made upon the treasury, but we trust, that the results which have been accomplished are sufficient to warrant your approval of the expenditures which have been made, even though they may have exceeded the generous appropriations made by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
FRED A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
Library Committee.
APPENDIX NO. 1.
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

Academy,
Agricultural Science,
American Architect,
American Gardening,
American Journal of Archæology,
American Journal of Science,
American Magazine of Civics,
American Naturalist,
Antiquary,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Astrophysical Journal,
Athenæum,
Atlantic Monthly,
Bibliographie de la France,
Bibliotheca Sacra,
Blackwood's Magazine,
Book Reviews,
Bookseller,
Brick Church Life,
Bulletin Mensuel,
Catholic Champion,
Catholic World,
Century,
Chautauquan,
Citizen,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Commercial Travelers' Home Magazine,
Congressional Record,
Contemporary Review,
Cook's Excursionist,
Cornhill Magazine,
Cosmopolitan,
Critic,
Decorator and Furnisher,
Deutsche Rundschau,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardeners' Chronicle,
Gardeners' Magazine,
Harper's Monthly,
Hospital Leaflet,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Quarterly Review,
International Journal of Ethics,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk-lore,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
L. A. W. Bulletin,
Library Journal,
Lippincott's Magazine,
Literary News,
Littell's Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
Longman's Magazine,
Macmillan's Magazine,
Magazine of Art,
Mind,
Mode Pratique,
Monist,
Monthly Illustrator,
Music,
Nation,
Nature,
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North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
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### Medical Periodicals.
- American Journal of Insanity,
- American Journal of the Medical Sciences,
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- Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,
- Archives de Medicine Experimentale,
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- Australian Medical Journal,
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- Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,
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- Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,
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- Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,
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   American Historical Association, Reports,  
   American Institute of Architects, Proceedings,  
   American Social Science Association, Journal,  
   American Statistical Association, Publications,  
   Archæological Institute of America, Papers,  
   British Association for the Advancement of Science, Reports,  
   Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports,  
   Indian Rights Association, Annual Reports,  
   Kansas State Historical Society,  
   Medical Society of the State of N. Y., Transactions,  
   National Conference for Good City Government, Proceedings,  
   New York State Bar Association, Reports,  

2. **Libraries and Educational Institutions.**
   
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(3.) U. S. Government.

Agriculture, Department of,
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Census Reports,
Coast and Geodetic Survey,
Congressional Record,
Consular Reports,
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Almanach de Gotha,
American Baptist Year Book,
American Church Almanac,
American Trade List Annual,
Annual American Catalogue,
Annual Literary Index,
Annual of the Universal Medical Sciences,
Annual Register,
Appleton's Annual Cyclopedia,
Church of England, Official Year Book,
Congregational Year Book,
Hazell's Annual,
Methodist Year Book,
Minerva Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt,
New York State Clerk's Manual,
New York State Legislative Manual,
New York State Red Book,
Presbyterian Church, Minutes of General Assembly,
Rochester Directory,
Sadlierr's Catholic Directory,
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DAILY.

Albany Journal,
Atlanta Constitution,
Boston Journal,
Brooklyn Eagle,
Buffalo Courier,
Charleston News and Courier,
Chicago Inter-Ocean,
Chicago Times-Herald,
Cincinnati Enquirer,
Denver Times,
Louisville Courier-Journal,
New Orleans Picayune,
New York Evening Post.
New York Herald,
New York Journal of Commerce,
New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,
New York Sun,
New York Times,
New York Tribune,
New York World,
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,
Rochester Herald,
Rochester Post-Express,
Rochester Union and Advertiser,
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
San Francisco Examiner,
Washington Post.

WEEKLY.

Argonaut,
Forest and Stream,

MONTHLY.

Frank Leslie's Weekly,
Harper's Bazaar,
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Illustrated American,
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Judge,
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New York Clipper,
New York Dramatic Mirror,
New York Spirit of the Times,
Public Opinion,
Puck,
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Scientific American,
Scientific American, Supplement,
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McPherson's Political Hand Book,
Rochester Street Directory,
United States Blue Book.

FIVE YEARLY.

American Catalogue,
Hinrich's Bücher Catalog,
Poole's Index to Periodicals.
Grande Dame,  
Harper's Magazine,  
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Jenness Miller Magazine,  
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Lippincott's Magazine,  
McClure's Magazine,  
Mode de Paris,  
Munsey's Magazine,  
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North American Review,  
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Overland Monthly,  
Pall Mall Magazine,  
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Wilmington Institute ...................................... 1
Wisconsin State Historical Society ..................... 2
Worcester Public Library .................................. 1 1
Yale University ............................................. 1 1

Crouch, Miss S. L. ........................................... 12 numbers of periodicals.
Dolley, Mrs. S. R. A. ....................................... 274 numbers of periodicals.
Fish, George T. ............................................... 925 newspapers.
Herriman, Dr. W. J. ......................................... 304 numbers of periodicals.
Humphrey, G. P. .............................................. 324 numbers of periodicals.
Le Boutillier, Rev. G. T. .................................... 196 numbers of periodicals.
Rochester Society of Natural Science .................... 48 numbers of periodicals.
Searing, Dr. Anna H. ....................................... 2 numbers of periodicals.
Slaight, Mrs. M. J. ........................................... 87 numbers of periodicals.
Smith, Franklin ................................................. 105 newspapers.

THE FOLLOWING CURRENT PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS:

Abendpost und Beobachter, from ......................... Publishers.
Agricultural Experiment Station Reports, from ........ U. S. Gov’t.
American Gardening, from ................................. Geo. Ellwanger.
Book Reviews, from ......................................... Macmillan & Co.
Brick Church Life, from ..................................... Brick Church.
Bulletin Mensuel, from ..................................... C. Reinwald et Cie.
Catholic Champion, from .................................... Publishers.
Commercial Travelers’ Home Magazine, from .......... W. M. Butler.
Cook’s Excursionist, from .................................. Publishers.
Democrat and Chronicle, from ............................. Publishers.
Garden, from ................................................. Geo. Ellwanger.
Gardeners’ Chronicle, from ................................ Geo. Ellwanger.
Helena Public Library Bulletin, from ................. Helena Public Library.
Hospital Leaflet, from ..................................... Rochester Homoeopathic Hospital.
Library News-letter, from ................................. Osterhout Free Library.
Library Record, from ....................................... Jersey City Free Public Library.
Minneapolis Public Library Bulletin, from ......... Minneapolis Pub. Library.
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New Haven Free Public Library Bulletin, from New Haven Free Public Library.

New Church Review, from Publishers.

N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from N. Y. State Gov't.


Notes on New Books, from G. P. Putnam's Sons.


Otis Library Bulletin, from Otis Library.

Our Church Work, from Rev. Thomas E. Calvert.

Outlook, from G. F. Bowerman.

Post-Express, from Publishers.

Pythian Knight, from Publishers.

Rochester Herald, from Publishers.

Salem Public Library Bulletin, from Salem Public Library.

Sanitarian, from Henry Lomb.

Springfield City Library Bulletin, from Springfield (Mass.) City Lib'y.

Stevens Indicator, from Stevens Institute of Technology.

Tennessee University Mag., from Tennessee University.

U. S. Consular Reports, from U. S. Gov't.


Union and Advertiser, from Publishers.
### APPENDIX NO. 5.

**STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.**

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<th>By Months</th>
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<td>2,654</td>
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<td>1,314</td>
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<td>February</td>
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<td>930</td>
<td>1,225</td>
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<td>2,942</td>
<td>1,140</td>
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<td>2,637</td>
<td>901</td>
<td>1,077</td>
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<td>May</td>
<td>2,201</td>
<td>644</td>
<td>832</td>
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<td>June</td>
<td>1,993</td>
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<td>511</td>
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<td>2,054</td>
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<td>404</td>
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| Total     | 26,143      | 7,908      | 9,743    | 15,107    |

*Library closed during August and September.

Whole number of readers: 34,051
Whole number of books drawn: 24,850
APPENDIX NO. 6.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.
(For the year ending Sept. 30, 1895.)

RECEIPTS.
Appropriations to Library Committee $9,511.29

EXPENDITURES.
Salaries $2,564.40
Insurance 396.00
Furniture, Fixtures, etc. 75.00
Repairs 12.30
Lighting 180.62
Books 3,334.26
Periodicals 701.57
Binding 1,517.45
Printing 221.90
Postage 28.82
Express, Freight, etc. 71.80
Library Supplies 349.16
Sundries 2.00
Extraordinary Expenses 56.01

$9,511.29
Eleventh Annual Report

of the

Reynolds Library,

Rochester, N. Y.,

for the year ending September 30th, 1896.

Rochester, N. Y.:
Democrat and Chronicle Press,
1896.
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LIBRARY SERVICE.

LIBRARIAN,
ALFRED S. COLLINS.

ASSISTANTS.

Annie Collins,        Cataloguer.
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Lily Stewart,        Circulating Department.
Jessie Stewart,      Circulating Department.
Richard H. D'Olier,  Evening Assistant.
W. W. Wiseman,       Messenger.
John J. Baker,       Janitor.
Helen M. Sprague,    Superintendent, Reynolds Reading Room.
Albertus D. Richards, Assistant, Reynolds Reading Room.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees.

GENTLEMEN:—The Library Committee respectfully submit their Eleventh Annual Report.

In reviewing the work of the past year, the question of paramount interest which presents itself is that which relates to the effect which the removal of the Library to its present location has had upon its general prosperity. The propriety of removing the Library from its old quarters in the Arcade and of transferring it to a place more remote from the centre of the city was seriously questioned by many persons who were interested in its general success. The steady and gratifying growth of the Library at its old place and the theoretical advantages of its central position were urged as considerations too strong to be overlooked. It was believed by some to be more desirable even to forfeit the valuable property on Spring Street than to risk the decreasing attendance which would probably result from the change of location. It will, therefore, be of interest to the Board to know the extent to which the Library has been used during the past year as compared with previous years, so far as its use can be judged from the attendance. The following tabular statement indicates the attendance for the eight successive years previous to the present year:

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<td>September 30, 1894</td>
<td>29,458</td>
<td>8,759</td>
<td>38,217</td>
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<td>September 30, 1895</td>
<td>26,143</td>
<td>7,908</td>
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The decreased attendance during the year ending 1895 was due to the fact that the Library was closed during two months of that year. It will be seen that the largest attendance during any year previous to the year just closed was 38,217. In estimating the comparative
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attendance during the past year it must be remembered that the total attendance has been distributed between the Library on Spring Street and the Reading-room in the Arcade. The attendance at the Library on Spring Street has been during the past year, 23,424 men and 20,863 women, making a total of 44,287 persons, or about 6,000 in excess of the attendance during any previous year. But in addition to this the attendance at the Arcade Reading-room, has been 48,536 men and 5,178 women, making a total of 53,714 persons, or about 15,000 in excess of the largest attendance on the Library during any previous year. The whole attendance upon the Spring Street Library and upon the Arcade Reading-room has been 71,960 men and 26,041 women, making a total of 98,001 persons for both branches of the Library. This fact alone is sufficient to show that the removal of the Library, accompanied as it was by the retention of a reading-room in the old quarters, has not proved detrimental to its general prosperity, so far, at least, as the matter of attendance is concerned.

One of the most important purposes which the Committee have kept in mind has been to make the Library, as far as possible, a seat of literary and scientific culture. The execution of this design has been greatly aided by the facilities afforded by the new Library building. The lecture-room and other rooms have been utilized by placing them at the disposal of literary and scientific clubs and societies, so that the Library has become a meeting place for a number of such associations. During the past year the following organizations have taken advantage of this privilege: The Rochester Academy of Science, the American History Class, the Arethusa Society, the Columbia Circle of the Chautauqua Society, the German Conversation Club, the Ignorance Club, the Lady Principals' Literature Club, the Political Equality Club, the Practitioner's Society and the Round Robin Reading Club. The privilege thus granted has been beneficial both to the societies and to the Library. It has not only afforded to the various clubs a convenient place of meeting, but it has brought them into sympathetic relation with the Library and extended the use of its resources. In addition to the advantage afforded to these clubs by giving them a place of meeting, the Library has also reserved in the Reference-room cases of books for their special use. The following clubs and organizations have also registered with the Library and have received the privilege of the special purchase of books or of reserving books in the Reference-room: The Biblia Club, Mrs. Bliss's Class in Sculpture, Mrs. Hall's
Class in Italian Painting, the Jewish Women’s Club, the Ladies’ Scottish Club, the Roundabout Club, the Unity Club, and the following classes in the University Extension: Dr. Pattison’s class in “England and the American Revolution,” Professor Aldrich’s class in the “History of Music,” Professor Forbes’s class in “Pedagogy,” and Professor Gilmore’s class in “Shakespeare.”

The purchases of the Library have, as far as possible, kept pace with the demand of readers. The number of volumes on the shelves at the last report was 31,237, the present number is 33,451, making an increase of 2,214 volumes.

It may be of interest to make a brief statement regarding the character and success of the new Reading-room in the Arcade. At the beginning of the year there were placed in the room between thirty and forty of the principal newspapers of the country, about thirty of the more popular magazines, and a case of about 250 volumes of the more general reference works. To this room the public has had free access. The appreciation of this feature of the Library is evident, not only from the large attendance (53,714), but also from the excellent decorum which has uniformly been observed on the part of the persons who have frequented the room. The opening of this room was largely a matter of experiment; but the great success and the evident popularity which have attended the experiment are such as to lead the Committee to recommend its continuance during another year.

Notwithstanding the general success of the efforts which the Committee have made to bring the Library into sympathetic and beneficial relation with the reading public, and to make it a centre of literary influence and culture, we believe that still more definite results could be attained in this direction by the establishment of courses of lectures, which would not only be a source of profit to those attending them, but would also be a means of benefiting the Library by encouraging the more extensive use of its resources. The extensive and profitable use of books depends to a great extent upon the excitement of public interest in the contents of books, and the intelligent guidance of the public mind as to the proper mode of utilizing their contents. A course of lectures upon literary, historical or scientific topics, may be so organized and conducted, we believe, as to be made a proper auxiliary to the legitimate work of the Library. With the approval of the Board, the Committee have
already made arrangements for two such courses of lectures for the coming year: the one, a course upon "Biology," by Professor Dodge, and the other, a course upon "American Colonial History," by Mrs. Wm. A. Montgomery. These lectures are intended not merely to expound the subject-matter treated, but also to offer guidance to the literature of the subject, and thus to afford the necessary direction for independent reading and study. On account of the limited capacity of our lecture room, the number of persons attending these lectures must necessarily be restricted, and to insure a regular and appreciative attendance it is proposed to issue tickets of admission at a nominal sum. The well-known ability of the persons chosen as lecturers, and the great benefit which will be derived from the scientific and bibliographical study of the subjects chosen will, we hope, ensure the success of this experiment and encourage the presentation of similar courses in the future.

The Committee have devoted considerable time to the perfection of the mechanics of the Library administration. The catalogue is being put into a form which will greatly facilitate its publication, when such publication is deemed desirable by the Board. The general question of publication and of publishing the catalogue of certain portions of the Library will be presented to the Board at a future time. The work of indexing the catalogue, which will very much aid its use by readers and render its published form more perfect (but which has been delayed during the past year) will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. The new system of shelving books, which dispenses with the unsightly tags that so often disfigure the appearance of the volumes of a library, is being rapidly applied to all the shelves. It is possible that before the close of the coming year new shelving will be required in the room in the rear of the present stack rooms, for the shelving of the public documents, leaving the present stack rooms more available for the future growth of the Library. Plans for this new shelving are now under consideration.

VanVoorhis, 29 vols.; Miss Mary Anthony, 111 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. S. R. A. Dolley, 175 numbers of periodicals; the Genesee Valley Club, 1,730 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. Jonas Jones, 1,359 numbers of periodicals; Miss L. Munger, 238 numbers of periodicals; W. H. Samson, manuscript index to Turner's Holland Purchase; also two copies each of the following Rochester papers from the publishers: Democrat and Chronicle, Post-Express, Rochester Herald, Union and Advertiser, and one copy of the Abendpost und Beobachter.

The Committee desire to express their continued appreciation of the valuable services of the Librarian, Mr. A. S. Collins, and also of the Cataloguer, Miss Annie Collins.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
Committee.
APPENDIX NO. 1.
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

Academy,
American Architect,
American Gardening,
American Historical Review,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Science,
American Magazine of Civics,
American Naturalist,
Antiquary,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Art Journal,
Astrophysical Journal,
Athenæum,
Atlantic Monthly,
Badminton Magazine,
Bibliographie de la France,
Bibliotheca Sacra,
Blackwood’s Magazine,
Book Buyer,
Book Reviews,
Bookseller,
Bookman,
Bulletin Mensuel,
Catholic Champion,
Catholic World,
Century,
Charities Review,
Chautauquan,
Christian Science Journal,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Commercial Travelers’ Home Magazine,
Congressional Record,
Contemporary Review,
Cook’s Excursionist,
Cornhill Magazine,
Cosmopolis,
Cosmopolitan,
Critic,
Cumulative Index,
Current History,
Decorator and Furnisher,

Deutsche Rundschau,
Dial,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardeners’ Chronicle,
Gardeners’ Magazine,
Geographical Journal,
Harper’s Monthly,
Hospital Leaflet,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Quarterly Review,
International Journal of Ethics,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk Lore,
Journal of Geology,
Journal of Political Economy,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Library Journal,
Library Notes,
Lippincott’s Magazine,
Literary News,
Literary World,
Littell’s Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
Longman’s Magazine,
MacMillan’s Magazine,
Magazine of Art,
Mind,
Monist,
Music,
Nation,
Nature,
New Church Review,
New England Historical and Genealogical Register,
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New England Magazine,
New Review,
New World, [Bulletins,
New York State Board of Health
New York State Weather Service
   Bulletins,
Nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Official Gazette of the Patent
   Office,
Our Church Work,
Outing,
Political Science Quarterly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Presbyterian and Reformed Re-
   view,
Public Opinion,
Publishers' Weekly,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Review,

Review of Reviews,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Revue Internationale des Bibli-
   theque, etc.,
St. Nicholas,
Sanitarian,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement,
Scientific American, Architects' Edition,
Scottish Review,
Scribner's Magazine,
Spectator,
Steven's Indicator,
Tennessee University Magazine,
Textile World,
Van Nostrand's Monthly Record,
Westminster Review,
Writer,
Yale Review.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

American Journal of Insanity,
American Journal of the Medical
   Sciences,
American Monthly Microscopical
   Journal,
Annals of Hygiene,
Annals of Surgery,
Archiv für Pathologische Anato-
   mie,
Archives de Medicine Experimentale,
Archives de Neurology,
Archives of Ophthalmology,
Archives of Otology,
Archives of Pediatrics,
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,
Birmingham Medical Review,
Boston Medical and Surgical
   Journal,
Brain,
Braithwaite's Retrospect,
British Medical Journal,
Buffalo Medical and Surgical
   Journal,

Canada Lancet,
Chicago Medical Recorder,
Cincinnati Medical Journal,
Deutsche Medicinische Wochen-
   schrift,
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische
   Medicin,
Dublin Journal of Medical
   Science,
Edinburgh Medical Journal,
Gazette Hebdomadaire de Méde-
   cine,
Index Medicus,
Indian Medical Gazette,
Intercolonial Medical Journal,
International Journal of Surgery,
International Medical Magazine,
Journal of Cutaneous Diseases,
Journal of Laryngology,
Journal of Nervous and Mental
   Diseases,
Journal of Ophthalmology,
Lancet,
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Lyon Médical,  
Medical and Surgical Reporter,  
Medical News,  
Medical Press and Circular,  
Medical Record,  
Medical Week,  
Medico-Legal Journal,  
Montreal Medical Journal,  
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,  
New York Medical Journal,  
New York State Medical Reporter,  
Ophthalmic Review,  
Practitioner,  
Progrés Médical,  
Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,  
Revue de Chirurgie,  
Revue de Médecine,  
State Hospitals Bulletin,  
Therapeutic Gazette,  
Union Médicale,  
Universal Medical Journal,  
University Medical Magazine,  
Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift.

APPENDIX NO. 2.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1.) Society Publications.

American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,  
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,  
American Economic Association, Publications,  
American Historical Association, Papers,  
American Historical Association, Reports,  
American Institution of Architects, Proceedings,  
American Social Science Association, Journal,  
American Statistical Association, Publications,  
Archaeological Institute of America, Papers,  
British Association for the Advancement of Science, Reports,  
Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports,  
Indian Rights Association, Annual Reports,  
Kansas State Historical Society, Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions,  
National Conference for Good City Government, Proceedings,  
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Proceedings,  
New York State Bar Association, Reports,  
Peabody Museum, Annual Reports,  
Rochester Academy of Science, Papers,  
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, Catalogues,  
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Annual Reports,  
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,  
Royal Geographical Society of London, Journal,  
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,  
Society of Naval Architects, Proceedings.

(2.) Libraries and Educational Institutions.

Aguilar Free Library,  
Amherst College,  
Armour Institute of Technology,  
Battle Creek Public Library,  
Belleville Public Library,
Beloit College,  Otis Library,
Boston Public Library, Peoria Public Library,
Bridgeport Public Library, Plymouth Public Library,
Brookline Library, Portland Public Library,
Brooklyn Library, Pratt Institute,
Brown University, Providence Athenaeum,
Buffalo Library, Providence Public Library,
Butte Free Public Library, St. Johnsbury Athenaeum,
Carnegie (Pittsburgh) Library, Saint Louis Mercantile Library
Carnegie (Allegheny) Library Association,
Charleston College, Saint Louis Public Library,
Chicago Public Library, Saint Paul Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library, Salem Public Library,
College of New Jersey, San Francisco Public Library,
Columbia University, Scranton Public Library,
Cornell University, Seattle Public Library,
Council Bluffs Public Library, Springfield City Library,
Detroit Public Library, Syracuse Central Library,
Essex Institute, Syracuse University,
Evanston Public Library, Toledo Public Library,
Everett Public Library, University of California,
Forbes Library, University of Michigan,
Harlem Library, University of Pennsylvania,
Harvard University, University of Rochester,
Helena Public Library, University of the State of New
Jersey City Free Public Library, York,
Lawrence Public Library, University of Wisconsin,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University, Wellesley College,
Leyton (England) Public Library, Wilmington Institute,
Liverpool Public Library, Worcester Public Library,
Maimonides Library, Yale University.
Manchester Museum (Owen's College),
Medford Public Library,
Milwaukee Public Library,
Minneapolis Public Library,
Newberry Library,
New Haven Free Public Library,
New Jersey State Library,
New London Public Library,
New York Apprentices' Library,
New York Free Circulating Library,
New York Society Library,
New York State Library,
Newcastle Upon Tyne Public Library,
Osterhout Free Library,
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Patent Office Gazette,  
Postal Guide,  
Rebellion Record,  
Smithsonian Contributions,  
Smithsonian Miscellaneous Publications,  
Smithsonian Reports,  
Surgeon General’s Library, Catalogue of,  
Treasury, Secretary of the,  

(4.) Agricultural Experiment Stations.

Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station,  
California " "  
Connecticut " "  
Delaware " "  
Illinois " "  
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Massachusetts " "  
New York " "  
Ohio " "  
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Pennsylvania " "  
Rhode Island " "  
U. S. Dept. Agric. " "  
Utah " "  
Vermont " "  
West Virginia " "  
Wisconsin " "  

(5.) Other Serials, Annuals.

Almanach de Gotha,  
American Baptist Year Book,  
American Church Almanac,  
American Trade List Annual,  
Annuaire de l’Economie Politique,  
Annual American Catalogue,  
Annual Literary Index,  
Annual of the Universal Medical Sciences,  
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Whitaker’s Almanack,  
World Almanac,  
Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.  

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McPherson’s Political Hand Book,  
Rochester Street Directory,  
United States Blue Book,  

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American Catalogue,  
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Albany Journal,  
Atlanta Constitution,  
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Buffalo Courier,
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Catholic Champion, from Publishers
Christian Science Journal, from Mrs. L. C. Smith
Commercial Travelers' Home Magazine, from W M. Butler
Cook's Excursionist, from Publishers
Democrat and Chronicle, from Publishers
Educational Gazette, from Publishers
Garden, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Chronicle, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Magazine, from George Ellwanger
Helena Public Library Bulletin, from Helena Public Library
Home Interest, from Publishers
Hospital Leaflet, from Rochester Homöopathic Hospital
Independent, from Miss L. Rumsey
L. A. W. Bulletin, from Geo. F. Bowerman
Library News Letter, from Osterhout Free Library
Library Record, from Jersey City Free Public Library
Literary News, from Publishers
Minneapolis Public Library Bulletin, from Minneapolis Public Library
Missionary, from Publishers
New Church Review, from Publishers
New Haven Public Library Bulletin, from New Haven Public Library
New London Library Bulletin, from New London Public Library
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from N. Y. State Gov't
N. Y. State Weather Service Bulletin, from N. Y. State Gov't
ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from U. S. Gov't
Otis Library Bulletin, from Otis Library
Our Church Work, from Publishers
Post-Express, from Publishers
Pythian Knight, from Publishers
Rochester Health Reports Rochester Board of Health
Rochester Herald, from Publishers
Salem Public Library Bulletin, from Salem Public Library
Sanitarian, from Henry Lomb
Springfield Library Bulletin, from Springfield City Library
State Hospital Bulletin, from Dr. E. H. Howard
Stevens Indicator, from Stevens Institute of Technology
Tennessee University Magazine, from Tennessee University
Textile World, from Publishers
Union and Advertiser, from Publishers
## APPENDIX NO. 5.
### STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

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*Whole number of readers .......................... 98,001

*Whole number of books drawn ...................... 26,126

*During August, the Reynolds Library was open from 2 P. M. to 6 P. M. only; and the Reynolds Reading-room from 10 A. M. to 6 P. M.
APPENDIX NO. 6.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.
(For the year ending Sept. 30, 1896.)

RECEIPTS.
Appropriations to Library Committee .......... $13,200 00

EXPENDITURES.
Salaries ........................................ $4,799 02
Insurance ........................................ 285 41
Furniture, Fixtures, etc .......................... 762 96
Repairs and Maintenance ......................... 540 34
Heating ........................................... 253 35
Lighting ............................................ 420 63
Water Supply ........................................ 26 04
Books ............................................. 3,024 06
Periodicals ........................................ 738 58
Binding ............................................ 482 07
Printing ............................................ 242 61
Postage ............................................ 19 00
Express, Freight, etc ............................ 89 94
Library Supplies .................................. 589 02
Sundries ............................................ 98 57
Extraordinary Expenses ......................... 167 20
Medical Room ...................................... 257 83
Balance Unexpended ............................... 403 37

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Of the

Reynolds Library,

Rochester, N. Y.

For the Year Ending September 30th, 1897.

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Max Landsberg,  
Henry F. Burton.

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LIBRARY STAFF

LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
WILLIAM C. MOREY.

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DEPARTMENTS.

Anne R. Collins,                        Cataloguing Department.
Julia A. Hopkins,                       Reference Department.
Lily E. Stewart,                        Circulating Department.
Jessie A. Stewart,                      Circulating Department.
Richard H. D'Olier,                     Shelving Department.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM. (123 Reynolds Arcade.)

Helen M. Sprague,                       Superintendent.
Albertus D. Richards,                   Assistant.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—The Library Committee respectfully submit their Twelfth Annual Report.

In the report which was submitted to the Board at its last annual meeting, a specific statement was made regarding the comparative attendance upon the Library during the year then closed, and that of previous years. This statement was made for the purpose of estimating the effect which the removal of the Library had produced upon its usefulness. It was shown that during the period of seven years, from 1888 to 1895, the attendance had increased from 12,242 to 34,051, and that during the next year, 1895-96, that is, the year after the removal of the library, the attendance had increased from 34,051 to 98,001. This fact seemed sufficient to show that the usefulness of the Library had not been impaired, but had rather been increased, by the greater facilities which were afforded by its new location. But if it then appeared doubtful to any, whether such a sudden increase was an indication of a permanent and normal growth, or whether it was not due to exceptional and temporary causes, such a doubt must be dispelled by the record of the year just closed. This record shows an increase of attendance from 98,001 to 117,995, or a gain of nearly 20,000. This fact alone is sufficient to show the permanent place which the Library has come to hold in the community, and the extent to which its efforts are appreciated by the public.

To meet this growing appreciation, those having in charge the administration of the Library have not diminished their efforts to increase its usefulness, and to supply the intellectual needs of the community. At the last annual report, the whole number of volumes catalogued and shelved, was 33,451; at present the total number of volumes is 35,534, making an increase of 2,083 during the past year. The purchase of books, as in previous years, has been made largely to supply the wants of readers and students, so far as those wants have been expressed.
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But the real progress of the Library is to be seen not merely in the increase of the attendance and the number of volumes placed upon the shelves, but in the more intelligent use which has been made of the books, and the closer relation which has been established between the Library and the reading public. In no previous year has there been shown a more intelligent judgment in the choice of books drawn, or a greater interest in the work of the Reference-room. The daily average attendance upon the Reference-room has been nearly 200, and the Reference Librarian has been continually kept busy in assisting readers and students, in selecting books and in supplying bibliographical aid for the pursuit of special lines of investigation.

The most marked improvement in the work of the Library is shown in the more cordial and effective relationship which has come to be established with reading classes, literary clubs, and scientific societies, throughout the city. By the permission which has been given to such organizations to hold their meetings in the Library rooms, and by other kinds of assistance which have been afforded to them in the purchase of books, and the reserving of books in the Reference-room for their benefit, the Library has come to be more and more a recognized intellectual center. During the past year, there have been thirty-three clubs and other literary and scientific societies which have been affiliated with the Library. Nineteen of these have held regular meetings in the Library building, and the others have received special assistance and encouragement in their work. On account of the important relation which this kind of assistance bears to the general work of the Library, it has been thought proper to append to this report, the names of the various organizations which have been affiliated with the Library during the past year.

In accordance with the suggestion made at the last annual meeting, there were organized two library classes, or courses of lectures, under the immediate supervision of the Library; the one upon Biology, conducted by Professor Dodge, and the other upon American Colonial History, conducted by Mrs. Wm. A. Montgomery. The work which has been done by these lecturers has been in every respect satisfactory and the courses themselves have been highly appreciated by those who have attended them. But the attendance upon the lectures has not been what it should be, and the nominal price charged for the ticket has not been sufficient to meet the expenses incurred. On
account of the decreased income of the Library during the coming
year, it is doubtful whether this experiment should be continued, at
least until there is evident a greater desire for its repetition than at
present seems to exist.

One of the most important subjects which affects the interests of
every library that has passed the initial stages of its growth, is the
question of a printed catalogue. The great and continued incon-
venience which attends the use of a card catalogue, seems to render
the necessity of a printed catalogue, sooner or later, imperative. But
the fact that a catalogue, as soon as it is published, becomes out of
date by the accession of new books, is regarded by some as a serious
objection to printing it at all. The alternative thus seems to be
presented, either of not printing a catalogue at all, or of printing one
which must be more or less incomplete. Since this library was
established primarily for reference purposes, and on account of the
fact that it is being used more and more for such purposes, it has
been thought best to print a "Reference Catalogue," which should
contain a complete list of books in the Reference Department proper,
together with those books in the Circulating Department which were
believed to be useful for reference purposes. The line which separates
these two departments, must in many respects be an arbitrary one.
Many works, the character of which would warrant their being placed
in the Reference-room, are excluded from lack of shelf space there,
but are nevertheless very useful for consultation. To render the
catalogue as complete as possible, such books have been inserted in
their proper classes in the reference catalogue. That the catalogue
may be kept up to date with more ease and economy, the experiment
has been made of printing it by means of the "linotype," which in
addition to decreasing the expense of the original edition will it is
believed greatly facilitate the insertion of new entries in subsequent
editions.

During the past year the New York State Library Association
held its annual meeting in the city of Rochester; and the Reynolds
Library, in connection with the Central Library, was permitted to
extend its aid and hospitality to that distinguished body. During the
session there was presented for discussion an important subject which
seriously concerns the interests of this institution, namely, the recent
State law which abolishes the previous exemption from taxation of
library property, when it is in the form of real estate. The intention
of this law was no doubt a laudable one; that is, to prevent the excessive accumulation of untaxable property in the hands of private corporations. When a corporation is performing a work which does not lie within the legitimate functions of the State, there is no logical reason why the property of such a corporation should be exempted from taxation; such exemption, when it is made, must be based upon considerations of policy, rather than of justice. But when a corporation is doing a kind of work which does lie clearly within the functions of the State, such a corporation acquires a quasi-public character; and if its work is beneficial, its endowments should, by the requirements of reason and justice, be exempted from taxation. To tax such endowments is equivalent in effect to the State's taxing its own public institutions. The support of the free library is everywhere recognized as one of the important duties resting upon public authority. The State taxes its citizens to maintain this important educational institution. In twenty-seven cities of the United States, ranging from 50,000 to 500,000 in population, nearly $203.00 for every 1000 persons are raised by public taxation for the support of free libraries. These libraries are doing precisely the kind of work which is done by the Reynolds Library, and are no more free in the distribution of their services to the public. To tax the public for the support of some libraries, and at the same time to tax other libraries for the support of the public, when both are equally free and beneficial to the community at large, is an inconsistent and discriminating exercise of authority, which seems opposed alike to reason and public policy.

This law involves a discrimination which is especially injurious to the Reynolds Library, because nearly every other endowed library in the State has its property in the form of invested funds, and does not feel the burden of this law. But the property of this library is entirely in the form of real estate, and consequently suffers an exceptional burden. Indeed, the fact that the Reynolds Library is about the only free library in the State thus situated, brings this enactment almost within the species of special legislation.

It is also worthy of notice that the effect of this law is not only to curtail the available resources of the library itself, but to abridge seriously the library facilities enjoyed by the citizens of Rochester. Without the Reynolds Library, the library facilities afforded to the city of Rochester fall far below those enjoyed by the average
American city. Springfield, Mass., with a population of 51,000, raises by tax about $24,000 annually for library purposes; Minneapolis, with a population of 164,000, about $52,000; Worcester, with a population of 98,000, about $28,000; Indianapolis, with a population of 105,000, about $20,000; Omaha, with a population of 140,000, about $20,000; while Rochester, with a population of 150,000, raises about $3,000. Every encroachment, therefore, which is made upon the resources of the Reynolds Library, imposes an obligation upon the city of Rochester to lay an additional tax, if the city would approximate to the standard set by the other cities of the country. It seems only necessary to point out the discriminating character and serious effects of this law, to induce every public-spirited citizen to seek a modification of its provisions. So far as they apply to any corporate library which is entirely free to the public and which employs its income solely for a public cause, which the State itself supports by taxing its own citizens.


Dated, Rochester, October 1, 1897.

FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
HENRY F. BURTON,
Library Committee.
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APPENDIX NO. 1.

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY.

Those meeting at the Library.

American History Class ........................................ Fortnightly.
Arethusa Society ................................................ Fortnightly.
Chautauqua Circle ............................................... Weekly.
College Women’s Club ........................................... Monthly.
Daughters of the American Revolution ....................... Quarterly.
Engineering Section of the Roch. Acad. of Science .... Twice a month.
English Poetry Class (Miss Strong’s) ....................... Twice a month.
Lady Principals of the Rochester Public Schools ........ Twice a month.
Political Equality Club ........................................ Monthly.
Political Science Study Class ................................ Fortnightly.
Rochester Academy of Science ................................ Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society ................................ Bi-monthly.
Round Robin Reading Club .................................... Fortnightly.
St. Joseph’s Literary Club ..................................... Twice a month.
Shakespeare Club ............................................... Weekly.
Sons of the American Revolution ............................ Yearly.
Tennyson Club .................................................. Weekly.
Tor Club ......................................................... Monthly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance.

Mrs. Bliss’s Class in Sculpture.
Council of Jewish Women.
Miss Hakes’s Shakespeare Class.
Mrs. Hall’s Art Classes.
Jewish Women’s Club.
Ladies’ Scottish Club.
Mechanics’ Institute Classes in Cooking and Nursing.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Travelers’ Club.
Unity Club.
University Extension, Music Class.
University Extension, Bible Class.
Mrs. Wile’s Literary Class.
Woman’s Educational and Industrial Union.
APPENDIX NO. 2.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

Academy,
American Architect,
American Colonial Tracts,
American Gardening,
American Historical Review,
American Homes,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Science,
American Journal of Sociology,
American Naturalist,
Antiquary,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Art Journal,
Astrophysical Journal,
Athenæum,
Atlantic Monthly,
Badminton Magazine,
Bibliotheca Sacra,
Blackwood's Magazine,
Book Buyer,
Book Reviews,
Bookman,
Bookseller,
Bulletin Mensuel,
Catholic Champion,
Catholic World,
Century,
Charities Review,
Chautauquan,
Christian Science Journal,
Church Quarterly Review,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Contemporary Review,
Cook's Excursionist,
Cornhill Magazine,
Cosmopolis,
Cosmopolitan,
Critic,
Cumulative Index (Cleveland Public Library),
Current History,
Decorator and Furnisher.

Deutsche Rundschau,
Dial,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Gazette,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardener's Chronicle,
Gardener's Magazine,
Harper's Monthly Magazine,
Harvard Graduates' Magazine,
Home Magazine,
Hospital Leaflet,
Hospital Review,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Quarterly Review,
Independent,
International Journal of Ethics,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk Lore,
Journal of Geology,
Journal of Political Economy,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Library Journal,
Library Notes,
Library Record,
Lippincott's Magazine,
Literary Digest,
Literary News,
Literary World,
Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
Longman's Magazine,
Macmillan's Magazine,
Magazine of Art,
Men,
Mind,
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ENGINEERING PERIODICALS.


MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Appendix No. 3.

Society Transactions and Similar Publications Regularly Received.

(1.) Society Publications.

American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Economic Studies,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Historical Association, Papers,

American Historical Association, Reports,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Archaeological Institute of America, Papers,
Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports,
Franklin Institute, Journal,
Harvard Graduates, Magazine,
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Indian Rights Association, Reports,
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports,
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections,
Medical Association of Central New York, Reports,
Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions,
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports,
Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports,
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports,
National Museum, Reports,
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Proceedings,
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports,
New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,
New York State Board of Health, Reports,
Peabody Museum, Reports,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Journal,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Transactions.

(2.) Libraries and Educational Institutions.

Aguilar Free Library,
Amherst College,
Armour Institute of Technology,
Baillies Institution of Glasgow,
Battle Creek Public Library,
Belleville Public Library,
Beloit College,
Boston Public Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Brookline Library,
Brooklyn Library,
Brown University,
Buffalo Public Library,
Carnegie (Allegheny) Library,
Carnegie (Pittsburgh) Library,
Chicago Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library,
Columbia University,
Cornell University,
Council Bluffs Public Library,
Detroit Public Library,
Drexel Institute,
Evanston Public Library,
Everett Public Library,
Forbes Library,
Gloversville Public Library,
Grosvenor Public Library,
Hartford Public Library,
Harvard University,
Helena Public Library,
Jersey City Public Library,
Lawrence Public Library,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
Leyton Public Library,
Liverpool Public Library,
Maimonides Library,
Manchester Museum (Owen's College),
Milwaukee Public Library,
Minneapolis Public Library,
Mount Holyoke College,
New Haven Public Library,
New Jersey State Library,
New London Public Library,
New York Apprentices' Library,
New York Free Circulating Library,  
New York Society Library,  
New York State Library,  
Newark Public Library,  
Newberry Library,  
Newcastle upon Tyne Public Library,  
Osterhout Free Library,  
Otis Library,  
Paterson Public Library,  
Peoria Public Library,  
Philadelphia Public Library,  
Plymouth Public Library,  
Portland Public Library,  
Pratt Institute,  
Princeton University,  
Providence Athenæum,  
Providence Public Library,  
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association,  
St. Louis Public Library,  
St. Paul Public Library,  
Salem Public Library,  
San Francisco Public Library,  
Scranton Public Library,  
Seattle Public Library,  
Springfield City Library,  
Syracuse Central Library,  
Taunton Public Library,  
Toledo Public Library,  
University of California,  
University of Michigan,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
University of Rochester,  
University of the State of New York,  
University of Wisconsin,  
Waltham Public Library,  
Wellesley College,  
Wilmington Institute,  
Worcester Public Library,  
Yale University.

Civil Service Commission,  
Coast and Geodetic Survey,  
Consular Service,  
Currency, Comptroller of,  
Education, Bureau of,  
Geological Survey,  
Interior Department,  
Internal Revenue, Department of,  
Interstate Commerce Commission,  
Labor, Bureau of,  
Life Saving Service,  
Marine Hospital Service,  
Mint, Bureau of,  
National Museum,  
Navigation, Bureau of,  
Patent Office,  
Public Documents, Department of,  
Rebellion Record,  
Rolls and Library, Bureau of,  
Smithsonian Institution Publications,  
Statistics, Bureau of,  
Surgeon General's Library, Catalogue of,  
Treasury Department,  
War Department.

(4.) Agricultural Experiment Stations.

Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station,  
California " "  
Connecticut " "  
Delaware " "  
Illinois " "  
Iowa " "  
Kentucky " "  
Massachusetts " "  
New York " "  
Ohio " "  
Oregon " "  
Rhode Island " "  
U. S. Dept. Agric. " "  
Utah " "  
Vermont " "  
West Virginia " "  
Wisconsin " "

(3.) U. S. Government.
Agriculture, Department of,  
American Republics, Bureau of,  
Census Bureau,
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(5.) Other Serials.

ANNUALS,
Almanach de Gotha,
American Book Prices Current,
American Trade List Annual,
Annuaire de l' Economie Politique
Annual American Catalogue,
Annual Literary Index,
Annual of the Universal Medical
Sciences,
Annual Register,
Appleton's Annual Cyclopædia,
Book Sales,
British Almanac and Companion.
Cumulative Index,
Hazell's Annual,
Minerva, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten
Welt,
N. Y. State Clerk's Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Poor's Manual of Railroads,
Rochester Directory,
Statesman's Year Book,
Tribune Almanac,
Union and Advertiser Year Book,
U. S. Official Postal Guide,
Whitaker's Almanac,
World Almanac,
Year Book of Scientific and
Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS.
McPherson's Political Hand Book,
Rochester Street Directory,
United States Blue Book (Official
Register).

FIVE YEARLY.
American Catalogue,
Hinrich's Bücher Catalog,
Poole's Index to Periodicals.

APPENDIX NO. 4.
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM.
Room 123 Reynolds Arcade.

DAILY,
Albany Journal,
Atlanta Constitution,
Boston Transcript,
Brooklyn Eagle,
Buffalo Courier,
Charleston News and Courier,
Chicago Inter-Ocean,
Chicago Times-Herald,
Denver Rocky Mountain News,
Louisville Courier-Journal,
New Orleans Picayune,
New York Evening Post,
New York Herald,
New York Journal of Commerce,
New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,
New York Sun,
New York Times,
New York Tribune,
New York World,
Philadelphia Press,
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,
Rochester Herald,
Rochester Post-Express,
Rochester Union and Advertiser,
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
San Francisco Examiner,
Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY.
American Magazine of Civics,
Arena,
Argonaut,
Argosy,
Art Interchange,
Century,
Chautauquan,
Cosmopolitan,
Current History,
Delineator,
Demorest's Magazine,
Eclectic Magazine,
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| Engineering and Mining Journal, | New York Clipper, |
| Forest and Stream, | New York Dramatic Mirror, |
| Forum, | North American Review, |
| Godey's Magazine, | Outing, |
| Good Housekeeping, | Overland Monthly, |
| Harper's Bazar, | Pall Mall Magazine, |
| Harper's Magazine, | Peterson's Magazine, |
| Harper's Weekly, | Popular Science Monthly, |
| Illustrated American, | Progress of the World, |
| Illustrated London News, | Public Opinion, |
| Iron Age, | Puck, |
| Judge, | Queen, |
| Ladies' Home Journal, | Review of Reviews, |
| L. A. W Bulletin, | Scientific American, |
| Leslie's Monthly, | Scientific American Supplement, |
| Leslie's Weekly, | Scribner's Magazine, |
| Lippincott's Magazine, | Season, |
| London Times (weekly), | Spirit of the Times, |
| Lotos, | Toilettes, |
| McClure's Magazine, | Travelers' Official Railway Guide, |
| Mode de Paris, | Truth, |
| Morning Star, | Voice, |
| Munsey's Magazine, | Western Electrician, |
| Nation, | Wiener Mode Zeitung, |

APPENDIX NO. 5.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY, 1896-97.

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<td>REYNOLDS LIBRARY.</td>
<td>REYNOLDS READING-ROOM.</td>
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<td>1896-97.</td>
<td>4,828</td>
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<td>August,*</td>
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<td>September,</td>
<td>51,609</td>
<td>66,386</td>
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Whole number of readers... 117,995
Whole number of books drawn... 32,757

*During August, the Reynolds Library was open from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. only; and the Reynolds Reading-room from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. only.
# APPENDIX NO. 7

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

(For the Year Ending Sept. 30, 1897.)

## EXPENDITURES.

<table>
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<th>Item</th>
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<td>Salaries</td>
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<td>Electric Lantern</td>
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**Total** $12,231.69
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OF THE

REYNOLDS LIBRARY,

ROCHESTER, N. Y

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1898.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.
DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE PRESS,
1898.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Josiah ANSTICE,
Theodore Bacon,
George Ellwanger,
Max Landsberg,
Samuel A. Lattimore,
Edward M. Moore,
Gilman H. Perkins,
Samuel Sloan,

Frederick A. Whittlesey,
Cyrus F. Paine,
William F. Peck,
Rufus A. Sibley,
Julius M. Wile,
Erickson Perkins,
Henry F. Burton,
William R. Taylor.

GENERAL OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT,
Edward Mott Moore.

1st VICE-PRESIDENT,
George Ellwanger.

SECRETARY,
William F. Peck.

Treasurer,
Josiah Anstice.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
Theodore Bacon,
Samuel A. Lattimore,
Cyrus F. Paine,
Gilman H. Perkins,

PROPERTY COMMITTEE.
William R. Taylor.

Library Committee.
Frederick A. Whittlesey,
Max Landsberg,

Finance Committee.
Samuel Sloan,

George Ellwanger,

Building Committee.
Rufus A. Sibley,

Julius M. Wile,

Erickson Perkins,
LIBRARY STAFF.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
WILLIAM C. MOREY.

LIBRARIAN,
ALFRED S. COLLINS.

DEPARTMENTS.

Anne R. Collins,
Cataloguing Department.

Julia A. Hopkins,
Reference Department.

Lily E. Stewart,
Circulating Department.

Jessie A. Stewart,
Circulating Department.

Richard H. D'Olier,
Shelving Department.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (123 Reynolds Arcade.)

Helen M. Sprague,
Superintendent.

Albertus D. Richards,
Assistant.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee respectfully submit their Thirteenth Annual Report.

At the last annual meeting there were reported as catalogued and placed upon the shelves of the Library 35,534 vols. Of these 19,516 vols. were in the Reference Department and 16,018 vols. in the Circulating Department. During the past year there have been added to the Reference Department 3,095 vols., increasing this department to 22,611 vols.; and there have been added to the Circulating Department 1,063 vols., increasing this department to 17,081 vols. The total number of additions have been 4,158 vols., making the present number of volumes 39,692.

The steady growth of the Library during the past few years has so encroached upon the shelving capacity of the old stack-rooms as to require new space for the shelving of books. To meet this requirement, the Committee presented to the Board a few months ago a statement regarding the condition of the Library in respect to shelf-room, and a plan for the extension of the Library building. The space devoted to shelves up to this time had been the rear part of the old Reynolds residence, which had been deprived of its partitions, and made as suitable for shelving purposes as circumstances would permit. This improvised stack-room has fairly well served its purpose; but as the time approached to enlarge the building, the Committee believed it judicious to prepare a general plan of expansion, which would meet all the demands of the future, and in accordance with which each successive addition to the Library building should be made. They knew how often it had been the case that libraries had outgrown their original quarters, and had suffered serious embarrassment by not having adequately provided for future development. Many libraries have been obliged to dispose of their old quarters and seek for new and more commodious homes, or to
undergo considerable unnecessary expense in reconstructing their old buildings. The present grounds upon which our Library is situated are sufficiently ample to afford all the space necessary for the storage of books, which so far as we can now judge will ever be required.

In beginning, therefore, to enlarge the building, the Committee believed it was the part of wisdom and economy to proceed in accordance with some systematic plan which would permit of indefinite extension without the necessity of reconstruction. Considerable time and thought have been devoted to the development of such a plan. By this plan which has been approved by the Committee, and which has been presented in outline to the Board, the stack-rooms of the Library can be built in sections as they may be required; and at each stage of their construction, they will present a systematic and convenient arrangement of stacks, which can be added to as occasion may require.

The present addition to the Library, which has been authorized by the Board, and which is now practically completed, is in the form of a wing, 32 ft. long and 31 ft. wide, two stories in height, with a commodious basement. This wing forms the unit of construction, which may be indefinitely repeated. It is constructed entirely of fireproof material, with walls thick enough to sustain, if necessary, another story. It contains a single stack-room on either floor, each one of which will contain six double cases and two half wall cases, seven feet high and twenty feet in length. On the front of each room is a space seven feet wide, extending from side to side, and affording an approach to the shelves sufficiently ample to accommodate tables for special students. Reckoning 25 books for each shelf 39 inches long, each press of seven shelves will hold 175 vols. Each stack of twelve presses will hold 2,100 vols., and each room of seven stacks will hold 14,700 vols.; making the capacity of the stacks on the two floors 29,400 vols. In addition to the regular stacks, each floor also contains 4 wall presses, which increases the total shelving capacity of the new wing to 30,400 vols. If the number of books in the Library continues to increase no more rapidly than in the past, the present addition will afford shelf accommodation for eight or ten years. The method of extending the Library in the future is indicated by a succession of plans which have been drawn under the supervision and approval of the Committee.
The increase of the shelving capacity of the Library naturally suggests a question in respect to the selection of the new books which are to be added to the Library in the immediate future. The Committee have never lost sight of the purpose of the founder of this institution, that the Library was intended to be a library of standard literature adapted primarily to purposes of reference. While a large proportion of the books are loaned to the residents of Rochester to be read at their homes, the limits of our income will not, we believe, permit us to aspire to do all the work which is ordinarily done by a free circulating library, supported by public taxation. This will be apparent when one considers the income which is usually received by the free public library supported by municipal taxation. The income of the Worcester Public Library last year was $32,942; of the Minneapolis Public Library, $61,608; of the Providence Public Library, excluding borrowed money, $86,499; of the Buffalo Public Library, $76,825; of the Detroit Public Library, $54,497; of the Newark Public Library, $37,646; of the Jersey City Public Library, $50,527. It is evident that however desirous the Board might be to give to the city all the library facilities that are given by the public libraries of other cities, which are supported by taxation, such a result is beyond the means afforded by our library endowment. In other words, it cannot be expected that this library can take the place and do all the work of the ordinary city library which is maintained at public expense.

It thus becomes necessary for us to keep constantly in mind the legitimate field of library work which can fairly be expected of us. This field was quite clearly marked out by the founder of the library himself, and embodied in the terms of the charter. It includes for the most part that kind of educational work which can be performed by granting to the public free access to the standard literature of the world. To perform this work it is necessary that this library should be, as far as possible, a collection of standard literature, containing a fair representation of the various branches of human knowledge.

The Committee have never lost sight of this fundamental conception of the Library. In working out this idea they have hitherto directed their attention to the purchase of those standard books which were directly needed by individuals, clubs, and other organized societies; and it is not their purpose in the future to lose sight of these direct
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needs. But the time seems to have come when it is necessary to devote some attention to filling up the lacune in many departments which have fallen behind others and which need to be supplied to preserve the symmetrical growth of the Library as a representative collection of standard literature. Many classes are at present fairly well supplied with representative books, such as the classes of Bibliography, Encyclopædias, Periodicals, Natural Science, Political and Social Science, American History, Biography, English Essays, Poetry, and Fiction. But there are other classes which need to be supplied with standard works, such as the classes of Philosophy, Mathematical and Physical Science, Education, European and Oriental History, Geography and Travels, the Useful and Fine Arts. The Committee therefore purpose to adopt in the future more systematic methods, not only to supply the present need of readers and students, but to maintain the symmetrical growth of the Library as a collection of representative literature, valuable for purposes of reference.

The work of the Library during the past year has, we believe, been equal to that done in previous years. The friendly relation between the Library and the various literary clubs and scientific societies of the city has been maintained. Nineteen societies have held their regular meetings in the Library building, while to thirteen others have been given special assistance. The Library has made arrangements with the Rochester Engineering Society similar to that already made with the Monroe County Medical Society—agreeing to duplicate the money furnished by the society for the purchase of books in its special line of work.

The attendance at the Library has been in every respect encouraging, reaching 49,411 at the Library on Spring Street, and 62,196 at the Reading Room in Reynolds Arcade; making a total attendance of 111,607. The use which has been made of the Reading Room has been very gratifying as regards the character of the readers, and the benefit which the public seems to derive from the access which has been afforded to periodical literature of the day.

The total number of gifts received during the past year and shelved has been 2,793 volumes and pamphlets. Among these the following are worthy of special notice: From Miss Susan B. Anthony, 6 vols. and 13 pamphlets; Hon. H. C. Brewster, 8 vols. and 5 pamphlets; Bela S. Buell, 24 vols.; Judge G. F. Danforth, 284 vols.; Dr,
C. A. Dewey, 19 vols.; The Drew Allis Co., 70 vols.; Dr. W. S. Ely, 33 vols. and 2,966 pamphlets; the Hon. Charles E. Fitch, 19 vols. and 9 pamphlets; Mrs. Henry Griffith, 46 vols.; Miss Julia Griffith, 13 vols. and 36 pamphlets; George P. Humphrey, 647 vols. and 151 pamphlets; Miss C. A. Jones, 26 vols.; Dr. W. B. Jones, 15 vols.; Emil Kuichling, 60 vols. and 8 pamphlets; New York Academy of Medicine, 869 vols.; New York State Government, 133 vols.; J. C. Powers, 27 vols.; Dr. W. S. Rambo, 39 vols. and 5 pamphlets; Rochester Pathological Society, 29 vols.; United States Government, 619 vols.; F. A. Whittlesey, 40 vols.; Miss Boardman, 391 numbers of periodicals; Genesee Valley Club, 399 numbers of periodicals; George P. Humphrey, 296 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. Jonas Jones, 946 numbers of periodicals; S. D. Lee, 512 numbers of periodicals; Dr. W. S. Rambo, 208 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. Franklin Smith, 88 numbers of periodicals; also two copies each of the following Rochester papers from the publishers: Democrat and Chronicle, Post-Express, Rochester Herald, Union and Advertiser, and one copy of the Abendpost und Beobachter.

Dated, Rochester, October 1, 1898.

FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
HENRY F. BURTON,

Library Committee.
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APPENDIX NO. 1.

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY.

Those Meeting at the Library.

American History Class........................................ Fortnightly.
Arethusa Society.................................................. Fortnightly.
College Women's Club........................................... Monthly.
Cornell Women's Association................................. Monthly.
Daughters of the American Revolution....................... Quarterly.
Eistophos Club...................................................... Weekly.
English Poetry Class (Miss Strong's)......................... Twice a month.
German Literary Society...................................... Monthly.
Lady Principals of the Rochester Public Schools........... Twice a month.
Latin Class (Miss McCarthy).................................. Twice a week.
Political Equality Club........................................ Monthly.
Rochester Academy of Science................................ Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society................................ Quarterly.
Round Robin Reading Club.................................... Fortnightly.
Sons of the American Revolution......................... Yearly.
Tennyson Club...................................................... Weekly.
Thackeray Club.................................................... Weekly.
Theosophical Society........................................... Weekly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance.

Mrs. Bliss's Art Classes.
Bradstreet, J. H., History Class.
Chautauqua Circle.
Council of Jewish Women.
Mrs. Hall's Art Classes.
Ladies' Scottish Club.
Mechanics' Institute Classes.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Roundabout Club.
Traveler's Club.
Unity Club.
University Extension History Class.
Women's Missionary Society.
APPENDIX NO. 2.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

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Magazine of Art,
Men,
Mind,
Missionary Review,
Monist,
Municipal Affairs,
Music,
Nation,
Nature,
New Church Review,
New England Historical and Genealogical Register,
New England Magazine,
New World,
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletins,
N. Y. Weather Service Bulletins,
Nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office,
Our Church Work,
Outing,
Outlook (American),
Outlook (English),
Poet Lore,
Political Science Quarterly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Public Opinion,
Publisher's Circular,
Publisher's Weekly,
Punch,
Putnam's Historical Magazine,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Review,
Review of Reviews,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Rochester Board of Health Reports,
St. Nicholas,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American, Supplement,
Scientific American, Builders' Edition,
Scottish Review,
Scribner's Magazine,
Sound Currency,
Spectator,
Spirit of '76,
Stevens Indicator,
Tablet,
Tennessee University Record,
Textile World,
University Extension Journal,
Van Nostrand's Monthly Record,
Westermann's Monthly,
Westminster Review,
Writer,
Yale Review.

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS.

American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
Engineering News,
Engineering Record,
Journal of Assoc. of Engineering Societies,
Journal of the Western Society of Engineers,
Locomotive Engineering,
Paving and Municipal Engineering,
Proceedings of Engineer's Club of Philadelphia,
Railroad Gazette,
Street Railway Journal.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

American Journal of Insanity,
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,
American Monthly Microscopical Journal,
Annals of Surgery,
REYNOLDS LIBRARY.

Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,
Archives de Médecine Experimentale,
Archives de Neurologie,
Archives of Ophthalmology,
Archives of Otology,
Archives of Pediatrics,
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,
Birmingham Medical Review,
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,
Brain,
Brathwaite's Retrospect,
British Medical Journal,
Buffalo Medical and Surgical Journal,
Canada Lancet,
Canada Practitioner,
Chicago Medical Recorder,
Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,
Dublin Journal of Medical Science,
Edinburgh Medical Journal,
Gazette Hebdomadaire de Médecine,
Index Medicus,
Indian Medical Gazette,

Intercolonial Medical Journal,
International Journal of Surgery,
International Medical Magazine,
Journal of the American Medical Association,
Journal of Cutaneous Diseases,
Journal of Laryngology,
Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases,
Journal of Ophthalmology,
Lancet,
Lyon Médical,
Medical and Surgical Reporter,
Medical News,
Medical Press and Circular,
Medical Record,
Medico-Legal Journal,
Montreal Medical Journal,
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,
New York Medical Journal,
Ophthalmic Review,
Practitioner,
Progrés Médical,
Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,
Revue de Chirurgie,
Revue de Médecine,
Sanitarian,
Therapeutic Gazette,
University Medical Magazine,
Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift.

APPENDIX NO 3.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Economic Studies,

American Economic Association, Publications,
American Historical Association, Papers,
American Historical Association, Reports,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Archæological Institute of America, Papers,
Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports,
Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports,
College Settlements Association, Annual Reports,
Franklin Institute, Journal,
Hartford Medical Society, Transactions,
Harvard Graduates, Magazine,
Indian Rights Association, Reports,
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports,
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections,
Medical Association of Central N. Y., Reports,
Medical Society of the State of N. Y., Transactions,
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports,
Military Service Institution, Journal,
Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports,
Monroe Co. Medical Society, Reports,
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports,
National Museum, Reports,
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Proceedings,
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports,
New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Reports,
New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,
New York State Board of Health, Reports,

Oneida Historical Society, Reports,
Peabody Museum, Reports,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Rochester Pathological Society, Reports,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Journal,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,
State Charities Aid Association, Reports,
Volta Bureau, Reports,
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Transactions.

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions.

Aguilar Free Library,
Amherst College,
Armour Institute of Technology,
Belleville Public Library,
Bellevue Hospital Alumni,
Beloit College,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston Public Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Brookline Library,
Brooklyn Library,
Brown University,
Buffalo Public Library,
Carnegie (Allegheny) Library,
Carnegie (Pittsburgh) Library,
Chicago Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library,
Columbia University,
Cornell University,  
Detroit Public Library,  
Enoch Pratt Library,  
Evanston Public Library,  
Everett Public Library,  
Forbes Library,  
Girard College,  
Gloversville Public Library,  
Grosvenor Public Library,  
Hartford Public Library,  
Hartford Theological Seminary,  
Harvard University,  
Jersey City Public Library,  
John Crerar Library,  
Lawrence Public Library,  
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,  
Liverpool Public Library,  
Maimonides Library,  
Manchester Museum (Owen's College),  
Milwaukee Public Library,  
Minneapolis Public Library,  
Mount Holyoke College,  
New Haven Public Library,  
New Jersey State Library,  
New London Public Library,  
New York Apprentices' Library,  
New York Free Circulating Library,  
New York Society Library,  
New York State Library,  
Newark Public Library,  
Newberry Library,  
North Carolina State Library,  
Osterhout Free Library,  
Otis Library,  
Paterson Public Library,  
Peoria Public Library,  
Philadelphia Public Library,  
Plymouth Public Library,  
Portland Public Library,  
Pratt Institute,  
Princeton University,  
Providence Athenæum,  
Providence Public Library,  
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association,  
St. Louis Public Library,  
St. Paul Public Library,  
Salem Public Library,  
San Francisco Public Library,  
Scranton Public Library,  
Springfield City Library,  
Syracuse Central Library,  
Taunton Public Library,  
Toledo Public Library,  
Toronto Public Library,  
University of California,  
University of Chicago,  
University of Michigan,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
University of Rochester,  
University of Tennessee,  
University of the State of New York,  
University of Vermont,  
University of Wisconsin,  
Vassar College,  
Wellesley College,  
Wilmington Institute,  
Worcester Public Library,  
Yale University.

(3) U. S. Government.

Agriculture, Department of,  
American Republics, Bureau of,  
Census Bureau,  
Civil Service Commission,  
Coast and Geodetic Survey,  
Consular Service,  
Currency, Comptroller of,  
Education, Bureau of,  
Geological Survey,  
Interior Department,  
Internal Revenue, Department of,  
Interstate Commerce Commission,  
Labor, Bureau of,  
Life Saving Service,  
Marine Hospital Service,  
Mint, Bureau of,  
National Museum,  
Navigation, Bureau of,  
Patent Office,  
Public Documents, Department of,
Rebellion Record,
Rolls and Library, Bureau of,
Smithsonian Institution Publications,
Statistics, Bureau of,
Surgeon General’s Library, Catalogue of,
Treasury Department,
War Department.

(4) Agricultural Experiment Stations.
Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station, “ “
California “ “
Connecticut “ “
Delaware “ “
Illinois “ “
Iowa “ “
Kentucky “ “
Massachusetts “ “
New York “ “
Ohio “ “
Oregon “ “
Rhode Island “ “
U. S. Dept. Agric. “ “
Utah “ “
Vermont “ “
Wisconsin “ “

(5) Other Serials.
ANNUALS,
Almanach de Gotha,
American Book Prices Current,
American Trade List Annual,
Annuaire de l’ Economie Politique
Annual American Catalogue,
Annual Literary Index,
Annual of the Universal Medical Sciences,

Annual Register,
Appleton’s Annual Cyclopædia,
Book Sales,
British Almanac and Companion,
Cumulative Index,
Hazel’s Annual,
Labor Annual,
Minervia, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt
N. Y. State Clerk’s Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, Index,
Poor’s Manual of Railroads,
Rochester Directory,
Statesman’s Year Book,
Tribune Almanac,
Union and Advertiser Year Book,
U. S. Official Postal Guide,
Whitaker’s Almanac,
Who’s Who,
World Almanac,
Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS.
McPherson’s Political Hand Book,
Rochester Street Directory,
United States Blue Book (Official Register).

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American Catalogue,
Hinrich’s Bücher Catalog,
Poole’s Index to Periodicals,
Reference Catalogue (English).
APPENDIX NO. 4.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM.

Room 123, Reynolds Arcade.

Albany Journal,  
Atlanta Constitution,  
Boston Transcript,  
Brooklyn Eagle,  
Buffalo Courier,  
Charleston News and Courier,  
Chicago Inter-Ocean,  
Chicago Times-Herald,  
Denver Rocky Mountain News,  
Detroit Free Press,  
Louisville Courier-Journal,  
New Orleans Picayune,  
New York Evening Post,  
New York Herald,  
New York Journal of Commerce,  
New York Mail and Express,  
New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,  
New York Sun,  
New York Times,  
New York Tribune,  
Philadelphia Press,  
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,  
Rochester Herald,  
Rochester Post-Express,  
Rochester Union and Advertiser,  
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,  
San Francisco Examiner,  
Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY.

Arena,  
Argonaut,  
Argosy,  
Atlantic,  
Art Interchange,  
Century,  
Chautauquan,  
Cosmopolitan,  
Costume Royal,  

Current History,  
Delineator,  
Demorest’s Magazine,  
Eclectic Magazine,  
Engineering and Mining Journal,  
Forest and Stream,  
Forum,  
Godey’s Magazine,  
Good Housekeeping,  
Harper’s Bazar,  
Harper’s Magazine,  
Harper’s Weekly,  
Illustrated American,  
Illustrated London News,  
Iron Age,  
Judge,  
Ladies’ Home Journal,  
L. A. W Bulletin,  
Leslie’s Monthly,  
Leslie’s Weekly,  
Lippincott’s Magazine,  
London Times (Weekly),  
McClure’s Magazine,  
Mode de Paris,  
Morning Star,  
Munsey’s Magazine,  
Nation,  
New England Magazine,  
New York Clipper,  
New York Dramatic Mirror,  
North American Review,  
Outing,  
Overland Monthly,  
Pall Mall Magazine,  
Peterson’s Magazine,  
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American Monthly Magazine, from ................................ George P. Humphrey
Book Reviews, from ................................ Publishers
Boston Public Library Bulletin, from ................................ Boston Public Library
Brookline Library Bulletin, from ................................ Brookline Public Library
Bulletin Mensuel, from ................................ Publishers
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Bulletin of Bibliography, from Boston Book Co.
Canadian Practitioner, from Publishers
Carnegie Library Bulletin, from Pittsburgh Carnegie Library
Catholic Champion, from Publishers
Columbia University Library Bulletin, from Columbia University
Cook's Excursionist, from Publishers
Courrier du Livre, from George P. Humphrey
Democrat and Chronicle, from Publishers
Educational Gazette, from Publishers
Essex Antiquarian, from George P. Humphrey
Garden, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Chronicle, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Magazine, from George Ellwanger
Grosvener Library Bulletin, from Grosvenor Library
Home Magazine, from Publishers
Hospital Leaflet, from Rochester Homœopathic Hospital
Hospital Review, from Rochester City Hospital
Independent, from Miss L. Rumsey
Library News Letter, from Osterhout Free Library
Library Record, from Jersey City Public Library
Literary News, from Publishers
Men, from Publishers
Minneapolis Library Bulletin, from Minneapolis Public Library
Morning Star, from Publishers
New Church Review, from Publishers
New Haven Library Bulletin, from New Haven Public Library
New London Library Bulletin, from New London Public Library
New York Public Library Bulletin, from New York Public Library
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Weather Service Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
Newark Library Bulletin, from Newark Public Library
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from U. S. Government
Otis Library Bulletin, from Otis Library
Our Church Work, from Publishers
Paterson Library Bulletin, from Paterson Public Library
Post-Express, from Publishers
Putnam's Historical Magazine, from George P. Humphrey
Pythian Knight, from Publishers
Rochester Health Reports, from Rochester Board of Health
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Rochester Herald, from Publishers
Salem Library Bulletin, from Salem Public Library
San Francisco Library Bulletin, from San Francisco Public Library
Sanitarian, from Henry Lomb
Scranton Library Bulletin, from Scranton Public Library
Sound Currency, from Publishers
Spirit of '76, from George P. Humphrey
Springfield Library Bulletin, from Springfield City Library
Stevens Indicator, from Stevens Institute of Technology
Tablet, from Publishers
Tennessee University Record, from Tennessee University
Textile World, from Publishers
Union and Advertiser, from Publishers
U. S. Consular Reports, from U. S. Government
U. S. Public Documents Catalogue, from U. S. Government
University Extension Journal, from Publishers
Voice, from Publishers
Waltham Library Bulletin, from Waltham Public Library
APPENDIX NO. 6.

STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>BY MONTHS.</th>
<th>ATTENDANCE.</th>
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<td>REYNOLDS</td>
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<td>2,577</td>
<td>551</td>
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Whole number of readers.................................. 111,607
Whole number of books drawn................................ 35,919

*During August, the Reynolds Library was open from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. only; and the Reynolds Reading-Room from 12 m. to 6 p.m. only.
APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

(For the Year Ending Sept. 30, 1898.)

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries .................................................. $ 5,864 50
Fixtures, Furniture, etc. .................................. 78 15
Repairs and Maintenance ................................ 393 28
Heating ...................................................... 304 80
Lighting ...................................................... 392 02
Water Supply .............................................. 11 61
Books .......................................................... 1,428 30
Periodicals .................................................. 760 92
Binding ...................................................... 684 29
Printing ..................................................... 793 79
Postage ...................................................... 36 65
Express, Freight, etc. ...................................... 55 90
Library Supplies .......................................... 137 14
Sundries .................................................... 2 00
Expended from Medical Fund .............................. 253 90
Expended from Engineer's Fund .......................... 300 51

$ 11,497 76
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REYNOLDS LIBRARY,

ROCHESTER, N. Y

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1899.

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 1899.
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Cyrus F. Paine,
William F. Peck,
Rufus A. Sibley,
Julius M. Wile,
Erickson Perkins,
Henry F. Burton,
William R. Taylor,
Albert H. Harris.

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Edward Mott Moore.

1st Vice-President,
George Ellwanger.

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Theodore Bacon.

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Samuel A. Lattimore,
William R. Taylor.

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Josiah Anstice,
Julius M. Wile.

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Frederick A. Whittlesey,

Max Landsberg,
Henry F. Burton.

Finance Committee,
Samuel Sloan,

George Ellwanger,
Albert H. Harris.

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Julius M. Wile,
Erickson Perkins.
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LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
WILLIAM C. MOREY.

LIBRARIAN,
ALFRED S. COLLINS.

DEPARTMENTS.

Anne R. Collins, Cataloguing Department.

Lily E. Stewart, Reference Department.

Jessie A. Stewart, Circulating Department.

Richard H. D'Olier, Circulating Department.

Shelving Department.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (123 Reynolds Arcade).

Helen M. Sprague, Superintendent.

Albertus D. Richards, Assistant.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—The Library Committee herewith submit their Fourteenth Annual Report.

At the last annual report there were catalogued and shelved 39,692 vols. of which 22,611 vols. were in the Reference Department and 17,081 vols. were in the Circulating Department. There have been added to the Library during the past year by purchase and gift 2,445 vols., increasing the Reference Department to 23,715 vols. and the Circulating Department to 18,422 vols., making the total number at the date of the present report 42,137 vols.

The total number of persons using the Library, whose names are carried on its register of borrowers is 10,654. Besides this, a large number of persons have been present in the Library Reference Room and in the Arcade Reading Room, whose names do not appear on the register of borrowers.

The attendance upon the Library has been maintained up to the general average standard, although the number has not quite reached that of the last two years. This shows that the attendance is affected somewhat by such efforts as have been employed in previous years to draw readers to the Library. The discontinuance of the special lecture courses which were formerly intended to stimulate the reading of books and to increase the use of the Library has been apparent in the attendance. It is no doubt true that the number of readers could be increased by the re-establishment of such lecture courses. But as these courses were not self-sustaining, it is doubtful whether they should be revived at present, at least while the charitable purposes of the Library are hampered by the obligation to pay taxes from which other libraries doing a similar work are exempted. It is the opinion of the Committee that the inequitable nature of this tax is so apparent that continued efforts should be made, in conjunction with other libraries, to have the law so modified as to bear equally upon all libraries which are equally free to the public.
The improvements which have been made to the Library building have not only added to the capacity needed for the storing of books but have greatly aided in the work of administration. As long as the space was limited it was difficult to carry out the system of classification on the shelves which was originally designed. But during the past year this system has been carefully applied to books on the shelves so that the books have been more systematically arranged and made more available for use. This system has been applied to nearly all the classes of the Circulating Department; and remains to be applied to the department of Public Documents and to the collection of newspapers. The files of the newspapers are being collated and all deficiencies recorded, so that it will be easy to determine whether or not the Library contains any particular number without the laborious necessity of consulting the files each time a number is needed.

In the work of completing the classification on the shelves the attention of the Committee has been called to the relative condition of the different classes, and especially to those classes which are deficient and need to be supplied with proper literature. While not ignoring the wants of general readers and students it is believed that some special attention can be paid to the relative proportion of the Library and to the filling up of those classes which are inadequately supplied with books. With this in mind a systematic plan has been adopted which involves the preparation of classified bibliographies in those departments which are defective; from which purchases can be made as the means of the Library will permit. Some attention has, for example, been paid during the year toward supplying the department of Philosophy with standard and recent literature. Other deficient departments will in turn receive similar attention—such departments as Physical Science, Sociology, Oriental History, South American History, Foreign Literature and the Fine Arts. The Library has purchased Kürschner's Deutsche National Litteratur in 221 vols., which is itself almost a complete library of German Literature. The purchase of similar works in other literatures so far as they may be published would form valuable accessions to the literary classes. The department of Useful Arts has also received some special attention, not only to fill up apparent gaps in this branch of literature, but also to meet the needs of the organized Society of Engineers which has come into affiliation with the Library.
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The relations established between the physicians of the city and the Library continue to be maintained to the general satisfaction of both parties. The recent organization of the Rochester Academy of Medicine will, it is believed, create a new interest on the part of the leading members of the profession in the Medical Department of the Library. The periodical literature in this department has already attained fair proportions and affords a good opportunity for medical students to keep up with the most recent discoveries in the science.

The Library continues its friendly relations with the various literary clubs and scientific societies throughout the city. The great success which has attended this branch of our work is an evidence of the wisdom of the policy approved by the Board to give encouragement to organized bodies of readers and students. The custom of reserving from the shelves of the Library books which may be used for reference by these clubs is not only a benefit to the clubs themselves, but also greatly extends the usefulness of the books thus placed at the disposal of a considerable body of persons at once.

The work of the Reference Department has been conducted with much success during the year. Many reference-lists have been prepared upon important current topics, some of which have been published in the city papers. These lists have been useful in guiding the reading of many persons who otherwise would either have done no reading at all or else would have been drifting about in an aimless way. The importance of the work of the reference-librarian can hardly be overestimated. She is the active medium between the library and the reading public — requiring a knowledge not only of the literary resources of the library but also of the literary needs of readers — directing not only the minds of individual readers by means of personal counsel but also the larger currents of thought by means of reference-lists and literary bulletins prepared for various classes of readers. In a library like our own the final efficiency of the whole institution must depend to a great extent upon the mental ability, the literary acquirements, the courtesy and tact of the reference-librarian. With full appreciation of the work hitherto done it is not too much to say that there remains much to be done to bring this part of the Library administration up to the ideal which we have set before us.
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The Library has received a considerable number of gifts, the most important of which are as follows: From Mrs. W. Alling, 712 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. R. D. Andrews, 17 vols. and 68 numbers of periodicals; W. H. H. Barton, 13 vols. and 13 pamphlets; Dr. James Beahan, 8 vols. and 1,384 numbers of periodicals; The Drew-Allis Co., 69 vols.; Dr. W. S. Ely, 236 vols., 224 pamphlets, 338 numbers of periodicals and 5 maps; Mrs. Charles E. Fitch, 54 vols.; Mrs. Frederic Geare, 122 vols. and 275 numbers of periodicals; Hon. D. J. Hill, 57 vols. and 74 pamphlets; Geo. P. Humphrey, 266 vols. and 178 pamphlets; J. L. Humphrey, 101 vols.; Dr. David Little, 10 vols., 4 pamphlets and 621 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. R. M. Myers, 84 vols.; New York Academy of Medicine, 235 vols.; New York State Government, 47 vols. and 6 pamphlets; C. F. Paine, 101 vols.; C. Walter Smith, 26 vols.; Franklin Smith, 84 pamphlets and 98 numbers of periodicals; United States Government, 86 vols. and 165 pamphlets; E. F. Wellington, 29 vols. and 46 pamphlets; F. A. Whittlesey, 32 vols. and 3 pamphlets; also two copies each of the following Rochester papers from the publishers: Democrat and Chronicle, Post-Express, Rochester Herald, Union and Advertiser, and one copy of the Abendpost und Beobachter.

This report is supplemented by the usual appendices, giving detailed statistics regarding the work of the Library.

Dated, Rochester, October 1, 1899.

FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
HENRY F. BURTON,

Library Committee.
APPENDIX NO. 1.

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY.

Those Meeting at the Library.

Arethusa Society ........................................... Fortnightly.
College Women's Club .................................... Monthly.
Cornell Women's Association ............................ Monthly.
Eistophos Club ............................................. Weekly.
Lady Principals of the Rochester Public Schools ... Twice a month.
Latin Class (Miss McCarthy) ............................ Twice a week.
Political Equality Club ................................... Monthly.
Rochester Academy of Medicine ........................ Monthly.
Rochester Academy of Science ........................... Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society ............................ Quarterly.
Sons of the American Revolution ....................... Yearly.
Tennyson Club ............................................... Weekly.
Thackeray Club ............................................ Weekly.
Theosophical Society ....................................... Weekly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance.

Mrs. Bliss's Art Classes.
Bradstreet, J. H., History Class.
Brick Church Institute Classes.
Chautauqua Circle.
Council of Jewish Women.
Mrs. Hall's Art Classes.
Ladies' Scottish Club.
Mechanics Institute Classes.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Round Robin Reading Club.
Roundabout Club.
Traveler's Club.
Unity Club.
University Extension History Class.
Women's Missionary Society.
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APPENDIX NO. 2.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

Academy,
American Architect,
American Colonial Tracts,
American Gardening,
American Historical Review,
American Homes,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Science,
American Journal of Sociology,
American Monthly Magazine,
American Naturalist,
Antiquary,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Art Amateur,
Art Journal,
Astrophysical Journal,
Athenæum,
Atlantic Monthly,
Badminton Magazine,
Bibliotheca Sacra,
Blackwood’s Magazine,
Book Buyer,
Book Reviews,
Bookman,
Bookseller,
Bulletin Mensuel,
Bulletin of Bibliography,
Catholic Champion,
Catholic World,
Century,
Charities Review,
Chautauquan,
Christian Science Journal,
Christian Science Sentinel,
Church Quarterly Review,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Contemporary Review,
Cook’s Excursionist,
Cornhill Magazine,
Cosmopolitan,
Courrier du Livre,
Critic,
Cumulative Index,
Current History,
Deutsche Rundschau,
Dial,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Gazette,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Essex Antiquarian,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardener’s Chronicle,
Gardener’s Magazine,
Harper’s Magazine,
Harvard Graduate’s Magazine,
Hospital Leaflet,
Hospital Review,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Review,
Independent,
International Journal of Ethics,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk Lore,
Journal of Geology,
Journal of Political Economy,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Library Journal,
Library News Letter,
Library Record,
Literary News,
Literary World,
Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
Longman’s Magazine,
Macmillan’s Magazine,
Magazine of Art, 
Mind, 
Missionary Review, 
Monist, 
Municipal Affairs, 
Music, 
Nation, 
Nature, 
New Church Review, 
New England Historical and Genealogical Register, 
New England Magazine, 
New World, 
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletins, 
N. Y. Weather Service Bulletins, 
Nineteenth Century, 
North American Review, 
Notes and Queries, 
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, 
Our Church Work, 
Outing, 
Outlook (American), 
Outlook (English), 
Poet Lore, 
Political Science Quarterly, 
Popular Science Monthly, 
Public Opinion, 
Publisher's Circular, 
Publisher's Weekly, 
Punch, 
Putnam’s Historical Magazine, 
Pythian Knight, 
Quarterly Journal of Economics, 
Quarterly Review, 
Review of Reviews, 
Revue des Deux Mondes, 
Rochester Board of Health Reports, 
St. Nicholas, 
Saturday Review, 
Science, 
Scientific American, 
Scientific American, Supplement, 
Scientific American, Builders' Edition, 
Scottish Review, 
Scribner's Magazine, 
Sound Currency, 
Spectator, 
Stevens' Indicator, 
Tablet, 
Textile World, 
University Extension Journal, 
Van Nostrand's Monthly Record, 
Westermann's Monthly, 
Westminster Review, 
Writer, 
Yale Review.

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS.

American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions, 
Engineering News, 
Engineering Record, 
Journal of Assoc. of Engineering Societies, 
Journal of the Western Society of Engineers, 
Locomotive Engineering, 
Paving and Municipal Engineering, 
Proceedings of Engineer's Club of Philadelphia, 
Railroad Gazette, 
Street Railway Journal.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Albany Medical Annals, 
American Journal of Insanity, 
American Journal of the Medical Sciences, 
American Monthly Microscopical Journal, 
Annals of Surgery, 
Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie, 
Archives de Médecine Expérimentale, 
Archives de Neurologie,
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Archives of Ophthalmology,  
Archives of Otology,  
Archives of Pediatrics,  
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,  
Birmingham Medical Review,  
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,  
Brain,  
Braithwaite's Retrospect,  
British Medical Journal,  
Canada Lancet,  
Chicago Medical Recorder,  
Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,  
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,  
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,  
Dublin Journal of Medical Science,  
Edinburgh Medical Journal,  
Gazette Hebdomadaire de Médecine,  
Index Medicus,  
Indian Medical Gazette,  
Intercolonial Medical Journal,  
International Journal of Surgery,  
International Medical Magazine,  
Journal of the American Medical Association,  
Journal of Laryngology,  
Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases,  
Journal of Ophthalmology,  
Lancet,  
Lyon Médical,  
Medical News,  
Medical Press and Circular,  
Medical Record,  
Medical Review of Reviews,  
Medico-Legal Journal,  
Montreal Medical Journal,  
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,  
New York Medical Journal,  
Ophthalmic Review,  
Practitioner,  
Progrés Médical,  
Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,  
Revue de Chirurgie,  
Revue de Médecine,  
Sanitarian,  
Therapeutic Gazette,  
Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift.

APPENDIX NO. 3.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,  
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,  
American Economic Association, Economic Studies,  
American Economic Association, Publications,  
American Historical Association, Papers,  
American Historical Association, Reports,  
American Medical Association, Journal,  
American Social Science Association, Journal,  
American Statistical Association, Publications,  
Archæological Institute of America, Papers,  
Bellevue Hospital, Society of Alumni, Transactions,  
Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports,  
Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports,
College Settlements Association, Annual Reports, 
Fabian Society, Publications, 
Franklin Institute, Journal, 
Hartford Medical Society, Transactions, 
Harvard Graduates, Magazine, 
Indian Rights Association, Reports and publications, 
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports, 
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections and Reports, 
Medical Association of Central N. Y., Reports, 
Medical Society of the State of N. Y., Transactions, 
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports, 
Military Service Institution, Journal, 
Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports, 
Monroe Co. Medical Society, Reports, 
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports, 
National Museum, Reports, 
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Proceedings, 
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports, 
New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Reports, 
New York Historical Society, Collections, 
New York State Bar Association, Reports, 
New York State Board of Health, Reports, 
Oneida Historical Society, Reports, 
Peabody Museum, Reports, 
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications, 
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics Institute, Catalogue, 
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports, 
Rochester Historical Society, Publications, 
Rochester Pathological Society, Reports, 
Royal Geographical Society of London, Journal, 
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal, 
Smithsonian Institution, Publications, 
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions, 
State Charities Aid Association, Reports, 
Volta Bureau Reports, 
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Transactions. 

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions.

Aguilar Free Library, 
Amherst College, 
Armour Institute of Technology, 
Baillie's Institution Library, 
Belleville Public Library, 
Beloit College, 
Blackburn Free Library, 
Boston Museum of Fine Arts, 
Boston Public Library, 
Bridgeport Public Library, 
Bristol Museum and Library, 
Brookline Library, 
Brooklyn Library, 
Brown University, 
Buffalo Public Library, 
Burlington Public Library, 
Cambridge Public Library, 
Carnegie (Allegheny) Library, 
Carnegie (Pittsburgh) Library, 
Chicago Public Library, 
Cleveland Public Library, 
Columbia University, 
Cornell University, 
Council Bluffs Public Library, 
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Detroit Public Library,
Enoch Pratt Library,
Evanston Public Library,
Everett Public Library,
Forbes Library,
Girard College,
Gloversville Public Library,
Grosvenor Public Library,
Hamilton Public Library,
Hartford Public Library,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
Harvard University,
Hobart College,
Iowa Masonic Library,
Jersey City Public Library,
John Crerar Library,
Lawrence Public Library,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
Liverpool Public Library,
Lynn Public Library,
Maimonides Library,
Manchester Museum (Owen's College),
Milwaukee Public Library,
Minneapolis Public Library,
Mount Holyoke College,
New Haven Public Library,
New Jersey State Library,
New London Public Library,
New York Apprentices' Library,
New York Free Circulating Library,
New York Public Library,
New York Society Library,
New York State Library,
Newark Public Library,
Newberry Library,
North Carolina State Library,
Osterhout Free Library,
Otis Library,
Paterson Public Library,
Peoria Public Library,
Philadelphia Public Library,
Plymouth Public Library,
Portland Public Library,
Pratt Institute,
Princeton University,

Providence Athenæum,
Providence Public Library,
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association,
St. Louis Public Library,
St. Paul Public Library,
Salem Public Library,
San Francisco Public Library,
Scranton Public Library,
Springfield City Library,
Syracuse Central Library,
Taunton Public Library,
Tennessee University,
Toledo Public Library,
Toronto Public Library,
University of California,
University of Chicago,
University of Michigan,
University of Pennsylvania,
University of Rochester,
University of Tennessee,
University of the State of New York,
University of Vermont,
University of Wisconsin,
Vassar College,
Wellesley College,
Wilmington Institute,
Worcester Public Library,
Yale University.

(3) U. S. Government.

Agriculture, Department of,
American Republics, Bureau of,
Census Bureau,
Civil Service Commission,
Coast and Geodetic Survey,
Consular Service,
Currency, Comptroller of,
Education, Bureau of,
Engineer's Office, War Dept.,
Fish Commission,
Geological Survey,
Interior Department,
Internal Revenue, Department of,
Interstate Commerce Commission,
Labor, Bureau of,
Land Office,
Life Saving Service,
Marine Hospital Service,
Mint, Bureau of,
National Museum,
Navigation, Bureau of,
Patent Office,
Public Documents, Department of,
Railroads, Commissioners of,
Rebellion Record,
Rolls and Library, Bureau of,
Smithsonian Institution Publications,
State Department,
Statistics, Bureau of,
Surgeon General's Library, Catalogue of,
Treasury Department,
War Department.

(4) Agricultural Experiment Stations.

Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station,
California " "
Connecticut " "
Delaware " "
Illinois " "
Kentucky " "
Massachusetts " "
New York " "
Ohio " "
Oregon " "
Rhode Island " "
U. S. Dept. Agric. " "
Utah " "
Vermont " "
Wisconsin " "

(5) Other Serials.

ANNUALS.

Almanach de Gotha,
American Book Prices Current,

American Trade List Annual,
Annuaire de l'Economie Politique
Annual American Catalogue,
Annual Literary Index,
Annual Register,
Appleton's Annual Cyclopaedia,
Book Sales,
British Almanac and Companion,
Cumulative Index,
Hazell's Annual,
Minerva, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt,
N. Y. State Clerk's Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, Index,
Poor's Manual of Railroads,
Rochester Directory,
Statesman's Year Book,
Tribune Almanac,
Union and Advertiser Year Book,
U. S. Official Postal Guide,
Whitaker's Almanac,
Who's Who,
World Almanac,
Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS.

McPherson's Political Hand Book,
Rochester Street Directory,
United States Blue Book (Official Register).

FIVE YEARLY.

American Catalogue,
Hinrich's Bücher Catalog,
Poole's Index to Periodicals,
Reference Catalogue (English).
### APPENDIX NO. 4.

**CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM.**

Room 133, Reynolds Arcade.

### DAILY.
- Albany Journal,
- Atlantic Constitution,
- Boston Transcript,
- Brooklyn Eagle,
- Buffalo Courier,
- Chicago Inter-Ocean,
- Chicago Times-Herald,
- Denver Rocky Mountain News,
- Detroit Free Press,
- Louisville Courier-Journal,
- New Orleans Picayune,
- New York Evening Post,
- New York Herald,
- New York Journal of Commerce,
- New York Mail and Express,
- New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,
- New York Sun,
- New York Times,
- New York Tribune,
- Philadelphia Press,
- Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,
- Rochester Herald,
- Rochester Post-Express,
- Rochester Union and Advertiser,
- St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
- San Francisco Examiner,
- Toronto Globe,
- Washington Post.

### WEEKLY AND MONTHLY.
- American Machinist,
- Arena,
- Argonaut,
- Army and Navy Journal,
- Atlantic,
- Art Interchange,
- Bon Ton,
- Century,
- Chautauquan,
- Cosmopolitan,
- Costume Royal,
- Current History,
- Delineator,
- Demorest's Magazine,
- Eclectic Magazine,
- Engineering and Mining Journal,
- Forest and Stream,
- Forum,
- Good Housekeeping,
- Harper's Bazar,
- Harper's Magazine,
- Harper's Weekly,
- Illustrated American,
- Illustrated London News,
- Iron Age,
- Judge,
- Ladies' Home Journal,
- Leslie's Monthly,
- Leslie's Weekly,
- Life,
- Lippincott's Magazine,
- London Times (Weekly),
- McClure's Magazine,
- Munsey's Magazine,
- Musical Record,
- Nation,
- New England Magazine,
- New York Clipper,
- New York Dramatic Mirror,
- North American Review,
- Outing,
- Outlook,
- Overland Monthly,
- Pall Mall Magazine,
- Popular Science Monthly,
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Vermont, Wisconsin, and also from the U. S. Department of
Agriculture at Washington.

Albany Medical Annals, from ................................ Publishers
American Cultivator, from ..................................... W. J. Fowler
American Gardening, from ...................................... George Ellwanger
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Boston Public Library Bulletin, from ........................ Boston Public Library
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Bulletin Mensuel, from .......................................... G. E. Stechert
Bulletin of Bibliography, from ................................ Boston Book Co.
Carnegie Library Bulletin, from ................................ Pittsburgh Carnegie Library
Catholic Champion, from ........................................ Publishers
Christian Science Journal, from ................................ Publishers
Christian Science Sentinel, from ................................ Publishers
Columbia University Quarterly, from ........................ Columbia University
Cook’s Excursionist, from ...................................... Publishers
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Democrat and Chronicle (2 copies), from Publishers
Educational Gazette, from Publishers
Essex Antiquarian, from George P. Humphrey
Garden, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Chronicle, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Magazine, from George Ellwanger
Hospital Leaflet, from Rochester Homoeopathic Hospital
Hospital Review, from Rochester City Hospital
Independent, from Miss L. Rumsey
Library News Letter, from Osterhout Free Library
Library Record, from Jersey City Public Library
Literary News, from Publishers
Men, from Publishers
Minneapolis Library Bulletin, from Minneapolis Public Library
New Church Review, from Publishers
New Haven Library Bulletin, from New Haven Public Library
New York Public Library Bulletin, from New York Public Library
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Labor Bureau Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Weather Service Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
Newark Library Bulletin, from Newark Public Library
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from U. S. Government
Our Church Work, from Publishers
Paterson Library Bulletin, from Paterson Public Library
Philadelphia Library Bulletin, from Philadelphia Public Library
Post Express (2 copies), from Publishers
Putnam's Historical Magazine from George P. Humphrey
Pythian Knight, from Publishers
Rochester Health Reports, from Rochester Board of Health
Rochester Weather Bureau Reports from Orin Parker
Rochester Herald, from Publishers
Salem Library Bulletin, from Salem Public Library
San Francisco Library Bulletin, from San Francisco Public Library
Sanitarian, from Henry Lomb
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Sound Currency, from Publishers
Springfield Library Bulletin, from Springfield City Library
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<td>4,028</td>
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Whole number of readers .......................... 99,083
Whole number of books drawn ...................... 34,642

*During August, the Reynolds Library was open from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m. only; and the Reynolds Reading-Room from 12 m. to 6 p. m. only.
APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

(For the Year Ending Sept. 30, 1899.)

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries ........................................ $ 5,875 96
Insurance ........................................ 301 00
Fixtures, Furniture, etc ....................... 422 86
Repairs and Maintenance ....................... 211 29
Heating .......................................... 297 75
Lighting .......................................... 415 66
Water Supply .................................. 19 73
Books ............................................... 1,567 80
Periodicals ..................................... 750 00
Binding .......................................... 569 80
Printing .......................................... 93 76
Postage ........................................... 32 05
Express, Freight, etc .......................... 34 51
Library Supplies ................................. 146 81
Sundries .......................................... 2 00
Expended from Medical Fund ................... 321 20
Expended from Engineer’s Fund ............... 96 95
Expended from W. J. Gordon Fund ............. 20 23

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REYNOLDS LIBRARY,

ROCHESTER, N. Y

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1900.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.
DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE PRESS.
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Rufus A. Sibley,
Julius M. Wile,
Erickson Perkins,
Henry F. Burton,
William R. Taylor,
Albert H. Harris,
Rush Rhees.

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TREASURER,
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CYRUS F. PAINE,

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,
FREDERICK A. WHITTLESEY,
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HENRY F. BURTON.

FINANCE COMMITTEE,
SAMUEL SLOAN,

BUILDING COMMITTEE,
RUFUS A. SIBLEY,

JULIUS M. WILE,
ERICKSON PERKINS.

ALBERT H. HARRIS.
LIBRARY STAFF.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
WILLIAM C. MOREY.

REYNOLDS LIBRARY (150 Spring St.)

ALFRED S. COLLINS, Librarian.
ANNE R. COLLINS, Assistant Librarian.
RICHARD H. D'Olier, Shelving Department.
JESSIE A. STEWART, Circulating Department.
LILY E. STEWART, Assistant Cataloguer.
GEORGE J. WAGNER, Attendant.
JOHN J. BAKER, Janitor.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade)

HELEN M. SPRAGUE, Superintendent.
ALBERTUS D. RICHARDS, Assistant.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee herewith submit their Fifteenth Annual Report.

At the last annual meeting there were reported as catalogued and placed upon the shelves of the Library 42,137 vols. There have been received during the past year by purchase 1,738 vols., by gift 1,569 vols., and by exchange 17 vols.; making the total number of accessions 3,324 vols. There have been condemned 74 vols., and 3 vols. have been lost. The present number of volumes now upon the shelves of the Library is 45,384. In the purchases which have been made, the Committee has been guided by the single purpose to add to the usefulness of the present collection of books, and not merely to add to the number of volumes in the Library. Not only have the catalogues of the chief publishing houses been examined in order to obtain the most valuable recent books, but a large number of the catalogues of second hand dealers have been carefully looked over, in order to acquire the valuable works of literature which are out of print, but which yet form a necessary part of a well furnished library.

Special attention has been paid during the past year to the difficult task of collating the newspapers in the possession of the Library, and in putting them into an accessible form. The files of the principal Rochester papers, the Union and Advertiser, the Democrat and Chronicle, the Post Express and the Herald are nearly complete. They are substantially bound and systematically shelved, and are arranged in the most convenient manner for reference. When this arrangement has been completed, each defective volume will contain at the beginning a list of the missing numbers. These lists of missing numbers will also be preserved in the librarian's "Record of collated newspapers," which will give accurate and complete information regarding this class of literature. The frequent calls to consult the newspapers of the city are sufficient to justify this special
care in their collation and arrangement. The Library also possesses considerable files of the papers of New York City, such as the Times, the Sun, the Tribune, Harper's Weekly and others, some of which cover the period of the Civil War.

Besides the newspapers, another part of the Library which does not usually receive much attention, but which we have organized and arranged with special care, is the class of Public Documents. The person whose only idea of the value of this class of literature is obtained from the row of agricultural reports which he has long since consigned to the dust of the garret, can hardly appreciate the importance of a comprehensive and well arranged collection of Government reports, especially those which issue from the general government. Every historical and scientific student knows the great value of many of these public documents, and also the still greater value that they acquire by such a systematic and orderly arrangement of reports as renders their contents readily available. The Library has already gathered a rich collection of these documents, extending over the entire history of the country, and covering every department of the Government. These works have been classified and catalogued with the same care as the other branches of the Library, and the materials which they contain are made equally accessible. The Library already is made the regular recipient of certain reports from several Departments and Bureaus. The great body of Congressional documents usually bound in leather covers has also in great part been collected as far back as the thirty-second Congress (1850). Previous to this time, the documents are compiled under the direction of the General Government in the two series of American State Papers, imperial folio, 38 vols., which are also in the possession of the Library. This forms a very complete set of the Government documents, extending from the foundation of the Government to within a period of ten or twelve years from the present time. During this recent period there has been great difficulty in obtaining the Congressional documents, although many reports of several Departments and Bureaus have been regularly received. In view of the comparatively complete collection already made, the great care with which the collection is systematically arranged and made available for consultation, and the relative accessibility of the Library to the public, the question is suggested whether it would not be conducive to the public interest if the
Library were made the regular depository of public documents for this Congressional district.

With every step in the growth of the Library, and with every stage in the relative decrease of its net income, the Committee feels that the public mind should be kept clear regarding the scope of the Library and the nature of the work to which it must, from the character of its endowment and the limitations of its resources, necessarily be restricted. Were it possessed of ampler revenue the Board would be glad to furnish to the city of Rochester all the library facilities needed by its inhabitants; but it must be evident that such a course is impracticable under the existing conditions. The library work performed in a modern city in which the reading public is adequately supplied with books, resolves itself into two quite distinct parts. The one of these relates to the circulation of books for reading and literary entertainment, the other to the collection of books for consultation. In the larger public libraries supported by taxation, these two parts of the library work are to a certain extent united. But with the growth of cities, the necessity is felt for special reference libraries to satisfy the mental requirements of the public, and these reference libraries are generally established by an endowment or supported by subscription. For example, the city of Buffalo has its Grosvenor Library; Baltimore its Peabody Library; Boston its Athenæum; Providence also its Athenæum; Chicago its Crerar and Newberry Libraries. It is eminently proper that reference libraries such as these should be to a great extent supported by endowments or by voluntary subscriptions, since the nature of the work done, however necessary, does not appeal strongly to those who see little use for books except as they afford an hour's entertainment, and who are apt to chafe under a tax which seems intended to benefit only the more serious class of readers. But the reading public of any community always contains such serious readers as well as others whose tastes are of the nature above mentioned. When the resources of a library are limited, it is necessary to discriminate between these two kinds of library work, and to decide to which form of activity the library should be restricted. As the public seems to be more willing to be taxed to support a library which meets its widest demand in the way of books for circulation, it seems the part of wisdom for an endowed library to choose that kind of work which does not appeal so strongly to the average taxable citizen: namely, the work of reference.
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The statements already made have been based upon the plain fact that the net resources of the Reynolds Library are inadequate to perform the two kinds of library work required for the city of Rochester. That this is not a mere matter of personal opinion, may perhaps be best shown by the expenses which are actually incurred by other cities to provide library facilities for their respective communities. The city of Buffalo appropriated last year for this purpose over $92,000; Milwaukee $46,000; Newark $37,000; Minneapolis $43,000; Jersey City $31,000; Indianapolis $42,000; Syracuse $25,000; Cambridge, Mass., $20,000; Springfield $26,000. Even the amount paid for salaries in some of these libraries exceeds the total net income which we are able to devote to our entire expenses. In Buffalo over $38,000 was paid for salaries; in Milwaukee $14,000; in Newark $17,000; in Minneapolis $27,000; in Providence $18,000. These figures give some idea of the cost of maintaining library facilities to meet the demand of cities the population of which approximates nearly to that of Rochester.

But one conclusion can be drawn from these facts, and that is that it is impossible under the existing conditions for the Reynolds Library to perform in any satisfactory way the work both of a reference library and of a circulating library. The Committee have on other occasions expressed their opinion that the main work of the library should be reference work, and this belief becomes strengthened with the growth of the Library, and with the relative decrease in the amount of its available income. It is believed that with the exercise of care in the choice of books and by preserving a close relation with the various classes of readers and students who are in need of such help as a reference library affords, the present income may be sufficient to build up in the course of time a collection of reference books which will compare favorably with other reference libraries; but in our situation this necessitates the exclusion of many branches of popular literature desired by the more general class of readers, but which should be provided for by a library supported by general taxation. It is impossible with the present income to supply the entire population of the city with the class of reading afforded by the general circulating library. The duties which are imposed by this trust are of necessity to be measured by its capacity to perform, and although the library under the provisions of its charter owes an
important duty to the city, a large discretion is thereby expressly confided to the judgment of the Board, and as it is unable to provide the facilities of both a reference and a circulating library, it remains with the Trustees to decide what class of work will be most in harmony with the purposes of its founder and with the interests of the city.

In assuming the functions of a reference library, it becomes a serious question whether the lending of books should be entirely discontinued. The reference library does not generally lend its books. This course relieves it from the expenses of circulation, and its income is limited to the purchase of books and to the administrative work necessary to place its literary resources in the most available form. But the reference library does not always deny entirely the privileges of borrowers. For example: the library of the Peabody Institute, while a reference library to the general public, lends its books to certain persons who cannot conveniently pursue their investigations within the walls of the building—as, for instance, to the students of the Johns Hopkins University. To render a reference library the most useful, it seems the part of wisdom either to retain all books within the building, where they may be consulted by all, or else to lend them to those who may need them, provided that such lending to one does not interfere with the equal rights of another. Such a loaning of books by a reference library as promotes the greatest good of the greatest number, requires a large degree of discretion on the part of the librarian. The Athenæum Library of Boston may be regarded as of this description. Although supported by voluntary subscriptions, and available only to subscribers, it possesses largely the character of a reference library, yet its books are lent to its subscribers, while its circulation is restricted by the nature of its materials. The duty of providing popular literature for the city is performed by the Boston Public Library. These two institutions are thus able to co-operate in furnishing to the city the different kinds of literature required by the public. It is possible to give considerable freedom to the granting of books to borrowers, provided the loan is made conditional upon their immediate return in case they are needed by other persons. This need not be practically difficult provided the contents of the library are not of that ephemeral character which usually belongs to the books of the ordinary circulating library. The
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limitation of books to those of a reference character must itself of necessity restrict to a large extent the circulation. From these considerations the Committee recommends that the Library maintain as strictly as possible the policy which has been tacitly assumed from the outset, of collecting those works especially which have distinctly a reference character, and of permitting their loan so far as not to encroach upon the needs of those who use its materials. The restriction of the circulation will then follow from the distinctive character of the books themselves, and not from any attributable purpose to limit the privileges of borrowers. This does not involve any departure from that which has prevailed from the beginning, but only a more strict adherence to the purpose of making the Library a collection of standard literature, covering all branches of human knowledge, and available to students and readers of every class.

The City of Rochester already possesses the nucleus of a good circulating library supported by public taxation. The highest wisdom requires that these two libraries should each work in its own sphere, and that they should at the same time co-operate each with the other in supplying the city with the books which are necessary both for reference and for circulation. Such a policy of co-operation will prevent the unnecessary duplication of books, and will thus contribute to the varied interests of the reading public. A similar policy of co-operation should extend to the other libraries of the city, so that all can work together in promoting the intellectual advancement of the community.

During the past few weeks the Arcade Reading Room has been removed from its old quarters in the third story of the back building, and put in a more convenient place on the east gallery of the main building. The floor space is nearly the same as in the old Reading Room, and the location is easier of access to the tenants of the Arcade and to others interested.

The Library has received a considerable number of gifts, the most important of which are as follows: From Hon. W. W. Armstrong, 28 vols.; Hon. H. C. Brewster, 152 vols. and 27 pamphlets; Dr. S. McC. Craig, 27 vols. and 28 pamphlets; P. H. Curtis, 69 vols. and 100 pamphlets; H. G. Danforth, 129 vols. and 19 pamphlets; Dr. C. A. Dewey, 81 vols. and 12 pamphlets; The Drew-Allis Co., 30
vols.; Frank J. Hone, 216 vols. and 122 pamphlets; Mrs. D. Johnston, 176 vols.; Emil Kuichling, 74 vols. and 33 pamphlets; Dr. Max Landsberg, 49 vols.; Dr. R. M. Moore, 123 vols.; Dr. W S. Rambo, 124 vols.; The United States Government, 122 vols. and 117 pamphlets; also two copies each of the following Rochester papers from the publishers: Democrat and Chronicle, Post-Express, Rochester Herald, Union and Advertiser, and one copy of the Abendpost und Beobachter.

This report is supplemented by the usual appendices, giving detailed statistics regarding the work of the Library.

Dated, Rochester, October 1, 1900.

FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
HENRY F. BURTON,

Library Committee.
APPENDIX NO. 1.

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY.

Those Meeting at the Library.

Arethusa Society ........................................ Fortnightly.
College Women's Club .................................. Fortnightly.
Cornell Women's Association ......................... Monthly.
Lady Principals of the Rochester Public Schools .... Twice a month.
McCarthy, Miss S., Latin Class ....................... Weekly.
Monday Afternoon Club .................................. Weekly.
Parliamentary Law Class ............................... Weekly.
Political Equality Club ................................. Monthly.
Rochester Academy of Medicine ........................ Weekly.
Rochester Academy of Science ......................... Fortnightly.
Rochester Engineering Society ......................... Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society .......................... Quarterly.
Theosophical Society ................................. Weekly.
Women's Saturday Club .................................. Fortnightly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance.

Mrs. Bliss's Art Classes.
Brick Church Institute Classes.
Chautauqua Circle.
Council of Jewish Women.
Ladies' Scottish Club.
Mechanics' Institute Classes.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Travelers' Club.
Unity Club.
Women's Educational and Industrial Union.
Women's Missionary Society.
APPENDIX NO. 2.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

Academy,  
American Architect,  
American Gardening,  
American Historical Review,  
American Homes,  
American Journal of Archæology,  
American Journal of Science,  
American Journal of Sociology,  
American Monthly Magazine,  
American Naturalist,  
Antiquary,  
Architectural Record,  
Arena,  
Art Amateur,  
Art Journal,  
Association Review,  
Astrophysical Journal,  
Athenæum,  
Atlantic Monthly,  
Blackwood's Magazine,  
Book Buyer,  
Book Reviews,  
Bookman,  
Bookseller,  
Bulletin of Bibliography,  
Catholic Champion,  
Catholic World,  
Century,  
Charities Review,  
Chautauquan,  
Christian Science Journal,  
Christian Science Sentinel,  
Church Quarterly Review,  
Church Work,  
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,  
Contemporary Review,  
Cook's Excursionist,  
Cosmopolitan,  
Critic,  
Cumulative Index,  

Current History,  
Deutsche Rundschau,  
Dial,  
Edinburgh Review,  
Educational Review,  
Electricity,  
Engineering,  
Engineering Magazine,  
English Historical Review,  
English Illustrated Magazine,  
Essex Antiquarian,  
Fortnightly Review,  
Forum,  
Garden,  
Gardener's Chronicle,  
Gardener's Magazine,  
Harper's Magazine,  
Harvard Graduate's Magazine,  
Hospital Leaflet,  
Hospital Review,  
Illustrated London News,  
Imperial and Asiatic Review,  
International Journal of Ethics,  
Johns Hopkins University Studies,  
Journal of American Folk Lore,  
Journal of Geology,  
Journal of Political Economy,  
Journal of the Franklin Institute,  
Library Journal,  
Library News Letter,  
Library Record,  
Literary News,  
Literary World,  
Living Age,  
Living Church,  
London Quarterly Review,  
Macmillan's Magazine,  
Magazine of Art,  
Manual Training Magazine,  
Mind,
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Missionary Review,  
Monist,  
Municipal Affairs,  
Music,  
Nation,  
Nature,  
Nature Study Quarterly,  
New Church Review,  
New England Historical and Genealogical Register,  
New England Magazine,  
New World,  
N. Y. Labor Bureau Bulletin,  
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletins,  
N. Y. Weather Service Bulletins,  
Nineteenth Century,  
Notes and Queries,  
Notes on New Books,  
Official Gazette of the Patent Office,  
Outing,  
Outlook (American),  
Outlook (English),  
Poet Lore,  
Political Science Quarterly,  
Popular Science Monthly,  
Public Opinion,  
Publishers' Circular,  
Publishers' Weekly,  
Punch,  
Pythian Knight,  
Quarterly Journal of Economics,  
Quarterly Record,  
Quarterly Review,  
Review of Reviews,  
Revue des Deux Mondes,  
Rochester Board of Health Reports,  
St. Nicholas,  
Saturday Review,  
Science,  
Scientific American,  
Scientific American, Supplement,  
Scientific American, Builders' Edition,  
Scottish Review,  
Scribner's Magazine,  
Sound Currency,  
Spectator,  
Stevens' Indicator,  
Studio,  
Tablet,  
Theosophical Review,  
Twentieth Century Educator,  
University Extension Journal,  
Van Nostrand's Monthly Record,  
Westermann's Monthly,  
Westminster Review,  
Writer,  
Yale Review.

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS.

American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,  
Engineering News,  
Engineering Record,  
Journal of Assoc. of Engineering Societies,  
Journal of the Western Society of Engineers,  
Locomotive Engineering,  
Paving and Municipal Engineering,  
Proceedings of Engineers' Club of Philadelphia,  
Railroad Gazette,  
Street Railway Journal.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Albany Medical Annals,  
American Journal of Insanity,  
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,  
American Monthly Microscopical Journal,  
Annals of Surgery,  
Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,  
Archives de Médecine Expérimentale,  
Archives de Neurologie,
APPENDIX NO. 3.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Folk-Lore Society, Journal,
American Historical Association, Papers,
American Historical Association, Reports,

American Medical Association, Journal,
American Park and Outdoor Art Association, Reports,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Association of Engineering Societies, Journal,
Bellevue Hospital, Society of Alumni, Transactions,
BUFFALO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, ANNUAL REPORT.

New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,
New York State Board of Health, Reports,
New York State Medical Association, Transactions,
Oneida Historical Society, Reports,
Peabody Museum, Reports,
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Journal,
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Publications,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenaeum and Mechanics' Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Rochester Pathological Society, Reports,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Publications,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,
State Charities Aid Association, Reports,
Volta Bureau, Reports,
Western Society of Engineers, Journal,
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Proceedings.

(2) LIBRARIES AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Aguilar Free Library,
Amherst College,
Armour Institute of Technology,
Baillie's Institution Library,
Barnard College,
Belleville Public Library,
Beloit College,
Blackburn Free Library,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston Public Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Bristol Museum and Library,
Brookline Library,
Brooklyn Library,
Brown University,
Buffalo Public Library,
Burlington Public Library,
Cambridge Public Library,
Carnegie (Allegheny) Library,
Chicago Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library,
Columbia University,
Cornell University,
Council Bluffs Public Library,
Dayton Public Library,
Detroit Public Library,
District of Columbia Public Library,
Enoch Pratt Library,
Evanston Public Library,
Everett Public Library,
Forbes Library,
Gail Borden Library,
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen Library,
Girard College,
Gloversville Public Library,
Grosvenor Public Library,
Hamilton Public Library,
Hartford Public Library,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
Harvard University,
Hobart College,
Ilion Public Library,
Illinois University,
Iowa Masonic Library,
Jersey City Public Library,
John Crerar Library,
Lawrence Public Library,
Lawrence Scientific School,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
Library of Congress,
Liverpool Public Library,
Lynn Public Library,
Maimonides Library,
Manchester Museum, (Owen's College),
Milwaukee Public Library,
Minneapolis Public Library,
Mount Holyoke College,
New Haven Public Library,
New Jersey State Library,
New London Public Library,
New Orleans Polyclinic,
New York Free Circulating Library,
New York Public Library,
New York Society Library,
New York State Library,
Newark Public Library,
Newberry Library,
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Library,
Oakland Public Library,
Ohio Wesleyan University,
Osterhout Free Library,
Otis Library,
Paterson Public Library,
Peoria Public Library,
Philadelphia Public Library,
Pittsburgh Carnegie Library,
Plymouth Public Library,
Portland Public Library,
Pratt Institute Library,
Princeton University,
Providence Athenæum,
Providence Public Library,
St. Louis Public Library,
St. Paul Public Library,
Salem Public Library,
San Francisco Public Library,
Scranton Public Library,
Seattle Public Library,
Springfield City Library,
Syracuse Central Library,
Taunton Public Library,
Tennessee University,
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Toledo Public Library,
Toronto Public Library,
University of California,
University of Chicago,
University of Illinois,
University of Michigan,
University of Pennsylvania,
University of Rochester,
University of Tennessee,
University of the State of New
York,
University of Vermont,
University of Wisconsin,
Vassar College,
Wagner Memorial College,
Wellesley College,
Wilmington Institute,
Worcester Public Library,
Yale University.

(3) U. S. Government.

STATE DEPARTMENT.
Report of Secretary,
American Republics, Bureau,
Commercial Relations,
Consular Reports (regular and
special),
Rolls and Library Bureau.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
Report of Secretary,
Comptroller of Currency,
Foreign Commerce,
Internal Commerce,
Internal Revenue,
Life Saving Service,
Mint, Bureau,
Statistics, Bureau.

W AR DEPARTMENT.
Report of Secretary,
Comptroller of Currency,
Surgeon-General's Library, Cata-
logue,
War of Rebellion, Records.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.
Report of Secretary,
Census Office,
Education, Bureau,
Geological Survey,
Indian Affairs, Board of Com-
missioners,
Indian Affairs, Commissioner,
Land Office,
Miscellaneous Reports,
Patent Office Publications,
Railroad Commissioners.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.
Report of Secretary,
Agrostology, Division,
Animal Industry, Bureau,
Biological Survey Division,
Botany Division,
Chemistry Division,
Crop Reports,
Entomology Division,
Experiment Stations Office,
Fiber Investigation Office,
Foreign Markets Section,
Forestry Division,
Library Bulletin,
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OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND
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Civil Service Commission,
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(6) Other Serials.

ANNUALS.
Almanach de Gotha,
American Book Prices Current,
American Trade List Annual,
Annuaire de l’ Economie Politique,
Annual American Catalogue,
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Annual Register,
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British Almanac and Companion,
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Rochester Directory,
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CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM.

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Boston Transcript,  
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Chicago Inter-Ocean,  
Chicago Times-Herald,  
Denver Rocky Mountain News,  
Detroit Free Press,  
Louisville Courier-Journal,  
New Orleans Picayune,  
New York Evening Post,  
New York Herald,  
New York Journal of Commerce,  
New York Mail and Express,  
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New York Sun,  
New York Times,  
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Philadelphia Press,  
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,  
Rochester Herald,  
Rochester Post Express,  
Rochester Union and Advertiser,  
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,  
San Francisco Chronicle,  
Toronto Globe,  
Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY.

American Machinist,  
Arena,  
Argonaut,  
Army and Navy Journal,  
Atlantic,  
Art Interchange,  
Bon Ton,  
Century,  
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Cosmopolitan,  
Costume Royal,  
Current History,  
Delineator,  
Demorest's Magazine,  
Eclectic Magazine,  
Engineering and Mining Journal,  
Forest and Stream,  
Forum,  
Good Housekeeping,  
Harper's Bazar,  
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Iron Age,  
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Brewster, Hon. H. C. ..................................... 1 map
Craig, Dr. S. McC. ........................................ 9 numbers of periodicals
Craig, Dr. S. P. ........................................... 5 maps
Curtis, P. H. ............................................... 440 numbers of periodicals
Dake, Miss C. O. .......................................... 17 numbers of periodicals
Danforth, H. G. ........................................... 65 numbers of periodicals
Fay, S. C. .................................................. 640 numbers of periodicals
Goler, Dr. G. W. .......................................... 44 numbers of periodicals
Griffith, Miss J. ......................................... 1 autograph portrait of Edward Everett
Hall, Miss M. F. ......................................... 1 number of periodical
Herrick, G. B. .......................................... 1 number of periodical
Hone, F. J. ............................................... 27 numbers of periodicals
Howard, Dr. E. H. ....................................... 9 numbers of periodicals
Kuichling, E. ............................................. 218 numbers of periodicals
Lake Shore and Michigan Southern R. R. ............. 1 map
Peck, W. F. .............................................. 140 numbers of periodicals
Pennsylvania Prison Society ............................ 67 numbers of periodicals
Price, B. S. ............................................... 1 number of periodical
Rebass, Mrs. W. M. ..................................... 271 numbers of periodicals
Reynolds, H. J. .......................................... 464 numbers of periodicals
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute ......... 1,096 numbers of periodicals
Slaight, Dr. M. J. ....................................... 137 numbers of periodicals
Van de Carr, R. D. .................................... 112 numbers of periodicals
Vredenburgh, E. H. ................................... 21 numbers of periodicals
THE FOLLOWING PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS.

Abendpost und Beobachter, from Publishers
Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletins from the following States: Arkansas, California, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, Wisconsin, and also from the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington.

Albany Medical Annals, from Publishers
American Gardening, from George Ellwanger
American Homes, from Publishers
Amherst College Library Bulletin, from Amherst College
Association Review, from Publishers
Book Reviews, from Publishers
Boston Public Library Bulletin, from Boston Public Library
Brookline Library Bulletin, from Brookline Public Library
Bulletin of Bibliography, from Boston Book Co.
Carnegie Library Bulletin, from Pittsburgh Carnegie Library
Catholic Champion, from Publishers
Christian Science Journal, from Publishers
Christian Science Sentinel, from Publishers
Church Work, from Publishers
Columbia University Quarterly, from Columbia University
Cook's Excursionist, from Publishers
Democrat and Chronicle, (2 copies) from Publishers
Essex Antiquarian, from George P. Humphrey
Garden, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Chronicle, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Magazine, from George Ellwanger
Hospital Leaflet, from Rochester Homoeopathic Hospital
Hospital Review, from Rochester City Hospital
Illinois University Studies, from Illinois University
Iowa Masonic Library Bulletin, from Publishers
Library News Letter, from Osterhout Free Library
Library Record, from Jersey City Public Library
Literary News, from Publishers
Living Church, from A. S. Marsh
Minneapolis Library Bulletin, from Minneapolis Public Library
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New Church Review, from ................................ Publishers
New Haven Library Bulletin, from ............... New Haven Public Library
New York Public Library Bulletin, from .......... New York Public Library
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from .... N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Labor Bureau Bulletin, from ........ N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Weather Service Bulletin, from .... N. Y. State Government
Newark Library Bulletin, from ...................... Newark Public Library
Notes on Books, from ................................ Macmillan Co.
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from ..... U. S. Government
Otis Library Bulletin, from ........................ Otis Library
Paterson Library Bulletin, from .................... Paterson Public Library
Philadelphia Library Bulletin, from .............. Philadelphia Public Library
Post-Express (2 copies), from ........................ Publishers
Providence Library Bulletin, from ................. Providence Public Library
Pythian Knight, from ................................ Publishers
Quarterly Record, from ............................... N. Y. State Board of Charities
Rochester Health Reports, from .................... Rochester Board of Health
Rochester Weather Bureau Reports, from ......... Orin Parker
Rochester Herald (2 copies), from ................ Publishers
San Francisco Library Bulletin, from .............. San Francisco Public Library
Sanitarian, from ..................................... Henry Lomb
Sound Currency, from ................................ Publishers
Springfield Library Bulletin, from ................. Springfield City Library
Stevens Indicator, from ............................. Stevens Institute of Technology
Tablet, from ........................................ Publishers
Tennessee University Record, from ............... Tennessee University
Theosophical Review, from ......................... Publishers
Union and Advertiser (2 copies), from ............ Publishers
U. S. Agricultural Dept. Library Bulletin, from ... U. S. Government
U. S. Consular Reports, from ........................ U. S. Government
U. S. Public Documents Catalogue, from ........... U. S. Government
U. S. Statistical Bureau Bulletin, from ............ U. S. Government
University Extension Journal, from ................ Publishers
APPENDIX NO. 6.

STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>BY MONTHS.</th>
<th>ATTENDANCE.</th>
<th>BOOKS DRAWN.</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1899-1900.</td>
<td>REYNOLDS LIBRARY</td>
<td>REYNOLDS READING ROOM</td>
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<tr>
<td>October,</td>
<td>5,043</td>
<td>4,339</td>
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<tr>
<td>November,</td>
<td>4,478</td>
<td>4,771</td>
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<td>December,</td>
<td>3,510</td>
<td>5,929</td>
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<td>January,</td>
<td>3,665</td>
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<td>3,769</td>
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<td>March,</td>
<td>4,081</td>
<td>6,009</td>
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<td>April,</td>
<td>3,966</td>
<td>4,511</td>
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<td>May,</td>
<td>3,505</td>
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<tr>
<td>June,</td>
<td>2,629</td>
<td>3,587</td>
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<td>July,*</td>
<td>1,757</td>
<td>3,438</td>
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<td>August,*</td>
<td>797</td>
<td>806</td>
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<tr>
<td>September,*</td>
<td>2,107</td>
<td>2,297</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total,</td>
<td>39,307</td>
<td>52,532</td>
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Whole number of readers.......................... 91,839
Whole number of books drawn....................... 30,982

*The Reynolds Library was open from 2 P. M. to 6 P. M. only during the month of August, and the Circulating Department was closed during July, August and September. The Reynolds Reading Room was open from 12 M. to 6 P. M. during the first two weeks of August, was closed entirely during the last two weeks of August and was open from 10 A. M. to 6 P. M. during the month of September.
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

(For the Year Ending Sept. 30th, 1900.)

EXPENDITURES.

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<th>Item</th>
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<td>Fixtures, Furniture, etc.</td>
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<td>Repairs and Maintenance</td>
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<td>Heating</td>
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<td>Lighting</td>
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<td>Water Supply</td>
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<td>Books</td>
<td>1,087.71</td>
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<td>Periodicals</td>
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<td>Binding</td>
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<td>Printing</td>
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<td>Express, Freight, etc.</td>
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<td>Library Supplies</td>
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<td>Sundries</td>
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<td>Expended from Medical Fund</td>
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<td>Expended from Engineers' Fund</td>
<td>51.90</td>
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<tr>
<td>Expended from W. J. Gordon Fund</td>
<td>31.07</td>
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Total: $10,321.13
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Of the

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Rochester, N. Y.

For the Year Ending September 30th, 1901.
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LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
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REYNOLDS LIBRARY (150 Spring St.)

ALFRED S. COLLINS, Librarian.
ANNE R. COLLINS, Assistant Librarian.
RICHARD H. D'OLIER, Shelving Department.
JESSIE A. STEWART, Circulating Department.
LILY E. STEWART, Assistant Cataloguer.
GEORGE J. WAGNER, Attendant.
JOHN J. BAKER, Janitor.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade.)

HELEN M. SPRAGUE, Superintendent.
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—The Library committee herewith submit their Sixteenth Annual Report.

At the last annual meeting there were reported as catalogued and placed on the shelves of the Library 45,384 volumes. There have been received during the past year by purchase 1,159 vols., by gift 1,402 vols., by exchange 152 vols., 59 vols. were condemned, making the total net number of accessions 2,654 vols. The present number of volumes upon the shelves of the Library is 48,038. In making their purchases through the year, the Committee, with the necessarily limited amount of funds set apart for this purpose, have used their best efforts to keep the Library supplied with the most recent and standard works in literature and science, so far as these works seemed necessary to meet the present needs of the reading public.

In this work of administration, the Committee have not lost sight of the fact that the resources of the Library are a constantly decreasing quantity; and that one of the most important considerations which must henceforth be kept in view is that of economy. With the necessary decline made in the appropriations for library purposes and the growing demand for economy, it must be evident that there is a corresponding difficulty in keeping the Library up to the high standard established when its resources were considerably larger than at present. But in carrying into effect the necessary policy of retrenchment, the Committee have endeavored so to act that the public shall suffer as little as possible. In some respects these efforts have been successful; in other respects the success has, perhaps, not been quite so marked. The discontinuation of the Reference Librarian and the consequent elimination of an important item in the expenses for salaries has not, it is believed, seriously affected the interest of readers. The union of the duties hitherto performed by the Reference Librarian and those of the Chief Cataloguer, have, of course, increased the labor of the
person performing these two kinds of work. But this duty, nevertheless, has been most efficiently done; and the public has not suffered by this change.

Any deficiencies that may be detected in the measure of our administration of the trust confided to our care, are to be attributed, not to our failure to recognize them, but solely to the fact that the decreasing net income of the Library, after defraying taxes, makes it impossible to maintain the budget of previous years.

This decreased financial power of the Library to confer upon the public all the benefits which it desires to afford, and which it would be rejoiced to dispense under more favorable circumstances, is too patent and too significant to conceal; and those interested in the welfare of the Library should know that any apparent decline in its efficiency is not due to any weakening of the desire to benefit the public or to any change in the administrative methods of the Library, but solely to the lack of adequate financial means. An examination of the income and the expenditures will show, we think, that the available resources of the Library are utilized for the public benefit in the most economical and efficient way possible. It is doubtful whether there is another free library, having the same income, which is doing as much for the education and the improvement of the community as is done by the Reynolds Library. This statement is not made in any boastful spirit, but with a painful sense of the difficulty involved in the effort to maintain the Library at its present standard with the decreased resources at its disposal.

The general work of the past year does not, however, afford any occasion for discouragement. With the exception of the Arcade Reading Room, the attendance of the past year has been nearly equal to that of the previous years. There is also evidence that the Library is being used for more serious purposes than hitherto. While the attendance on the Reference Department has not been as great as in some previous years, the average number of books drawn for reference purposes has been much greater. Also the special kind of work which has become a distinctive as well as a distinguishing feature of this institution — namely, its affiliation with local societies — has been marked by a degree of success which is gratifying. The opportunities which the Library affords for literary and scientific associations have been utilized to the full extent. There are now affiliated
REYNOLDS LIBRARY.

with the Library twenty-three clubs and societies; and there is certainly no other library within the knowledge of this committee which can show an equal record. This list is not made up of inactive, passive associations, but living, energetic organizations, some of which owe their flourishing condition to the encouragement and aid afforded by the Library. The most notable examples of this are, perhaps, the Rochester Engineering Society and the Rochester Academy of Medicine.

The history of the last-named society affords an admirable example of the mutual benefits which may accrue from the kind of affiliation which the Library has encouraged. Previous to 1892 the medical profession of the city had experienced great difficulty in obtaining the literature which seemed necessary to keep it thoroughly abreast of the advances made in medical science. In that year the Reynolds Library agreed to duplicate an annual amount not exceeding $250, which the Monroe County Medical Society would raise for the purchase of books to be placed in the medical department of the Library; also, to give the members of the Society easy access to the medical reference room, and also the use of the assembly room of the Library for their monthly meetings. In 1899 the members of the profession most interested in this building up of the medical department of the Library succeeded in organizing the Rochester Academy of Medicine, which continued with still greater success the efforts to collect a valuable department of medical literature. As the result of this affiliation the Library has received, since 1893, from this profession, about $1,500, which, being duplicated by the Library, has resulted in the expenditure of about $3,000 for medical literature and the building up of a medical department of 3,161 volumes. This plan of co-operation has been of great benefit to the Library in increasing its literature and in making it a center of scientific work for one of the learned professions of our city.

While the Library has been thus strengthened, the profession has also received an equal, and, perhaps, a greater benefit. How much the profession is really receiving from the Library might, perhaps, be expressed in financial terms if an estimate were made of the independent capital which would be required to obtain this result. An adequate building with grounds necessary to store the medical books and to provide for rooms for reference and meeting would, perhaps
amount to $20,000.00 or $25,000.00. The expenses for administration, including librarian, janitor, heating and light, would be at least $1,500.00 a year or an endowment of $37,500.00 yielding 4 per cent. interest. The expenditure of $500.00 a year for books would require at the same rate an endowment of $12,500.00. It is evident that the Academy of Medicine, if it desired to erect an independent building with independent library facilities equivalent to those now received through the aid of the Reynolds Library, would require a capital sum of about $70,000.00. This conversion of intellectual opportunities into financial terms is sufficient to illustrate the great pecuniary values which the Reynolds Library is giving to the citizens of Rochester. It is due to the Academy of Medicine to say that it fully appreciates the Library opportunities which it is receiving. Indeed, it has not only availed itself of these opportunities but is already crowding upon the limited space which has been set apart for the medical department of the Library. Medical books already fill to overflowing not only the small room designed as a medical reference room, but another room which was intended for the use of study clubs, besides seven presses in the stack room on the first floor. The medical part of the Library is thus scattered in three inconvenient rooms, while the present assembly room is often taxed to its utmost capacity at the meetings of the Society. It is not surprising, then, that the question has been broached whether it is not possible for the Library to afford more extended and convenient accommodation whereby a larger assembly room and a more commodious reference room for the investigation of medical subjects might be provided, and all the medical literature of the Library be shelved in a single stack room. It is not the province of this Committee to discuss the financial part of this problem. But assuming the funds necessary for this extension were available, the Committee is convinced that such an extension of the Library facilities might be accomplished without modifying the general plan for architectural growth already submitted to the Board, and without adding materially to the expenses of administration. If plans for such extension are made by the Academy, they will, of course, be submitted to the Board for approval. While this may not be at present an impending question, the increasing pressure made upon the medical department of the Library is such as to make this subject a matter for
serious consideration. The policy of the Board to provide for the
real needs of the community and the growing desire of the medical
profession for more ample library facilities, seem to justify these sug-
gestions in order that the Board may be prepared to meet any
propositions which may in the near future be made to it regarding
such an extension.

The gifts to the Library during the past year have been generous.
The following are worthy of special mention: Hon. W. W. Arm-
strong, 74 vols.; Mrs. Alice E. Buell, 26 vols.; The Government of
Canada, 49 vols.; Mrs. J. J. Chappell, 181 vols.; Mrs. Oscar Craig,
295 numbers of periodicals; Dr. C. A. Dewey, 54 vols.; The Drew-
Allis Co., 51 vols.; The Flour City Bank, 56 vols.; The New York
Academy of Medicine, 101 vols.; The New York State Government,
84 vols.; Mrs. Frank Newell, 427 numbers of periodicals; Edmund
H. Smith, 193 vols.; The United States Government, 98 vols.; Mrs.
Alfred Wright, 15 vols. and 678 numbers of periodicals; also two
copies each of the following Rochester newspapers from the publish-
ers: Democrat and Chronicle, Post-Express, Rochester Herald,
Union and Advertiser.

This report is supplemented by the usual appendices, giving
detailed statistics regarding the work of the Library.

Dated, Rochester, October 1, 1901.

FRED. A WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
HENRY F. BURTON,
Library Committee.
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APPENDIX NO. 1.

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY.

Those Meeting at the Library.

Arethusa Society.................................................Fortnightly.
Associated Debating Society.................................Weekly.
College Women's Club............................................Fortnightly.
Lady Principals of the Rochester Public Schools....Twice a month.
Livingston Park Seminary Class.........................Weekly.
McCarthy, Miss S., Class......................................Weekly.
Political Equality Club........................................Monthly.
Rochester Academy of Medicine.............................Weekly.
Rochester Academy of Science...............................Fortnightly.
Rochester Engineering Society.............................Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society...............................Quarterly.
Theosophical Society...........................................Weekly.
Women's Saturday Club........................................Fortnightly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance.

Brick Church Institute Classes.
Chautauqua Circle.
Council of Jewish Women.
Ladies' Scottish Club.
Mechanics Institute Classes.
Mrs. Hall's Art Classes.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Tennyson Club.
Travelers' Club.
Women's Missionary Society.
APPENDIX NO. 2.

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Monist,
Monthly Cumulative Book Index,
Municipal Affairs,
Music,
Nation,
Nature,
Nature Study Quarterly,
New Church Review,
New England Historical and Genealogical Register,
New England Magazine,
N. Y. Labor Bureau Bulletin,
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletins,
N. Y. Weather Service Bulletins,
nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Notes on Books,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office,
Outing,
Outlook (American),
Outlook (English),
Poet Lore,
Political Science Quarterly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Public Opinion,

Publishers' Circular,
Publishers' Weekly,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Review,
Review of Reviews,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Rochester Board of Health Reports,
St. Nicholas,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement,
Scientific American, Builders' Edition,
Scribner's Magazine,
Sound Currency,
Spectator,
Stevens' Indicator,
Studio,
Theosophical Review,
University Extension Journal,
Van Nostrand's Monthly Record,
Westermann's Monthly,
Westminster Review,
Writer,
Yale Review.

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS.

American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
Engineering News,
Engineering Record,
Journal of Assoc. of Engineering Societies,
Journal of the Western Society of Engineers,

Locomotive Engineering,
Municipal Engineering,
Proceedings of Engineers' Club of Philadelphia,
Railroad Gazette,
Street Railway Journal.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Albany Medical Annals,
American Journal of Insanity,
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,
American Monthly Microscopical Journal.

Annals of Surgery,
Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,
Archives de Médecine Expérimentale,
Archives de Neurologie,
APPENDIX NO. 3.

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED,

(1, Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Folk-Lore Society, Journal,
American Historical Association, Papers,
American Historical Association, Reports,

American Medical Association, Journal,
American Park and Out-door Art Association, Reports,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Association of Engineering Societies, Journal,
Bellevue Hospital, Society of Alumni, Transactions,
| Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports, | New York Civil Service Reform Association, Reports, |
| Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports, | New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Reports, |
| College Settlements Association, Annual Reports, | New York Historical Society, Collections, |
| Engineers’ Club of Philadelphia, Proceedings, | New York State Bar Association, Reports, |
| Franklin Institute, Journal, | New York State Board of Health, Reports, |
| Hartford Medical Society, Transactions, | New York State Medical Association, Transactions, |
| Indian Rights Association, Reports and Publications, | Oneida Historical Society, Reports, |
| Ipswich Historical Society, Publications, | Peabody Museum, Reports, |
| Kansas State Historical Society, Reports, | Pennsylvania Prison Society, Journal, |
| Maine Genealogical Society, Annual Reports, | Rochester Academy of Medicine, Publications, |
| Maine Historical Society, Collections, | Rochester Academy of Science, Publications, |
| Manchester Museum, | Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics Institute, Catalogue, |
| Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections and Reports, | Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports, |
| Medical Association of Central New York, Reports, | Rochester Historical Society, Publications, |
| Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions, | Rochester Pathological Society, Reports, |
| Michigan State Board of Health, Reports, | Rochester Theological Seminary, |
| Military Service Institution, Journal, | Royal Geographical Society of London, Publications, |
| Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports, | Royal Microscopical Society, Journal, |
| Monroe County Medical Society, Reports, | Smithsonian Institution, Publications, |
| National Civil Service Reform League, Reports, | Society of Naval Architects, Transactions, |
| National Municipal League, | State Charities Aid Association, Reports, |
| National Museum, Reports, | Western Society of Engineers, Journal, |
(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions.

Aguilar Free Library,
Allegheny Carnegie Library,
Amherst College,
Armour Institute of Technology,
Baillie’s Institution Library,
Barnard College,
Belleville Public Library,
Beloit College,
Blackburn Free Library,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston Public Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Bristol Museum and Library,
Brookline Library,
Brooklyn Library,
Brown University,
Buffalo Public Library,
Burlington Public Library,
Cambridge Public Library,
Chicago Public Library,
Cleveland Public Library,
Columbia University,
Cornell University,
Council Bluffs Public Library,
Dayton Public Library,
Detroit Public Library,
District of Columbia Public Library,
Enoch Pratt Library,
Erie Public Library,
Evanston Public Library,
Everett Public Library,
Forbes Library,
Gail Borden Library,
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen Library,
Girard College,
Gloversville Public Library,
Grosvenor Public Library,
Hamilton Public Library,
Hartford Public Library,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
Harvard University,

Hobart College,
Ilium Public Library,
Illinois University,
Iowa Masonic Library,
Jersey City Public Library,
John Crerar Library,
Lawrence Public Library,
Lawrence Scientific School,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
Library of Congress,
Liverpool Public Library,
Lynn Public Library,
Maimonides Library,
Manchester Museum, (Owen’s College),
Milwaukee Public Library,
Minneapolis Public Library,
Mount Holyoke College,
New Haven Public Library,
New Jersey State Library,
New London Public Library,
New Orleans Polyclinic,
New York Free Circulating Library,
New York Public Library,
New York Society Library,
New York State Library,
Newark Public Library,
Newberry Library,
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Library,
Oakland Public Library,
Ohio Wesleyan University,
Omaha Public Library,
Osterhout Free Library,
Otis Library,
Paterson Public Library,
Peoria Public Library,
Philadelphia Public Library,
Pittsburgh Carnegie Library,
Plymouth Public Library,
Portland Public Library,
Pratt Institute Library,
Princeton University,
Providence Athenæum,
Providence Public Library,
St. Louis Mercantile Library,
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St. Paul Public Library,  
Salem Public Library,  
San Francisco Public Library,  
Scranton Public Library,  
Seattle Public Library,  
Springfield City Library,  
Syracuse Public Library,  
Syracuse University,  
Taunton Public Library,  
Tennessee University,  
Toledo Public Library,  
Toronto Public Library,  
University of California,  
University of Chicago,  
University of Illinois,  
University of Michigan,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
University of Rochester,  
University of Tennessee,  
University of the State of New York,  
University of Vermont,  
University of Wisconsin,  
Vassar College,  
Wagner Memorial College,  
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(3) U. S. Government.

STATE DEPARTMENT.

Report of Secretary,  
American Republics, Bureau,  
Commercial Relations,  
Consular Reports (regular and special)  
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Report of Secretary,  
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Surgeon-General's Library, Catalogue,  
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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Report of Secretary,  
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Geological Survey,  
Indian Affairs, Board of Commissioners,  
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AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Report of Secretary,  
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Entomology Division,  
Experiment Stations Office,  
Fiber Investigation Office,  
Foreign Markets Section,  
Forestry Division,  
Library Bulletin,  
Pomology Division,  
Publications Division,
Road Inquiry Office,
Soils Division,
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OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND
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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.
Annual Report,
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(4) State Agricultural Experi-
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(5) New York State Government.
Calendar of Bills,
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ANNUALS.
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American Book Prices Current,
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Annual Literary Index,
Annual Register,
Appleton’s Annual Cyclopædia,
Book Sales,
British Almanac and Companion,
Cumulative Index,
English Catalogue,
Hazell’s Annual,
Minerva, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten
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N. Y. State Clerk’s Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Official Gazette of the Patent
Office Index,
Publisher’s Trade List Annual,
Rochester Directory,
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

Statesman’s Year Book,  
Tribune Almanac,  
Union and Advertiser Year Book,  
U. S. Official Postal Guide,  
Whitaker’s Almanac,  
Who’s Who,  
World Almanac,  
Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS.

Rochester Street Directory,  
United States Blue Book (Official Register).

FIVE YEARLY.

American Catalogue,  
Hinrich’s Bücher Catalog,  
Poole’s Index to Periodicals,  
Reference Catalogue (English).

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CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM.

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DAILY.

Albany Journal,  
Atlanta Constitution,  
Boston Transcript,  
Brooklyn Eagle,  
Buffalo Courier Record,  
Chicago Inter-Ocean,  
Louisville Courier Journal,  
New York Commercial,  
New York Evening Post,  
New York Herald,  
New York Mail and Express,  
New York Sun,  
New York Times,  
New York Tribune,  
Philadelphia Press,  
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,  
Rochester Herald,  
Rochester Post Express,  
Rochester Union and Advertiser,  
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,  
San Francisco Chronicle,  
Toronto Globe,  
Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY.

American Machinist,  
Argonaut,  
Army and Navy Journal,  
Art Interchange,  
Atlantic,  
Bon Ton,  
Century,  
Chautauquan,  
Cosmopolitan,  
Costume Royal,  
Current History,  
Delineator,  
Eclectic Magazine,  
Engineering and Mining Journal,  
Forest and Stream,  
Forum,  
Good Housekeeping,  
Harper’s Bazar,  
Harper’s Magazine,  
Harper’s Weekly,  
Illustrated London News,  
Iron Age,  
Ladies’ Home Journal,  
Leslie’s Monthly,  
Leslie’s Weekly,  
Life,  
Lippincott’s Magazine,  
London Times (Weekly),  
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SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT:

VOLS.  PAMS.
Wright, Mrs. Alfred .............................................. 15
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Total .............................................................. 1,232 2,106

Alling, Mrs. William .............................................. 75 numbers of periodicals
Angell, Dr. E. B. ..................................................... 93 numbers of periodicals
Averell, Mrs. W. H. ............................................... 76 numbers of periodicals
Buell, Mrs. Alice E. .............................................. 23 numbers of periodicals
Burke, William B. ................................................... 52 numbers of periodicals
Chappell, Mrs. W. ................................................... 13 numbers of periodicals
Craig, Mrs. Oscar .................................................... 295 numbers of periodicals
Ely, Dr. W. S. ................................................................ 142 numbers of periodicals
Ely, Mrs. W. S. .......................................................... 87 numbers of periodicals
Hawley, Miss G. L. .................................................... 76 numbers of periodicals
Landsberg, Dr. Max ................................................... 71 numbers of periodicals
Moore, Dr. R. M. ....................................................... 137 numbers of periodicals
Moses, Fred ............................................................... 2 numbers of periodicals
Newell, Mrs. Frank .................................................... 427 numbers of periodicals
Peck, William F. ....................................................... 55 numbers of periodicals
Whitbeck, J. B. .......................................................... 6 numbers of periodicals
Wolcott, Mrs. Ann E. .................................................. 41 numbers of periodicals
Wright, Mrs. Alfred .................................................... 678 numbers of periodicals

THE FOLLOWING PERIODICALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS GIFTS.
Abendpost und Beobachter, from ................................ Publishers
Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletins from the following States:
Arkansas, California, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts,
New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah,
Vermont, Wisconsin, and also from the U. S. Department of
Agriculture at Washington.
Albany Medical Annals, from ................................ Publishers
American Gardening, from ........................................ George Ellwanger
American Homes, from ............................................. Publishers
Association Review, from .......................................... Publishers
Book Reviews, from ................................................ Publishers
Boston Public Library Bulletin, from ......................... Boston Public Library
Brookline Library Bulletin, from       Brookline Public Library
Bulletin of Bibliography, from        Boston Book Co.
Catholic Champion, from               Publishers
Charities, from                      N. Y. Charity Organization Society
Christian Science Journal, from       Publishers
Christian Science Sentinel, from      Publishers
Church Work, from                    Publishers
Columbia University Quarterly, from    Columbia University
Cook's Excursionist, from             Publishers
Democrat and Chronicle (2 copies),    Publishers
Educational Gazette, from             Publishers
Garden, from                         George Ellwanger
Gardener's Chronicle, from            George Ellwanger
Gardener's Magazine, from             George Ellwanger
Hospital Leaflet, from                Rochester Homœopathic Hospital
Hospital News, from                   St. Mary's Hospital
Hospital Review, from                 Rochester City Hospital
Illinois University Studies, from     Illinois University
Iowa Masonic Library Bulletin, from   Publishers
Legal Bibliography, from              Boston Book Co.
Library News, from                    Newark Public Library
Library News Letter, from             Osterhout Free Library
Library Record, from                  Jersey City Public Library
Literary News, from                   Publishers
Literary World, from                  Publishers
Living Church, from                   A. S. Marsh
Montana Daily Record, from            Publishers
Nature Study Quarterly, from          Cornell University
New Church Review, from               Publishers
New Haven Library Bulletin, from      New Haven Public Library
New York Public Library Bulletin, from New York Public Library
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Labor Bureau Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Weather Service Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
Notes on Books, from                  Macmillan Co.
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from U. S. Government
Omaha Library Bulletin, from          Omaha Public Library
Otis Library Bulletin, from           Otis Library
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Philadelphia Library Bulletin, from Philadelphia Public Library
Pittsburgh Library Bulletin, from Pittsburgh Carnegie Library
Post-Express (2 copies), from Publishers
Providence Library Bulletin, from Providence Public Library
Pythian Knight, from Publishers
Rochester Health Reports, from Rochester Board of Health
Rochester Presbytery News, from Rochester Presbytery
Rochester Weather Bureau Reports, from Orin Parker
Rochester Herald (2 copies), from Publishers
Salem Library Bulletin, from Salem Public Library
Salvation, from Publishers
San Francisco Library Bulletin, from San Francisco Public Library
Sanitarian, from Henry Lomb
Social Crusader, from J. H. Ellerblock
Sound Currency, from Publishers
Springfield Library Bulletin, from Springfield City Library
Stevens Indicator, from Stevens Institute of Technology
Tennessee University Record, from Tennessee University
Theosophical Review, from Publishers
Union and Advertiser (2 copies), from Publishers
U. S. Consular Reports, from U. S. Government
U. S. Public Documents Catalogue, from U. S. Government
U. S. Statistical Bureau Bulletin, from U. S. Government
U. S. Weather Crop Bulletin, from U. S. Government
University Extension Journal, from Publishers
University of Wisconsin Bulletins, from University of Wisconsin
APPENDIX NO. 6.

STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY.

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<td>REYNOLDS LIBRARY</td>
<td>REYNOLDS READING ROOM</td>
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<td>3,166</td>
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<td>November,</td>
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Whole number of readers: 61,041
Whole number of books drawn: 29,858

*The Reynolds Library was closed during August; the Reynolds Arcade Reading Room during the last two weeks of that month.
APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

(For the Year Ending Sept. 30th, 1901.)

EXPENDITURES.

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Total: $9,406.09
EDWARD MOTT MOORE, M. D.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FROM 1890-1902

DIED MARCH 25, 1902
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

REYNOLDS LIBRARY

ROCHESTER, N. Y.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1902

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DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE PRESS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES—1902-1903

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*Edward M. Moore, William R. Taylor,
Samuel Sloan, Albert H. Harris,
Frederick A. Whittlesey, Rush Rhees,
Cyrus F. Paine, William E. Werner,
William F. Peck,

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PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
CYRUS F. PAINE,
JOSIAH ANSTICE,

LIBRARY COMMITTEE,
HENRY F. BURTON,
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,

FINANCE COMMITTEE,
SAMUEL SLOAN,
GEORGE ELLWANGER,

BUILDING COMMITTEE,
RUFUS A. SIBLEY,
WILLIAM E. WERNER,

* Died March 2, 1902.
LIBRARY STAFF

LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
WILLIAM C. MOREY.

REYNOLDS LIBRARY (150 Spring St.)

Alfred S. Collins, Librarian.
Anne R. Collins, Assistant Librarian.
Richard H. D'Olier, Shelving Department.
Jessie A. Stewart, Circulating Department.
Lily E. Stewart, Assistant Cataloguer.
George J. Wagner, Attendant.
John J. Baker, Janitor.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade.)

Helen M. Sprague, Superintendent.
In Memoriam

EDWARD MOTT MOORE, M. D.

Dr. Moore was elected President of the Board of Trustees in 1890 and continued in office until his death.

At a meeting of the trustees held March 4, 1902, the following memorial was adopted:

"The Trustees of the Reynolds Library mourn the loss of their chief.

"Edward Mott Moore, their President, died on March third, at the age of eighty-eight.

"The selection by the founder of this corporation of Dr. Moore as one of the charter members and his elevation by his associates to the office of President were each the natural, indeed the necessary, sequence of his position in this community; for he was pre-eminent in public spirit, and had with a rare intelligence devoted care and thought and labor to the well-being in countless ways of this city of his love. And wherever he was placed he was easily first, not only by reason of his noble presence, his exquisite graciousness of manner, but more than all by the fervor of his devotion to all beneficent ends. In the prosecution of the objects of this Library his associates have been witnesses and now gladly testify to the enthusiasm, the sagacity, the confident and cheerful faith in its aims with which his duties have been discharged. He was in the fullest sympathy with the intent and purpose indicated by the charter of this Library, believing that in its fruition it would become the key and the crown of other public institutions or movements with which he was so prominently associated, and so he gave it faithful service."
"He had by much exceeded that terminal *fourscore* which the psalmist has assigned as the utmost limit of human life, and yet his latter day strength has been neither labor nor sorrow, but refreshment and a joy, both to him and to his associates here, and they desire to share their mourning with that of the whole community at the loss of one whom none will dissent from naming the *first citizen of Rochester*.''

F. A. WHITTLESEY,

*Committee.*

W. F. PECK, *Secretary.*
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—The Library Committee herewith submit their Seventeenth Annual Report.

At the last annual meeting there were reported as catalogued and placed on the shelves of the Library 48,038 volumes. There have been received during the past year by purchase 1,162 vols., by gift 1,001 vols., by exchange 5 vols. There have been condemned 90 vols., and lost 6 vols., making the total net number of accessions 2,072 vols. The present number of volumes upon the shelves of the Library is 50,110. This increase in the number added to our shelves is about the same as for the previous year, and it is nearly as large as is possible with our present force of cataloguers. It is to be borne in mind that the details of work upon each volume involve inspection to ascertain that the copy is perfect in condition, selection of the appropriate class and subject, entry in the register with all detail of price, publisher, etc., and making and comparing of at least five cards for a reference book and two additional for one of circulation, all writing to be in the distinct and beautiful Library script which we have adopted for our practice. This is all work which requires time and skill and can not be greatly hastened without sacrifice of that accuracy without which all labor in a Library would be worthless.

The Committee has during the year maintained in view the plan heretofore outlined in their later annual reports of gradually establishing a Reference Library as their end and in the sense in which they employ that term. It has seemed to them that in view of the fact that the city is providing for the requirements of that large class of borrowers who seek for the freshest and most miscellaneous of the productions of the press, and particularly for the popular fiction of the passing moment, and also with a perception of the establishment here of the Booklovers’ Library and other kindred means of procuring the loan of much of the lighter literature of the day, that this ground was
sufficiently occupied in this community. There remained to be provided a collection of books which those should seek whose aims and tastes prompted to study and research, in short, a Library of Reference; and it is in this direction that the committee has proceeded.

It is proper, however, that further explanation and elucidation should be made of the plan adopted, since the term "Reference Library" by itself seems to produce, and perhaps naturally, an impression of ponderous solemnity and practical inaccessibility. And this impression arises in great part from the practice, until within this generation very generally pursued, of so building and so conducting large libraries as fully to warrant the feeling. It is easy to recall the spectacle, the very large and very lofty apartments badly lighted and worse heated, with shelves extending from floor to ceiling, evidently better adapted to the display than to the use of books, and with galleries and circular stairs giving access to attendants but not to readers; the catalogue necessarily imperfect, since it was printed and could not by possibility be up to the date of consultation, the few, possibly very learned, but certainly very slow, assistants, the late hours for opening, and the early time of closing, since artificial light was not permitted on the ground that it was an injury to the books, no works accessible in the absence of written request except an English dictionary and a city directory; such were the aspects of the Institution of a former day, which are well described as being receptacles for the cold storage of books and knowledge. With methods leading to results such as these it is not of course necessary to say that the Committee has no sympathy; indeed these have been abandoned by almost every large library, at least in this country, although Europe still preserves examples of this fossilization, curious as specimens but warning as beacons of courses to be shunned. The precise contrary of these has been the direction of our efforts. A well lighted, ventilated and warmed apartment, the largest attainable in our building, open twelve hours each secular day and the afternoons of Sundays, with a card catalogue of both author and subject supplementary to the printed catalogue of recent date, with all books therein accessible to every comer and not beyond reach from the floor, composed of selections of all standard works for which experience has shown the largest demand, and all such as that experience has demonstrated to be less in daily request procurable
from adjoining rooms by attendants trained to their business and yet young enough not to be slow in movement; while in the same room are placed the last numbers of the leading monthly and quarterly periodicals of this country and England, and one or more of the better of the magazines of France and Germany; to all this we have attained, and all further development has been forecast by us in this direction and with this aim.

Subsidiary to this is the department of circulation, for it is in no manner sought to deprive readers of the privilege of taking to their homes such works as are not purely of a reference character and to which such circulation, must, of course, be denied. In selecting such books, however, the Committee has limited its quest to such as are in their nature supplementary of the reference books, or are by reason of merit entitled to the epithet of genuine literature, including that portion of fiction of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries which by universal consent has become recognized as excellent and as permanent contributions to that important class of writing. In this branch of Belles Lettres the Library is reasonably complete, the only later additions being such of the productions of the present time as seem most likely to be admitted by posterity to be worthy of place amongst the elect. Then we have upon our shelves, and shall continue to supply for circulation, the large class of contemporary history, biography and travel, together with a conservative selection from the best and latest scientific, philosophic and literary works as they appear.

It is on these principles that our selection of accessions has for many years been based, with many errors of judgment, doubtless, both in approval and rejection, but with the earnest and sustained purpose of making this collection useful and instructive to the reading community, and in fulfillment, as they believe, of the purposes of its Founder—providing a place of comfortable and pleasant resort for those desiring instruction rather than for that class who only seek for amusement; and hence it has resulted that the numbers of Reference books on our shelves exceed those of Circulation. We are convinced that by this scheme we are following in letter and spirit the admonitions prescribed by our By-Laws which enact that this Committee is to devote itself to "the organization and adoption of such methods as will make the contents of the Library most useful to the public."
It is gratifying to notice a sustained increase in the number of Reference books used, and that the affiliation with local societies to which we have often called your attention is maintained in undiminished vigor. Especially is this notable in the case of the Rochester Society of Engineers and the Rochester Academy of Medicine. Here our Library is gradually advancing to an adequate supply of needs heretofore unfilled in our city. The professions of theology and of law have for a generation had Libraries wisely selected and ample in size. The Medical and Engineering professions were compelled to rely solely upon such private collections as their members had accumulated. A new and long wished for method of supplying this pressing need was presented to each when under the affiliation plan heretofore reported they became associates with us in the formation and sustentation of Libraries for each. The Academy of Medicine has now about 3,500 volumes in its collection, to a large extent made up of bound volumes of the leading periodicals of America and Europe, which they have determined upon as being the best expenditure of the fund to which we jointly and equally contribute. The only problem that now confronts both them and this Committee is the provision of room for the shelving of their increasing collection.

The Engineering Society, although its association with the Library is of a much later date than that of the Physicians, is in a healthy condition and evinces excellent progress in its work. During the past year they have added to their collection many of the most useful, expensive and valuable works upon the subjects in which their profession is interested; and now in many branches their collection may be said to be reasonably complete and up to date. In addition to their purchases they have on their shelves the Library of one of their profession who has left the city, which has been deposited with them for the use of the Society. A catalogue has recently been published by them containing all the works in the Library (including those which we had already selected for our own shelves) presenting the titles of about six hundred volumes, which are very satisfactory figures for a collection so recently begun. The Committee have been given to understand through officers of the Society that there is a desire upon the part of the Architects to become in like manner affiliated with the Library, and it has been suggested that perhaps the
better project would be to associate themselves with the Society of Engineers, inasmuch as the professions have much in common under present building conditions; and this course is likely to be accomplished. In that event a larger appropriation would of course become necessary, and negotiations to that effect are now pending. Either of these organizations is not only willing but anxious to duplicate any appropriation made by the Library for the purchase of books.

During the past year the Library has received a large number of gifts of books, pamphlets, etc. Special mention may be made of the following: Hon. W. W. Armstrong, 122 vols.; J. Dewitt Butts, 16 vols.; Frederick F. Church, 25 vols.; Miss Cornelia A. Conklin, 29 vols.; Dr. C. A. Dewey, 39 vols.; The Drew-Allis Co., 49 vols.; Dr. B. L. Hovey, a Portfolio of rare maps of the U. S. Civil War; Geo. P. Humphrey, 30 vols.; Estate of E. H. Hurd, 131 vols.; Dr. Max Landsberg, 25 vols.; Dr. M. E. Leary, 627 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. W. S. Little, 1,118 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. C. L. McKindley, 1,077 numbers of periodicals; Massachusetts Labor Statistics Bureau, 30 vols.; Dr. G. R. Montgomery, 55 vols.; N. Y. State Government, 104 vols.; Hon. J. Breck Perkins, 29 vols.; Dr. W. S. Rambo, 21 vols.; U. S. Government, 115 vols.; Dr. L. W. Rose, 1,245 numbers of periodicals; S. B. Williams, 196 vols.; also two copies each of the following Rochester newspapers from the publishers: Democrat and Chronicle, Post-Express, Rochester Herald, Union and Advertiser.

This report is supplemented by the usual appendices, giving detailed statistics regarding the work of the Library.

FRED. A. WHITTLESEY,
MAX LANDSEBERG,
HENRY F. BURTON,
Library Committee.
APPENDIX NO. 1

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY

Those Meeting at the Library

Arethusa Society, Fortnightly.
Associated Debating Society, Weekly.
College Women's Club, Fortnightly.
Lady Managers Hahnemann Hospital, Monthly.
Livingston Park Seminary Class, Weekly.
Local Council of Women, Occasionally.
Miss Blackall's Class in English, Fortnightly.
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Weekly.
Rochester Engineering Society, Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society, Quarterly.
Theosophical Society, Weekly.
Women's Saturday Club, Fortnightly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance

Brick Church Institute Classes.
Chautauqua Circle.
Class in Art, City Training School.
Council of Jewish Women.
Daughters of the American Revolution.
Dr. Leary's Class in Zoölogy.
High School Class in English.
High School Class in French.
Mechanics' Institute Classes.
Miss Chapin's Class in History.
Mrs. Hall's Art Class.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Travelers' Club.
Women's Missionary Society.
APPENDIX NO. 2

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM

Academy,
American Architect,
American Gardening,
American Historical Review,
American Homes,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Science,
American Journal of Sociology,
American Museum Journal,
American Naturalist,
American Review of Reviews,
Antiquary,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Art Amateur,
Art Journal,
Art Workers' Quarterly,
Association Review,
Astrophysical Journal,
Athenæum,
Atlantic Monthly,
Blackwood's Magazine,
Book Buyer,
Bookman,
Bookseller,
Bulletin of Bibliography,
Catholic World,
Century,
Charities,
Chautauquan,
Chicago Statistics,
Christian Science Journal,
Christian Science Sentinel,
Church Work,
Churchman,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Congressional Record,
Contemporary Review,
Cook's Excursionist,
Cosmopolitan,
Country Life in America,
Critic,
Cumulative Index,
Current History,
Deutsche Rundschau,
Dial,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardener's Chronicle,
Gardener's Magazine,
Handicraft,
Harper's Magazine,
Home and Flowers,
Hospital Leaflet,
Hospital News,
Hospital Review,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Review,
International Journal of Ethics,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk Lore,
Journal of Geology,
Journal of Political Economy,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Legal Bibliography,
Library Journal,
Library News,
Library News Letter,
Library Record,
Literary News,
Literary World,
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ENGINEERING PERIODICALS

MEDICAL PERIODICALS

Albany Medical Annals,  
American Journal of Insanity,  
American Journal of Obstetrics,  
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,  
American Monthly Microscopical Journal,  
Annals of Surgery,  
Archiv für Pathologische Anatome,  
Archives de Médecine Experimentale,  
Archives de Neurologie,  
Archives of Ophthalmology,  
Archives of Otology,  
Archives of Pediatrics,  
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,  
Birmingham Medical Review,  
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,  
Brain,  
Braithwaite’s Retrospect,  
British Journal of Dermatology,  
British Medical Journal,  
Bulletin of Johns Hopkins Hospital,  
Chicago Medical Recorder,  
Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,  
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,  
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,  
Dublin Journal of Medical Science,  
Edinburgh Medical Journal,  
Gazette Hebdomadaire de Médecine,  

Indian Medical Gazette,  
Intercolonial Medical Journal,  
International Journal of Surgery,  
International Medical Magazine,  
Journal of Experimental Medicine,  
Journal of Pathology and Bacteriology,  
Journal of the American Medical Association,  
Journal of Laryngology,  
Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease,  
Journal of Ophthalmology,  
Lancet,  
Lyon Médical,  
Medical News,  
Medical Press and Circular,  
Medical Record,  
Medical Review of Reviews,  
Medico-Legal Journal,  
Monatshefte für Praktische Dermatologie,  
Montreal Medical Journal,  
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,  
New York Medical Journal,  
Ophthalmic Review,  
Practitioner,  
Progrès Médical,  
Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,  
Revue de Chirurgie,  
Revue de Médecine,  
Sanitarian,  
Therapeutic Gazette,  
Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift.
APPENDIX NO. 3

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Folk-Lore Society, Journal,
American Historical Association, Papers,
American Historical Association, Reports,
American Medical Association, Journal,
American Park and Out-door Art Association, Reports,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Association of Engineering Societies, Journal,
Bellevue Hospital, Society of Alumni, Transactions,
Buffalo Historical Society, Annual Reports,
Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports,
Cayuga Co. Historical Society, Proceedings,
Chicago Library Club,
College Settlements Association, Annual Reports,
Connecticut State Board of Health,

Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, Proceedings,
Franklin Institute, Journal,
Hartford Medical Society, Transactions,
Indian Rights Association, Reports and Publications,
Ipswich Historical Society, Publications,
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports,
Maine Genealogical Society, Annual Reports,
Maine Historical Society, Collections,
Manchester Museum,
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections and Reports,
Medical Association of Central New York, Reports,
Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions,
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports,
Military Service Institution, Journal,
Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports,
Monroe County Medical Society, Reports,
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports,
National Municipal League,
National Museum, Reports,
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Proceedings,
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports,
New York Civil Service Reform Association, Reports,
New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Reports,
New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,
New York State Board of Health, Reports,
New York State Medical Association, Transactions,
Oneida Historical Society, Reports,
Peabody Museum, Reports,
Peace Association of Friends, Publications,
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Journal,
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Publications,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Rochester Pathological Society, Reports,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Publications,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,
State Charities Aid Association, Reports,
Western Society of Engineers, Journal,
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Proceedings.

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions

Aguilar Free Library,
Allegheny Carnegie Library,
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Armour Institute of Technology,
Barnard College,
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Forbes Library,
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen Library,
Gloversville Public Library,
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Hobart College,
Illinois University,
Iowa Masonic Library,
Jersey City Public Library,
John Crerar Library,
Lawrence Public Library,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

Library of Congress, Lynn Public Library, Maimonides Library, Manchester Museum, (Owen’s College), Milwaukee Public Library, Minneapolis Public Library, Mount Holyoke College, New Haven Public Library, New Jersey State Library, New London Public Library, New York Public Library, New York Society Library, New York State Library, Newark Public Library, Newberry Library, Newcastle-upon-Tyne Library, Omaha Public Library, Osterhout Free Library, Otis Library, Paterson Public Library, Peoria Public Library, Philadelphia Public Library, Pittsburgh Carnegie Library, Plymouth Public Library, Portland Public Library, Pratt Institute Library, Princeton University, Providence Athenæum, Providence Public Library, Rochester Theological Seminary, St. Louis Mercantile Library, St. Louis Public Library, St. Paul Public Library, Salem Public Library, San Francisco Public Library, Scranton Public Library, Seattle Public Library, Springfield City Library, Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse University, Taunton Public Library, Tennessee University, Toledo Public Library, Toronto Public Library, University of California, University of Chicago, University of Illinois, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, University of Rochester, University of Tennessee, University of the State of New York, University of Vermont, University of Wisconsin, Vassar College, Wagner Memorial College, Washington Public Library, Wellesley College, Wilmington Institute, Worcester Public Library, Yale University.

(3) U. S. Government
STATE DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary, American Republics, Bureau, Commercial Relations, Consular Reports (regular and special), Rolls and Library Bureau.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WAR DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary, Division of Insular Affairs, Engineer’s Office, Surgeon-General’s Library, Catalogue, War of Rebellion, Records,
INTERIOR DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary,
Census Office,
Education, Bureau,
Geological Survey,
Indian Affairs, Board of Commissioners,
Indian Affairs, Commissioner,
Land Office,
Miscellaneous Reports,
Patent Office Publications,
Pension Office,
Railroad Commissioners.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary,
Agrostology, Division,
Animal Industry, Bureau,
Biological Survey Division,
Botany Division,
Chemistry, Bureau,
Crop Reports,
Entomology Division,
Experiment Stations Office,
Fiber Investigation Office,
Foreign Markets Section,
Forestry Division,
Library Bulletin,
Pomology Division,
Publications Division,
Road Inquiry Office,
Soils Division,
Statistics Division,
Vegetable Pathology Division,
Miscellaneous,
Miscellaneous Circulars.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND BUREAUS
Civil Service Commission,
Fish Commission,
Interstate Commerce Commission,
Labor Department,
Public Printing Office (Remainder Depository).

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
Annual Report,
Contributions to Knowledge,
Miscellaneous Collections,
National Museum, Bulletins,
National Museum, Proceedings,

(4) State Agricultural Experiment Stations
Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station,
California " "
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(5) New York State Government
Calendar of Bills,
Laws of New York,
Senate and Assembly Documents,
Charities, State Board of,
Civil Service Commission,
Comptroller,
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Factory Inspector,
Forest Preserve Board,
Health, State Board of,
Insurance Department,
Labor Statistics, Bureau of,
Lunacy Commission,
Mediation and Arbitration, Board of,
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

Public Instruction, Sup't,
Railroad Commissioners, Board
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Statutory Revision, Commissio-
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Treasurer,
University of the State of New
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Weather Service.

(6) Other Serials

ANNUALS
Almanach de Gotha,
American Book Prices Current,
Annual American Catalogue,
Annual Literary Index,
Annual Register,
Appleton’s Annual Cyclopædia,
Book Sales,
British Almanac and Companion,
Church of England Year Book,
Commercial Year Book,
Cumulative Index,
English Catalogue,
Hazell’s Annual,
Minerva, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt,
N. Y. State Clerk’s Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office Index,
Publisher’s Trade List Annual,
Review of Historical Publications Relating to Canada,
Rochester Directory,
Statesman’s Year Book,
Tribune Almanac,
Union and Advertiser Year Book,
Whitaker’s Almanac,
Who’s Who,
World Almanac,
Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS
Rochester Street Directory,
United States Blue Book (Official Register).

FIVE YEARLY
American Catalogue,
Hinrich’s Bücher Catalog,
Poole’s Index to Periodicals,
Reference Catalogue (English).

APPENDIX NO. 4

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM

Room 118, Reynolds Arcade

DAILY
Albany Journal,
Atlanta Constitution,
Boston Transcript,
Brooklyn Eagle,
Buffalo Express,
Chicago Inter-Ocean,
Louisville Courier Journal,
New York Commercial,
New York Evening Post,
New York Herald,
New York Mail and Express,
New York Sun,
New York Times,
New York Tribune,
Philadelphia Press,
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,
Rochester Herald,
Rochester Post-Express,
Rochester Union and Advertiser,
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
San Francisco Chronicle,  
Toronto Globe,  
Washington Post.  

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY  
American Machinist,  
American Review of Reviews,  
Argonaut,  
Army and Navy Journal,  
Art Interchange,  
Atlantic Monthly,  
Bon Ton,  
Century,  
Chautauquan,  
Cosmopolitan,  
Costume Royal,  
Current History,  
Delineator,  
Engineering and Mining Journal,  
Forest and Stream,  
Forum,  
Good Housekeeping,  
Harper's Bazar,  
Harper's Magazine,  
Harper's Weekly,  
Illustrated London News,  
Iron Age,  
Ladies' Home Journal,  
Leslie's Monthly,  
Leslie's Weekly,  
Life,  
Lippincott's Magazine,  
London Times (Weekly),  
McClure's Magazine,  
Munsey's Magazine,  
Musical Courier,  
New England Magazine,  
New York Dramatic Mirror,  
New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,  
North American Review,  
Outing,  
Outlook,  
Overland Monthly,  
Pall Mall Magazine,  
Popular Science Monthly,  
Scientific American,  
Scientific American Supplement,  
Scribner's Magazine,  
Table Talk,  
Toilettes,  
Wiener Mode Zeitung,  
Young Ladies' Journal.

APPENDIX NO. 5  
GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY, 1901-1902  

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Aguilar Free Library,  1  
Allegheny Public Library,  1  
American Free Trade League,  1  
Amherst College,  1  
Amiraux, Frank  1  
Angell, Dr. E. B.  1  
Armour Institute of Technology,  1  
Armstrong, Hon. W. W.  122  13  
Averell, W. H.  2  
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Landsberg, Dr. Max  12 numbers of periodicals
Leary, Dr. M. E.  627 numbers of periodicals
Little, Mrs. W. S.  1,118 numbers of periodicals
Mac Arthur, Ida L.  35 numbers of periodicals
McKindley, Mrs. C. L.  1,077 numbers of periodicals
Moore, Dr. Richard M.  118 numbers of periodicals
PERIODICALS RECEIVED AS GIFTS

Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletins from the following States:
Arkansas, California, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts,
New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah,
Vermont, Wisconsin, and also from the U. S. Department of
Agriculture at Washington.

Albany Medical Annals, from
American Gardening, from
American Homes, from
American Museum Journal, from
Association Review, from
Boston Public Library Bulletin, from
Brookline Library Bulletin, from
Bulletin of Bibliography, from
Chicago Statistics, from
Christian Science Journal, from
Christian Science Sentinel, from
Churchman, from
Church Work, from
Columbia University Quarterly, from
Congressional Record (daily), from
Cook's Excursionist, from
Democrat and Chronicle (2 copies), from
Educational Gazette, from
Garden, from
Gardener's Chronicle, from,
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Gardener's Magazine, from
Hospital Leaflet, from
Hospital News, from
Hospital Review, from
Iowa Masonic Library Bulletin, from
Legal Bibliography, from
Library News, from
Library News Letter, from
Library Record, from
Literary News, from
Literary World, from
Living Church, from
Montana Daily Record, from
New Church Review, from
New Haven Library Bulletin, from
New York Public Library Bulletin, from
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from
N. Y. State Labor Bureau Bulletin, from
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from
Omaha Library Bulletin, from
Otis Library Bulletin, from
Philadelphia Library Bulletin, from
Pittsburgh Library Bulletin, from
Post-Express (2 copies), from
Pratt Institute Library Bulletin, from
Providence Library Bulletin, from
Pythian Knight, from
Rochester Health Reports, from
Rochester Weather Bureau Reports, from
Rochester Herald (2 copies), from
Salem Library Bulletin, from
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George Ellwanger
Rochester Homœopathic Hospital
St. Mary's Hospital
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J. H. Ellerblock
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Stevens Institute of Technology
Teachers' Sanitary Bulletin, from Michigan State Board of Health
Tennessee University Record, from Tennessee University Publishers
Theosophical Review, from Publishers
Union and Advertiser (2 copies), from Publishers
U. S. Consular Reports, from U. S. Government
U. S. Public Documents Catalogue, from U. S. Government
U. S. Statistical Bureau Bulletin, from U. S. Government
U. S. Weather Crop Bulletin, from U. S. Government
University Extension Journal, from Publishers
University of Wisconsin Bulletin, from University of Wisconsin
Vick's Family Magazine, from Publishers
## APPENDIX NO. 6

### STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

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Whole number of readers, 58,497
Whole number of books drawn, 29,301

*The Reynolds Library was closed during August; the Reynolds Arcade Reading Room during the last two weeks of that month.
APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

(For the Year Ending Sept. 30th, 1902)

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OF THE

REYNOLDS LIBRARY

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FOR EIGHT MONTHS ENDING MAY 31ST, 1903

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Jessie A. Stewart, - - Circulating Department.
Lily E. Stewart, - - Assistant Cataloguer.
John J. Baker, - - - Janitor.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade.)

Helen M. Sprague, - - Superintendent.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The recently adopted By-laws of the Library require the Library Committee "to present at the annual meeting of the Board a written report giving a general survey of the work of the Committee during the year." In consequence of the change of date of the annual meeting from October to June, the present report covers a period of eight months only—from October 1, 1902, to June 1, 1903. During the first six months of that period, viz., until April 13, 1903, the Library Committee consisted of Max Landsberg, Henry F. Burton and William F. Peck. We are informed by the Chairman, Dr. Landsberg, that during that time no changes of policy or methods of administration took place that require mention in the annual report.

The first duty of the present Committee after their appointment on April 13, 1903, was the adjustment of the relations between the Committee and the Library Director in harmony with the new definition of the functions of each in the revised By-laws. The Director was invited to attend the regular meetings of the Committee, and present in person all matters requiring the Committee's action. In response to the request of the Director for fuller instructions as to his duties in reference to the purchase of books, under Art. III., Sec. 2 (4) of the By-laws, the Committee took the following action:—

"The Library Committee desires the Director to assume responsibility for the suggestion of books to be purchased for the Library, and requests him to include in the lists submitted at
the meetings of the Committee (1) such newly published books as are suitable for addition to the Library, and (2) such other books as are needed to bring the Library up to date.

The Committee also requests the Director to furnish them information regarding each book recommended by him for purchase, upon as many of the following points as practicable:

I. As to the character of the book: (1) The Director's own opinion of books with which he is personally familiar. (2) The reputation of the writer as an authority on the subject of which the book treats. (3) The opinion of competent reviewers, with the name of the periodical containing the review. (4) The opinion of the authorities of other libraries concerning the book, with indication of the general character of the library cited.

II. As to the need of the book in the Library: (1) To what extent the Library is supplied with works on the general subject treated in the book. (2) The names of persons or organizations that have requested or recommended the purchase of the book. (3) Reasons not included above for thinking it desirable to add the book to the Library."

Certain recommendations of the Library Director respecting the re-arrangement of the Card Catalogue have received the approval of the Committee and the purchase of the necessary catalogue cases has been authorized. The nature of the changes in the Card Catalogue, and the reasons for their adoption, are fully explained in the accompanying report of the Director.

Recognizing the importance of interesting the reading public in the Library, the Committee has approved a method suggested by the Director of bringing to the notice of readers the titles of all newly acquired books. An arrangement has been made with the Rochester Post-Express by which classified lists of recent additions to the Library shall from time to time be published in that paper without expense to us. Copies of these printed lists in the form of a neat leaflet are then furnished to the Library at slight cost, for free distribution. One such Bulletin, including books added during April and May, has already been issued. In like manner Reference Lists prepared at the Library upon subjects of current interest are to be published in the Post-Express and
afterward issued separately. The lists of books on Nature Study, recently published in that paper, is an example of such Reference Lists.

The Committee desire to call the attention of the Board to the statistics contained in the Director's annual report exhibiting the steady decline in the number of visitors at the Library and Reading Room during the past six years. Whatever be the causes of this decline, the fact that fewer persons are each year making use of the Library suggests at least the propriety of efforts such as those just mentioned to inform the citizens of Rochester regarding the resources of the Library.

Your special attention is also invited to the considerations urged by the Director in his report in favor of again opening the Reading Room in the Arcade during the evening. The Committee recommend that the time of closing the Arcade Reading Room be changed from six to ten o'clock P. M., thus restoring the hours that prevailed prior to the year 1900, viz. from ten o'clock A. M. to ten P. M.

The estimate of the funds needed for the maintenance of the Library and Reading Room for the coming year has been submitted by the Library Director and approved by the Committee. The total amount is the same as that appropriated last year.

HENRY F. BURTON,
ALBERT H. HARRIS,
W. R. TAYLOR,

Library Committee.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The report herewith submitted covers the record of the eighteen year in the history of the Reynolds Library. While the year just closed may not show the attendance of readers or the number of books drawn to be equal to that of some other years, it is believed that the work accomplished is fully equal to that of any previous year. Equal care has been exercised in the purchase of books to satisfy the wants of the reading public and equal zeal has been shown in lending assistance to those who have occasion to use the Library.

Accessions to the Library.—The last annual report showed the number of volumes on the shelves of the Library to be 50,110. There have been received during the past year by purchase 1,033 volumes, by gift 450 volumes, by exchange 1 volume; there have been condemned or lost 93 volumes, making a net increase of 1,391 volumes. The total number of volumes now upon the shelves is 51,501. This number comprises only the volumes actually catalogued and shelved. The books added during the past year have been to a large extent purchased from the latest English and American publications, and have covered the various departments of literature and science. Efforts have been made to keep the most important encyclopædic works up to date. The latest edition of the German Encyclopædia of Brockhaus is being placed upon the shelves as fast as the volumes appear. The great French encyclopædia, La Grande Encyclopédie, has also been added to the Reference Department. The last part of Lanciani's great work on the topography of Rome has been received, completing this valuable contribution to archaeological literature. Other important works have been purchased for the Reference Department. The wants of special classes of students have been considered and
supplied so far as possible; and the more important standard works in general literature have been obtained for the general reader as these books have appeared upon the publishers’ lists.

The periodical publication of a list of the new books added to the Library will, it is believed, call the attention of the public to the opportunities afforded by the Library, and will tend to encourage its use by the public. This list, after its publication in the newspapers, may be put into the form of a booklet for free distribution, which may be done at very little expense.

*Affiliated Clubs and Societies.*—The Library has given its usual assistance to the affiliated clubs and societies with which it is related. Special mention should be made of the work of the Rochester Society of Engineers, which has shown its great appreciation of the co-operative relations which have been established between it and the Library. This Society has taken full advantage of the proposal of the Trustees to duplicate the sum raised by it for the purchase of books. The books in the engineering department have thus acquired the character of a valuable and well selected collection. A separate catalogue of these books has been prepared by the Library and printed in a neat pamphlet form at the expense of the Society. The excellent work of this Society and its zealous use of the opportunities presented to it by the Library are specially worthy of commendation. The satisfactory relations previously existing between the Rochester Academy of Medicine and the Library continue to be maintained. Besides these societies there are about ten others, including the Rochester Historical Society, the College Women’s Club, the Women’s Saturday Club, which hold regular meetings at the Library, and about fourteen other associations to which the Library is giving special assistance. These facts are briefly mentioned to show that the policy adopted several years ago of maintaining a close relation with the literary and scientific societies of the city has been continued, so far as is possible with the present limited resources of the Library.

*Facilities for the Use of Books.*—The effort has been made to give to the reading public the greatest facilities for the use of the books of the Library, not only the works in the Reference Room,
but the books in the circulating department as well. While the
necessities of administration require that the circulating books be
shelved in the stack-rooms, any person upon application is given
the privilege of consulting any or all of the books in the stacks,
and is even given, if he so desires, the use of a table for special
study in close proximity to the shelves of the circulating depart-
ment. But the great part of the work of consultation is done in the
Reference Room, which requires the shelving of a large number
of books in that room. It is possible that the number of reference
books in this room might be considerably increased by removing
to the stacks a number of periodicals which it now contains. As
the periodicals can be used advantageously only by means of
indices and as reference books need to be consulted directly, it
seems the part of wisdom to substitute for the periodicals now
shelved in the Reading Room an additional number of encyclo-
pædic books, which would materially increase the usefulness of
this room for purposes of reference.

Reference Work.—There is no feature of the library adminis-
tration which requires more special and constant attention than
that which relates to the methods adopted to render the resources
of the Library available to various classes of readers. This is
regarded as more important than the mere accumulation of books.
It is quite evident that the value of a Library depends upon the
means employed whereby it can be made to respond to the wants
of readers. With this in view the work of the reference librarian
has been specially emphasized and the character of this work is
entitled to special mention. I am of the opinion that the aid which
is now given to readers in the Reference Room by the Assistant
Librarian is more efficient and satisfactory than ever before—even
during the time when a special librarian was employed for this
purpose. Although the Assistant Librarian now performs the work
both of a reference librarian and of a chief cataloguer, both
classes of duties are performed with the highest degree of satis-
faction. The reference work involves not only the personal
attention given to readers and the answering of all kinds of
questions which may be suggested, but the preparation of refer-
ence lists upon a great variety of subjects which are pursued by
individual students, and by clubs and societies. By this grouping of books in the form of reference lists, books are brought into direct relation to readers who are pursuing special subjects. These lists are filed and are thus made available for future use. It is proposed to publish from time to time some of these lists which bear upon topics of general interest, and which may thus be used as courses of reading to direct and stimulate those persons who need guidance and some incentive.

The General Catalogue.—Besides the personal assistance given to readers by means of this reference work, the general Catalogue is the most important means whereby the books of the Library are made available to readers. What is the best and most efficient form for such a Catalogue is a subject which has given rise to much thought and discussion among various authorities on library economy. At the time of organizing the Library eighteen years ago, there was much discussion among librarians as to the best form of the Catalogue; whether it should be made up of two parts, the one containing the authors, and the other containing the subjects arranged in a classified form; or whether it should comprise one part only in which the authors and subjects should be arranged in alphabetical order in the form of a dictionary. As the former method seemed to be the prevalent one at that time, it was adopted by this Library; but the precaution was taken to write all the cards so that they might be used either in the classified form or in the dictionary form. There are advantages and disadvantages in either form. But as the classified Catalogue requires the additional use of an index in order to find a specific subject, and as this is quite inconvenient and often confusing to the average person, the drift of opinion has been tending strongly in favor of the dictionary Catalogue, which is its own index, as subjects and authors are all arranged in a single alphabet. It has become quite apparent that the alphabetical Catalogue is, all things considered, the more convenient and useful to the majority of readers. As this change from the classified to the alphabetical form will, in our case, involve only the re-arrangement of the cards and not their re-writing, it seems wise to make this change, which will require no expense except the time necessary to make this re-arrangement.
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The Arcade Reading Room.—Since the removal of the Library in 1895 to its present location on Spring street, it has been the policy of the Board to maintain the Reading Room in the Arcade Building. This is the only reading-room in the city where various newspapers published in different parts of the country are accessible to the public. At the time this room was established it was thought that it would be beneficial also to keep on file the more popular periodicals, and also a number of general reference books, which might be easily consulted by the business men of the city. This room was, until 1900, open in the evening, and it afforded an opportunity for those otherwise employed in the day time to spend three or four hours in profitable reading. Courses of reading were also provided for young men who might otherwise be drawn to less reputable places. All the Chautauqua series were placed upon the reference shelves where they were accessible to readers. While other places in the Arcade building—such as the rooms occupied by the Chess Club and the Rifle Club—are still open in the evening, it seems a reasonable question whether the room set apart for the purpose of reading should not also remain open. That the public fully appreciated the opportunities heretofore given to them is evident from the following statistics, which show the comparative attendance upon the Library and upon the Reading Room before and after the year 1900, when the room was closed in the evening; and also the decrease of the total attendance at both places after that year:

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The additional annual expense of opening the Reading Room in the evening would be about $200, covering the expense of superintendence and lighting. There would be no additional expense for the purchase of papers, periodicals and books; while the present reading material would be placed at the disposal of the public for twelve hours each day, instead of eight hours. So far as this result can be put into mathematical terms, it might be said that by increasing the expense of the Reading Room by one-fifth, its efficiency would be increased by one-half. Under the present conditions the value invested in reading material is lying idle one-third of the time in which it might be usefully employed; and a large number of persons are deprived of its use who might otherwise receive the kind of benefit which it was intended to bestow.

During the past year the Library has received a considerable number of gifts, among which are the following: From the Boston Medical Library, 33 vols., and 4,569 numbers of periodicals; Henry G. Danforth, 33 vols.; Dr. A. W. Henekell, 40 vols. and 496 numbers of periodicals; George P. Humphrey, 139 vols. and 41 pamphlets; J. Oettinger, 25 vols.; William F. Peck, 52 vols.; Hon. James Breck Perkins, 20 vols.; Mrs. S. B. Roby, 33 vols.; F. W. Smith, 26 vols.; U. S. Government, 87 vols.; Dr. J. S. Weaver, 538 number of periodicals; L. D. Woodworth, 53 vols. and 219 pamphlets.

This report is supplemented by the usual appendices, giving detailed statistics regarding the work of the Library.

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
Library Director.
APPENDIX NO. 1

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY

Those Meeting at the Library

Arethusa Society, Fortnightly.
Associated Debating Society, Weekly.
College Women's Club, Fortnightly.
Lady Managers Hahnemann Hospital, Monthly.
Livingston Park Seminary Class, Weekly.
Monroe Co. Graduate Nurses' Association, Occasionally.
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Weekly.
Rochester Engineering Society, Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society, Quarterly.
Sigma Omega Society, Fortnightly.
Theosophical Society, Weekly.
Women's Saturday Club, Monthly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance

Brick Church Institute Classes.
Daughters of the American Revolution.
High School Class in English.
Livingston Park Seminary Classes.
Mechanics' Institute Classes.
Mrs. Hall's Art Class.
Monroe County Medical Society.
Political Equality Club.
Roundabout Club.
Travelers' Club.
Women's Missionary Society.
APPENDIX NO. 2

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM

| Academy,                        | Cumulative Index,        |
| Amateur Work,                   | Current Literature,      |
| American Architect,             | Deutsche Rundschau,     |
| American Gardening,             | Dial,                   |
| American Historical Review,     | Edinburgh Review,       |
| American Journal of Archaeology,| Educational Review,     |
| American Journal of Science,    | Electricity,            |
| American Journal of Sociology,  | Engineering,            |
| American Museum Journal,        | Engineering Magazine,   |
| American Naturalist,            | English Historical Review,|
| American Review of Reviews,     | English Illustrated Magazine,|
| Antiquary,                      | Fortnightly Review,     |
| Architectural Record,           | Forum,                 |
| Arena,                          | Garden,                |
| Art Amateur,                    | Gardener's Chronicle,   |
| Art Journal,                    | Gardener's Magazine,    |
| Art Workers' Quarterly,         | Good Government,       |
| Association Review,             | Handicraft,            |
| Astrophysical Journal,          | Harper's Magazine,      |
| Athenæum,                       | Hibbert Journal,        |
| Atlantic Monthly,               | Home and Flowers,      |
| Blackwood's Magazine,           | Hospital Leaflet,      |
| Bookman,                        | Hospital News,         |
| Bookseller,                     | Hospital Review,      |
| Bulletin of Bibliography,       | Illustrated London News,|
| Catholic World,                 | Imperial and Asiatic Review,|
| Century,                        | Independent,           |
| Charities,                      | International Journal of Ethics,|
| Chautauquan,                    | International Quarterly,|
| Chicago Statistics,             | Johns Hopkins University Studies,|
| Churchman,                      | Journal of Geology,     |
| Commercial and Financial        | Journal of Political Economy,|
| Chronicle,                      | Journal of the Franklin Institute,|
| Congressional Record,           | Journal of Zoophily,   |
| Contemporary Review,            | Lamp,                  |
| Cook's Excursionist,            | Legal Bibliography,    |
| Cosmopolitan,                   | Library Journal,       |
| Country Life in America,        | Library News,          |
| Critic,                         |                        |
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Library Record,
Literary News,
Literary World,
Living Age,
Living Church,
London Quarterly Review,
Magazine of Art,
Manual Training Magazine,
Mind,
Missionary Review,
Monist,
Monthly Cumulative Book Index
Municipal Affairs,
Muse,
Nation,
Nature,
New Church Review,
New England Historical and
Genealogical Register,
N. Y. Labor Bureau Bulletin,
N. Y. State Board of Health
Bulletins,
Nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Official Gazette of the Patent
Office,
Open Court,
Outing,
Outlook (American),
Outlook (English),
Poet Lore,
Political Science Quarterly,

Popular Science Monthly,
Public Opinion,
Publishers’ Circular,
Publishers’ Weekly,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Review,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Rochester Board of Health
Reports,
St. Nicholas,
Salvation,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement,
Scientific American Building
Monthly,
Scribner’s Magazine,
Sound Currency,
Spectator,
Stevens’ Indicator,
Studio,
Teachers’ Sanitary Bulletin,
Theosophical Review,
University Extension Journal,
Van Nostrand’s Monthly Record,
Vick’s Family Magazine,
Westermann’s Monthly,
Westminster Review,
World’s Work,
Writer,
Yale Review.

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS

American Engineer,
American Society of Civil Engi-
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Engineering News,
Engineering Record,
Institution of Civil Engineers,
Proceedings,
Journal of Assoc. of Engineer-
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Journal of the Western Society
of Engineers,
Municipal Engineering,
Photo-Miniature,
Proceedings of Engineers’ Club
of Philadelphia,
Railroad Gazette,
Railway and Locomotive Engi-
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Street Railway Journal.
MEDICAL PERIODICALS

Albany Medical Annals,
American Journal of Insanity,
American Journal of Obstetrics,
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,
American Monthly Microscopical Journal,
Annals of Surgery,
Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,
Archives de Médecine Experimentale,
Archives de Neurologie,
Archives of Ophthalmology,
Archives of Otology,
Archives of Pediatrics,
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,
Birmingham Medical Review,
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,
Brain,
British Journal of Dermatology,
British Medical Journal,
Bulletin of Johns Hopkins Hospital,
Chicago Medical Recorder,
Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,
Dublin Journal of Medical Science,
Edinburgh Medical Journal,
Index Medicus,
Indian Medical Gazette,
Intercolonial Medical Journal,
International Journal of Surgery,
International Medical Magazine,
Journal of Experimental Medicine,
Journal of Pathology and Bacteriology,
Journal of the American Medical Association,
Journal of Laryngology,
Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease,
Journal of Ophthalmology,
Lancet,
Lyon Médical,
Medical News,
Medical Press and Circular,
Medical Record,
Medical Review of Reviews,
Medical Times,
Medico-Legal Journal,
Monatshefte für Praktische Dermatologie,
Montreal Medical Journal,
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,
New York Medical Journal,
Ophthalmic Review,
Practitioner,
Progrès Medical,
Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,
Revue de Chirurgie,
Revue de Médecine,
Sanitarian,
Therapeutic Gazette,
Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift,
APPENDIX NO. 3

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Historical Association, Papers,
American Historical Association, Reports,
American Library Association, Proceedings,
American Medical Association, Journal,
American Park and Out-Door Art Association, Reports,
American Railway Engineering Association, Proceedings,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Association of Engineering Societies, Journal,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Reports,
Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports,
Cayuga Co. Historical Society, Proceedings,
Chicago Library Club, College Settlements Association, Annual Reports,
Connecticut State Board of Health,

Engineers’ Club of Philadelphia, Proceedings,
Franklin Institute, Journal,
Indian Rights Association, Reports and Publications,
Institution of Civil Engineers, Proceedings,
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports,
Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration, Proceedings,
Lake Mohonk Conference on Protection of Indians, Proceedings,
Maine Historical Society, Collections,
Manchester Museum,
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections and Reports,
Medical Association of Central New York, Reports,
Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions,
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports,
Military Service Institution, Journal,
Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports,
Monroe County Medical Society, Reports,
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports,
National Conference for Good City Government, Proceedings,
National Conference of Charities and Correction, Proceedings,
National Museum, Reports,
National Woman Suffrage Association, Proceedings,
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports,
New York Civil Service Reform Association, Reports,
New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,
New York State Board of Health, Reports,
New York State Medical Association, Transactions,
Peace Association of Friends, Publications,
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Journal,
Rhode Island Historical Society, Collections,
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Publications,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Publications,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,
Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, Proceedings,
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,
State Charities Aid Association, Reports,
Western Society of Engineers, Journal,
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Proceedings.

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions

Aguilar Free Library,
Allegheny Carnegie Library,
Amherst College,
Armour Institute of Technology,
Belleville Public Library,
Beloit College,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston Public Library,
Bridgeport Public Library,
Brookline Library,
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Chicago Public Library,
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Lawrence Public Library,
Leland Stanford, Jr., University,
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Library of Congress, Lynn Public Library, Maimonides Library, Manchester Museum, (Owen’s College), Milwaukee Public Library, Minneapolis Public Library, Mount Holyoke College, New Haven Public Library, New Jersey State Library, New York Public Library, New York Society Library, New York State Library, Newark Public Library, Newberry Library, Newcastle-upon-Tyne Library, Omaha Public Library, Osterhout Free Library, Paterson Public Library, Philadelphia Public Library, Pittsburgh Carnegie Library, Portland Public Library, Pratt Institute Library, Providence Athenæum, Providence Public Library, Rochester Theological Seminary, St. Louis Mercantile Library, St. Paul Public Library, Salem Public Library, San Francisco Public Library, Scranton Public Library, Seattle Public Library, Syracuse Public Library, Taunton Public Library, Tennessee University, Toronto Public Library, University of Chicago, University of Illinois, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, University of Rochester, University of Tennessee, University of the State of New York,

University of Wisconsin, Vassar College, Wagner Memorial College, Washington Public Library, Wellesley College, Wilmington Institute, Worcester Public Library, Yale University,

(3) U. S. Government

STATE DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary, American Republics, Bureau, Commercial Relations, Consular Reports (regular and special), Rolls and Library Bureau.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT


WAR DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary, Engineer’s Office, Insular Affairs, Bureau, Surgeon-General’s Library, Catalogue, War of Rebellion, Records,

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary, Census Office, Education, Bureau, Geological Survey, Indian Affairs, Board of Commissioners,
Indian Affairs, Commissioner, Land Office, Miscellaneous Reports, Patent Office Publications, Pension Office, Railroad Commissioners.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary, Agrostology, Division, Animal Industry, Bureau, Biological Survey Division, Botany Division, Chemistry, Bureau, Crop Reports, Entomology Division, Experiment Stations Office, Fiber Investigation Office, Foreign Markets Section, Forestry Division, Library Bulletin, Pomology Division, Publications Division, Road Inquiry Office, Soils Division, Statistics Division, Vegetable Pathology Division, Miscellaneous, Miscellaneous Circulars.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND BUREAUS
Civil Service Commission, Fish Commission, Interstate Commerce Commission, Labor Department, Public Printing Office (Remainder Depository).

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.
Annual Report, Contributions to Knowledge, Miscellaneous Collections.


(4) State Agricultural Experiment Stations
Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station, California " " Connecticut " " Delaware " " Illinois, " " Iowa " " Kentucky, " " Massachusetts " " New York " " Ohio " " Oregon " " Pennsylvania " " Rhode Island " " U. S. Dept. Agr. " " Utah " " Vermont " " Wisconsin " "

(5) New York State Government
Calendar of Bills, Laws of New York, Senate and Assembly Documents, Charities, State Board of, Civil Service Commission, Comptroller, Engineer and Surveyor, Factory Inspector, Forest Preserve Board, Health, State Board of, Insurance Department, Labor Statistics, Bureau of, Lunacy Commission, Mediation and Arbitration, Board of, Public Instruction, Sup't, Railroad Commissioners, Board of,
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Statutory Revision, Commissioners of, Treasurer, University of the State of New York, Publications, Weather Service.

(6) Other Serials

ANNUALS

BIENNIALS
Rochester Street Directory, United States Blue Book (Official Register).

FIVE YEARLY
American Catalogue, Hinrich's Bücher Catalog, Poole's Index to Periodicals, Reference Catalogue (English).

APPENDIX No. 4
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM

Room 118, Reynolds Arcade

DAILY
Reynolds Library

Rochester Post-Express,
Rochester Union and Advertiser,
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
San Francisco Chronicle,
Toronto Globe,
Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY

American Machinist,
American Review of Reviews,
Argonaut,
Army and Navy Journal,
Art Interchange,
Atlantic Monthly,
Bon Ton,
Century,
Chautauquan,
Cosmopolitan,
Costume Royal,
Current History,
Delineator,
Engineering and Mining Journal,
Forest and Stream,
Forum,
Good Housekeeping,
Harper's Bazar, •
Harper's Magazine,
Harper's Weekly,
Illustrated London News,
Iron Age,
Ladies' Home Journal,
Leslie's Monthly,
Leslie's Weekly,
Life,
Lippincott's Magazine,
London Times (Weekly),
McClure's Magazine,
Munsey's Magazine,
Musical Courier,
New England Magazine,
New York Dramatic Mirror,
New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,
North American Review,
Outing,
Outlook,
Overland Monthly,
Pall Mall Magazine,
Popular Science Monthly,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement,
Scribner's Magazine,
Table Talk,
Toilettes,
Young Ladies' Journal.

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- Alling, Mrs. William: 153 numbers of periodicals
- Angell, Dr. E. B.: 137 numbers of periodicals
- Anthony, Susan B.: 12 numbers of periodicals
- Averell, Mrs. W. H.: 55 numbers of periodicals
- Boston Medical Library: 4,569 numbers of periodicals
- Buell, Mrs. G. C.: 39 numbers of periodicals
- Goler, Dr. George W.: 48 numbers of periodicals
- Greenleaf, Dr. C. A.: 209 numbers of periodicals
- Hall, Miss L. M.: 26 numbers of periodicals
- Hawley, Miss G.: 2 numbers of periodicals
- Henckell, Dr. A. W.: 496 numbers of periodicals
- Hotchkim, Mrs. George A.: 65 numbers of periodicals
- Kempe, Dr. J. J.: 250 numbers of periodicals
- Peck, William F.: 46 numbers of periodicals
- Smith, Franklin: 243 numbers of periodicals
- Weaver, Dr. J. E.: 538 numbers of periodicals
PERIODICALS RECEIVED AS GIFTS

Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletins from the following States: Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, Wisconsin, and also from the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington.

Albany Medical Annals, from Publishers
American Gardening, from George Ellwanger
American Museum Journal, from American Museum Publishers
Association Review, from Publishers
Boston Public Library Bulletin, from Boston Public Library
Brookline Library Bulletin, from Brookline Public Library
Bulletin of Bibliography, from Boston Book Co.
Chicago Statistics, from Chicago City Government
Churchman, from Mrs. Chas. B. Potter
Columbia University Quarterly, from Columbia University
Congressional Record (daily), from Hon. J. Breck Perkins
Cook's Excursionist, from Publishers
Democrat and Chronicle (2 copies), from Publishers
Garden, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Chronicle, from George Ellwanger
Gardener's Magazine, from George Ellwanger
General Soc. Mechanics and Tradesmen, N. Y. Bulletin, from The Society
Good Government, from Publishers
Handicraft, from Publishers
Home and Flowers, from Publishers
Hospital Leaflet, from Rochester Homœopathic Hospital
Hospital News, from St. Mary's Hospital
Hospital Review, from Rochester City Hospital
Iowa Masonic Library Bulletin, from Iowa Masonic Library
Journal of Zoophily, from Publishers
Legal Bibliography, from Boston Book Co.
Library News, from Newark Public Library
Library Record, from Jersey City Public Library
REYNOLDS LIBRARY

Literary News, from Publishers
Living Church, from A. S. Marsh
New Church Review, from Publishers
New Haven Library Bulletin, from New Haven Public Library
New York Public Library Bulletin, from N. Y. Public Library
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
N. Y. State Labor Bureau Bulletin, from N. Y. State Government
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, from U. S. Government
Omaha Library Bulletin, from Omaha Public Library
Osterhout Library Bulletin, from Osterhout Free Library
Philadelphia Library Bulletin, from Philadelphia Public Library
Pittsburgh Library Bulletin, from Pittsburgh Carnegie Library
Post-Express (2 copies), from Publishers
Pratt Institute Library Bulletin, from Pratt Institute
Providence Library Bulletin, from Providence Public Library
Pythian Knight, from Publishers
Rochester Weather Bureau Reports, from Roch. Weather Bureau
Rochester Herald (2 copies), from Publishers
Salvation, from Publishers
San Francisco Library Bulletin, from San Francisco Public Library
Sanitarian, from Henry Lomb
Scranton Library Bulletin, from Scranton Public Library
Sound Currency, from Publishers
Stevens Indicator, from Stevens Institute of Technology
Teachers' Sanitary Bulletin, from Michigan State Board of Health
Tennessee University Record, from Tennessee University
Theosophical Review, from Publishers
Union and Advertiser (2 copies), from Publishers
U. S. Consular Reports, from U. S. Government
U. S. Public Documents Catalogue, from U. S. Government
U. S. Statistical Bureau Bulletin, from U. S. Government
U. S. Weather Crop Bulletin, from U. S. Government
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

University Extension Journal, from Publishers
University of Wisconsin Bulletin, from University of Wisconsin
Vick's Family Magazine, from Publishers
Wilmington Library Bulletin, from Wilmington Free Library
## APPENDIX NO. 6

### STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

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Whole number of readers, 42,275
Whole number of books drawn, 21,290

*Circulation of books suspended from Dec. 15 to Jan. 31.
APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

(For the Eight Months Ending May 31, 1903)

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, $3,700 92
Insurance, 4 28
Fixtures, Furniture, etc., 4 20
Repairs and Maintenance, 121 54
Heating, 790 40
Lighting, 252 40
Water Supply, 8 73
Books, 918 83
Periodicals, 715 46
Binding, 532 20
Printing, 134 32
Postage, 20 05
Express, Freight, etc., 14 72
Library Supplies, 164 65
Extraordinary Expenses, 177 75
Expended from Medical Fund, 311 03
Expended from Engineer's Fund, 348 18
Expended from W. J. Gordon Fund, 3 60

$8,223 26
BOARD OF TRUSTEES—1903-1904

Josiah Anstice,
George Ellwanger,
Max Landsberg,
Samuel A. Lattimore,
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Cyrus F. Paine,
William F. Peck,
Charles A. Dewey,
Rufus A. Sibley,
Julius M. Wile,
Erickson Perkins,
Henry F. Burton,
William R. Taylor,
Albert H. Harris,
Rush Rhees,
William E. Werner,
Edward G. Miner, Jr.

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GEORGE ELLWANGER.

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WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,
PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
CYRUS F. PAINE,
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CHARLES A. DEWEY.
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,
FINANCE COMMITTEE,
RUFUS A. SIBLEY,
GEORGE ELLWANGER,
BUILDING COMMITTEE,
WILLIAM E. WERNER,
RUFUS A. SIBLEY,
ALBERT H. HARRIS.

ERICKSON PERKINS.
LIBRARY STAFF

LIBRARY DIRECTOR,
WILLIAM C. MOREY.

REYNOLDS LIBRARY (150 Spring St.)

ALFRED S. COLLINS, Librarian.
ANNE R. COLLINS, Assistant Librarian.
RICHARD H. D'Olier, Shelving Department.
JESSIE A. STEWART, Circulating Department.
LILY E. STEWART, Assistant Cataloguer.
JHN J. BAKER, Janitor.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade.)

HELEN M. SPRAGUE, Superintendent.
WILLIAM M. HASTINGS, Night Attendant.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee, in accordance with the By-Laws, respectfully present their Nineteenth Annual Report for the year ending May 31st, 1904.

The work of the Library and the principles on which this work has been conducted, and the growth and the present condition of the Library are fully set forth in the accompanying report of the Director.

During the year there has been a gratifying increase in the number of visitors. Thus, since the first of January, to go back no further, the attendance as compared with the same period in 1903 is larger by nearly 14% (2,929) at the Library, and by over 70% (7,957) at the Reading Room. This increase is accounted for in part by the closing of the Central Library and by the opening of the Reynolds Reading Room in the evening.

The financial statement for the year shows that the maintenance of the Library and the Reading Room cost $10,643.81. Books have been ordered and not yet delivered to the amount of about $452. If the last item be called a present liability, though on account of the serial character of some of the publications referred to, it cannot be so regarded, the expenditures by the Committee are still well within the appropriations made by the Board. Furthermore, the sum of $526.14 was used from the Gordon, Engineers’ and Medical funds, leaving in the same a balance of $482.34, much of which, however, will go for books ordered but not yet delivered, and for binding of periodicals.

During the year a telephone has been installed for the convenience of the Library and its patrons.

In April, insurance on the boilers was placed at a cost of $80 for three years. Subsequent inspection showed the need of certain
repairs and changes, and these will be made at moderate cost during the summer.

The subject of providing additional room for books must soon be considered by the Board. The present accommodations will be practically exhausted during the coming twelve or eighteen months. This approaching need of the Library would, of course, be met best by the construction of a second wing, in accordance with the plan submitted in 1898. If, however, no funds are likely to be available for the purpose, the Committee are of the opinion that the building known as the Coach House can, at comparatively small expense, be so altered and fitted as to meet the requirements of the Library, in the way of expansion, for six or eight years to come.

A serious question is presented not infrequently after sudden thaws or heavy showers, when water appears in the cellar of the Library Building, apparently backing up from the sewer, which at such times is wholly inadequate. This back-flow not only brings with it considerable filth but causes so much dampness that the cellar cannot be safely used for the storage of books and of newspaper files.

Another problem relates to the greenhouse, which is in a state of progressive decay. Already repairs have been needed to prevent loose bricks from falling into Goldsmith Place, and partial collapse of the structure at any moment would cause no surprise. As restoration of the building for its original uses is probably not to be thought of, its removal would seem to be desirable. There would then remain a substantial north wall which would serve to hide from view the stable in the rear and might be so treated as not to be specially objectionable. A better solution would be the purchase of the buildings occupying the rectangle, that now cuts into and destroys the symmetrical outlines of the Library grounds. These buildings then could be taken away or modified and utilized, as the Board might direct.

The needs of the Library building in respect to painting and other renovations are becoming marked and should receive attention at an early day.

In March last, Prof. Burton, having planned a vacation abroad,
resigned from the Library Committee. About the same time Prof. Morey, whose health had become impaired, presented his resignation as Library Director, the same to take effect on May 31st. Both resignations were reluctantly accepted. The Committee need not remind the Board of the faithful services, so long and so intelligently rendered by these gentlemen. It is hoped that the Library may continue to have in good measure the benefit of their advice and active co-operation. The Committee suggest that the vacancy made by the withdrawal of the Director be not filled at present.

The "estimates of the funds necessary to be expended for the purposes of the Library Committee during the ensuing year" accompany this report. They amount to the sum appropriated at the last annual meeting. If the salary of a director be not included, it is recommended that the total be reduced to the extent of $500, i. e. to $11,000.

The possibility of more intimate relations between this Library and the City on account of the partition of the Central Library has been considered by the Board, who have already notified the Mayor of their willingness to co-operate with him, in every way possible, to meet the changed conditions. In the meantime the Committee are satisfied that the general policy adopted for the management of the Reynolds Library is correct. The objects specially held in view, in extending the Library as the limited funds available permit, are: to purchase the more important works in the English language, as they are published, and those in foreign tongues that are certain to be in active use (the latter will obviously be few in number); to procure, incidentally, the best books that come under the head of lighter literature; to strengthen the various departments as they may be found deficient. The Library thus seeking to keep abreast with the times, will be alive and progressive, and minister efficiently to the wants of students and of the reading public at large.

Charles A. Dewey,
William R. Taylor,
Albert H. Harris,

Library Committee.

Rochester, June 1st, 1904.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The last annual report showed the number of volumes on the shelves of the Library to be 51,501. There have been received during the past year by purchase 1,088 volumes, by gift 1,158 volumes, by exchange 7 volumes; there have been condemned or lost 151 volumes, making a net increase of 2,102 volumes. The total number of volumes now upon the shelves is 53,603. The method of purchasing books adopted by the Library Committee has had the effect to keep the Library fairly well supplied with the most recent and important works of standard literature issued by American and English publishers. The chief additions to the encyclopaedic works have been the supplement to the Encyclopædia Britannica in 11 volumes; Appletons' Universal Encyclopædia, which is a new edition of Johnson's Cyclopædia, 13 volumes; the new International Cyclopædia, 17 volumes; a set of the International Year Book from the beginning, 5 volumes; Lamb's Biographical Dictionary of the U. S., 6 volumes. A special effort has been made to improve the collection of art works. With the valuable assistance of Dr. Denio a considerable number of books have been added to this department, which, with the illustrated works upon decoration and design already in the Library, will satisfy the present wants of art students. The Library has subscribed for Blair and Robertson's great work on the Philippine Islands in 55 volumes which contains a vast amount of original information regarding these American possessions, and which will in a few years be out of print and probably difficult to obtain. In the selection of books for purchase the usual attention has been given to the wants of individual readers and of literary and scientific clubs.

Of the proposed changes submitted to the Board at the last annual meeting, mention should be made of the rearrangement of
the General Catalogue. This catalogue which had hitherto been arranged in the “classified” form has been reconstructed and been put into the “dictionary” form in which all entries—authors and subjects—have been brought into one alphabet. The precaution originally taken of writing all cards so that they might be used in either form of the catalogue has rendered this change a comparatively easy task. The experience of the past year has shown that the benefits resulting from this change have more than compensated for the time and labor which it has required. The difficulties which the average reader hitherto encountered in consulting the classified subject catalogue have been practically removed and with our personal acquaintance with the working of both forms we are able to express the most positive preference for the form which we have now adopted.

Another proposition which was submitted to the Board at the last annual meeting—namely the opening of the Arcade Reading Room in the evening—should perhaps be noticed. The recommendation to make the change was approved by the Library Committee and carried into effect by the Director. It was estimated that the additional expense of opening this room in the evening would be about $200.00 and that the increased number of readers would fully compensate for the additional expense incurred. The actual cost of maintaining this room in the evening has been about $17.00 per month, while the average number of readers has been about fifty per cent. more than last year. It is believed that this experiment has shown the wisdom of making this change, which should doubtless be adopted as a part of the permanent policy of the Library.

In order to bring the Library more prominently before the public it has been deemed wise to issue from time to time bulletins containing lists of books recently added to the Library, and also reading lists upon subjects of general interest. These lists have first been printed by the Post-Express without charge and published in the daily edition of that paper; the Library being required merely to pay for the press work and paper necessary to put them in the form of leaflets to be circulated among its own readers. Four of these lists have been issued: also three “Reference Lists”
upon "Nature Study," "Great Moral Leaders" and "The Far East" comprising books upon Russia, Japan, Korea, etc. It is, of course, difficult to measure the benefits derived from these publications. Suffice it to say that one of them, that upon "Nature Study", was soon exhausted and a new edition was ordered. It was found that many persons were using these lists as a basis for a consecutive course of reading. Whether they have had any effect upon the work done in the reference room it is difficult to say. But it is a fact that more solid work has been done by the readers in the reference room than ever before. A greater taste for consecutive reading has been manifest as well as a disposition to look up and study specific subjects. As many as forty-three different subjects were looked up by the Reference Librarian in a single day for the benefit of readers in the Reference Room.

While the Library has afforded all the opportunities within its power to aid the serious reader and student, it has by no means lost sight of the needs of the more general and desultory reader. The Library was intended by its founder to be an educational institution. But it cannot be expected that its efforts will be devoted exclusively to those persons who are already educated. It should certainly have its eye upon untrained readers and seek to bring such persons within its beneficent reach. While the Library may properly claim to be a "Reference Library" in the sense of being primarily a collection of standard literature, it was certainly not the design of its founder to be an end in itself, but a means for the promotion of a humane and philanthropic purpose. To bring the untrained reader under the humanizing influence of the best literature it may be proper to consult to a certain extent his present tastes and proclivities. Fiction and romance may be used as an allurement to folk lore, to social science, to history, philosophy and art. The lighter books on nature study may lead to more thorough works on botany, zoology and the scientific literature of the naturalist. The practical difficulty which has hitherto prevented a library of standard literature from dealing with the lighter forms of literature has grown out of the fact that it cannot afford to burden its shelves with ephemeral books which in a year or two after their purchase have no demand, and hence
no value, however beneficial they might be as a temptation to draw the desultory reader within the precincts of the Library. This practical difficulty has, however, been met to a great degree by the establishment of the Bodley Library—a branch of the Booklovers' Library. By an arrangement with this institution it is possible for any Library to rent for a certain time, for example a year, a certain number of books, these books to be exchanged as often as desirable. To illustrate, 250 books may be rented for $210.00, to be used and loaned by the Library for a year. If these books are exchanged every three months the Library has the benefit of 1,000 books for a year's time at about one-quarter of the market value. These books may thus be used for the benefit of a certain class of readers during the stipulated time without the necessity of purchase and without the expense of cataloguing, and also without the necessity of shelving them with its own permanent collection. Convinced of the possible benefits which might result from this arrangement, the Library Committee have approved the suggestion to make it the subject of an experiment. Two hundred and fifty books of the Bodley Library have therefore been placed upon open shelves in the Circulating Room, whence they can be drawn like other books in the Library. These books have been selected by the Librarian to meet the tastes of ordinary readers. They include fiction and other popular books. This experiment has been in progress for some weeks and as a result the circulation has materially increased.

In connection with the experiment of the Bodley Library, the open shelves in the Circulating Room have been extended so as to include not only the Bodley books but also selected standard fiction from our own shelves, also books upon nature study, upon China, Japan and other countries of the Far East, upon education as well as the most recent books added to the Library. This system of open shelves containing a collection of selected and accessible books is adopted in many progressive libraries for the benefit of untrained readers who find it inconvenient to consult the general catalogue. It places before the eyes of such persons an attractive body of literature and may be considered as forming a preliminary step in the process of library education.
Before closing this report it seems desirable that a word should be said regarding a general misapprehension which evidently exists in respect to the attitude of the Reynolds Library toward fiction. Statements have been made and published that fiction has no place in this Library. I think I do not misstate the policy of the Trustees when I say that fiction is estimated and esteemed in the same way as any other class in literature. In the selection of any class of books the effort has constantly been made to distinguish between standard and ephemeral books. This distinction has been considered as important in the selection of works on religion, on history and on art. And the same distinction is sought to be preserved in the selection of works of fiction. The Library simply seeks to maintain a collection of books in all departments of literature which have a permanent value so far as this can be ascertained. At present the Library possesses 2,600 volumes of fiction which are constantly circulated among its readers. The great body of standard prose fiction which can properly be said to belong to English literature may be found upon our shelves. This does not, of course, include that class of ephemeral stories which are written to while away a summer afternoon. It seems to me desirable that the public misapprehension in this matter should be corrected and that it should be made clear that the Library seeks to furnish all intelligent readers with all kinds of literature which is profitable and of permanent worth.

Potter, 541 numbers of periodicals; Mrs. H. C. Riggs, 919 numbers of periodicals.

This report is supplemented by the usual appendices, giving detailed statistics regarding the work of the Library.

WILLIAM C. MOREY,
Library Director.
APPENDIX NO. 1

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY

Those Meeting at the Library.

College Women’s Club,                    Fortnightly.
French Club,                              Weekly.
Greek Class of Rev. Mr. Evans,            Weekly.
Lady Managers Hahnemann Hospital,        Monthly.
Monroe County Graduate Nurses’ Association, Occasionally.
Rochester Academy of Medicine,           Weekly.
Rochester Engineering Society,            Fortnightly.
Rochester Historical Society,             Quarterly.
Social Topics Club,                       Weekly.
Theosophical Society,                     Weekly.
Travelers’ Club of the Nichols School,   Fortnightly.

Those not meeting at the Library, but receiving special assistance

Colonial Reading Club.
Daughters of the American Revolution.
Dr. Denio’s Art Classes.
East High School Debating Society.
High School Class in English.
Livingston Park Seminary Classes.
Mechanics’ Institute Class in Biology.
Mrs. Hall’s Art Classes.
Political Equality Club.
Roundabout Club.
Traveler’s Club.
Unity Club.
Women’s Missionary Society.
APPENDIX No. 2

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM

Academy,
Amateur Work,
American Architect,
American Gardening,
American Historical Review,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Science,
American Journal of Sociology,
American Museum Journal,
American Naturalist,
American Review of Reviews,
Antiquary,
Architectural Record,
Arena,
Art Amateur,
Art Journal,
Art Workers' Quarterly,
Association Review,
Astrophysical Journal,
Athenæum,
Atlantic Monthly,
Blackwood's Magazine,
Bookman,
Bookseller,
Brush and Pencil,
Bulletin of Bibliography,
Case and Comment,
Catholic World,
Century,
Charities,
Chautauquan,
Chicago Statistics,
Churchman,
Commercial and Financial Chronicle,
Congressional Record,
Connoisseur,
Contemporary Review,

Cook's Excursionist,
Cosmopolitan,
Country Life in America,
Critic,
Cumulative Index,
Current Literature,
Deutsche Rundschau,
Dial,
Edinburgh Review,
Educational Review,
Electricity,
Engineering,
Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
English Illustrated Magazine,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Garden,
Gardener's Chronicle,
Gardener's Magazine,
Geographical Journal,
Good Government,
Harper's Magazine,
Hibbert Journal,
Home and Flowers,
Hospital Leaflet,
Hospital News,
Hospital Review,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Review,
Independent,
International Journal of Ethics,
International Quarterly,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk Lore,
Journal of Geology,
Journal of Political Economy,
| Journal of the Franklin Institute, | Outlook (American), |
| Journal of the Military Service Institution, | Outlook (English), |
| Journal of the Royal Microscopical Society, | Poet Lore, |
| Journal of Zoophily, | Political Science Quarterly, |
| Lamp, | Popular Science Monthly, |
| Legal Bibliography, | Public Opinion, |
| Library Journal, | Publishers' Circular, |
| Library Record, | Publishers' Weekly, |
| Literary Digest, | Pythian Knight, |
| Literary News, | Quarterly Journal of Economics, |
| Literary World, | Quarterly Review, |
| Living Age, | Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature, |
| Living Church, | Records of the Past, |
| London Quarterly Review, | Revue des Deux Mondes, |
| Magazine of Art, | Rochester Board of Health Reports, |
| Manual Training Magazine, | St. Nicholas, |
| Massachusetts Labor Bulletin, | Saturday Review, |
| Mind, | Science, |
| Missionary Review, | Scientific American, |
| Monist, | Scientific American Supplement, |
| Monthly Cumulative Book Index, | Scientific American Builders' Edition, |
| Municipal Affairs, | Scribner's Magazine, |
| Nation, | Sound Currency, |
| Nature, | Spectator, |
| New Church Review, | Stevens' Indicator, |
| New England Historical and Genealogical Register, | Studio, |
| N. Y. Labor Bureau Bulletin, | Teachers' Sanitary Bulletin, |
| N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletins, | Theosophical Review, |
| Nineteenth Century, | University Extension Journal, |
| North American Review, | Van Nostrand's Monthly Record, |
| Notes and Queries, | Vick's Family Magazine, |
| Official Gazette of the Patent Office, | Westermann's Monthly, |
| Open Court, | Westminster Review, |
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ENGINEERING PERIODICALS

American Engineer,
American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association. Proceedings,
American Railway Master Mechanics' Assn. Proceedings,
American Society of Civil Engineers. Proceedings,
American Street Railway Assn. Proceedings,
Association of Railway Superintendents of Bridges and Buildings. Proceedings,
Architecture,
Architects' and Builders' Magazine,
Carpentry and Building,
Engineer,
Engineering News,
Engineering Record,
Inland Architect,
Institution of Civil Engineers. Proceedings,
Journal of Association of Engineering Societies,
Journal of the Western Society of Engineers,
Master Car Builders Association. Proceedings,
Municipal Engineering,
N. Y. Railway Club. Proceedings,
Photo-Miniature,
Proceedings of the Engineers Club of Philadelphia,
Railway Age,
Railroad Gazette,
Railway and Locomotive Engineering,
St. Louis Railway Club. Proceedings,
Street Railway Journal.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS

Albany Medical Annals,
American Journal of Insanity,
American Journal of Obstetrics,
American Journal of the Medical Sciences,
Annales de l' Institute Pasteur,
Annals of Surgery,
Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie,
Archives de Médecine Experimentale,
Archives de Neurologie,
Archives of Ophthalmology,
Archives of Otology,
Archives of Pediatrics,
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift,
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,
Brain,
British Journal of Dermatology,
British Medical Journal,
Bulletin of Johns Hopkins Hospital,
Chicago Medical Recorder,
Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,
Deutsches Archiv für Klinische Medicin,
Edinburgh Medical Journal,
Index Medicus,
International Journal of Surgery,
International Medical Magazine,
Journal of Pathology and Bacteriology,
Journal of the American Medical Association,
Journal of Laryngology,
Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease,
Journal of Ophthalmology, Lancet,
Lyon Médical, Medical News,
Medical Press and Circular, Medical Record,
Medical Review of Reviews, Medico-Legal Journal,
Monatschrifte für Praktische Dermatologie,
Montreal Medical Journal,
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,
New York Medical Journal,
Ophthalmic Review, Practitioner,
Progrès Medical, Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,
Revue de Chirurgie, Revue de Médicine,
Sanitarian, Therapeutic Gazette,
Wiener Medizinische Wochen­schrift,

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SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Folk Lore Society, Journal,
American Historical Association, Papers,
American Historical Association, Reports,
American Library Association, Proceedings,
American Medical Association, Journal,
American Museum, Journal,
American Park and Out-Door Art Association, Reports,
American Railway Master Mechanics’ Association, Proceedings,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Association of Engineering Societies, Journal,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Reports,
Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports,
Cayuga Co. Historical Society, Proceedings,
Chicago Library Club,
College Settlements Association, Annual Reports,
Connecticut State Board of Health,
Engineers’ Club of Philadelphia, Proceedings,
Franklin Institute, Journal,
Indian Rights Association, Reports and Publications,
Institution of Civil Engineers, Proceedings,
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports,
Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration, Proceedings,
Lake Mohonk Conference on Protection of Indians, Proceedings,
Manchester Museum,
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections and Reports,
Master Car Builders’ Association, Proceedings,
Medical Association of Central New York, Reports,
Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions,
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports,
Military Service Institution, Journal,
Missouri Botanical Garden, Reports,
Monroe County Medical Society, Reports,
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports,
National Conference for Good City Government, Proceedings,
National Conference of Charities and Correction, Proceedings,
National Museum, Reports,
National Woman Suffrage Association, Proceedings,
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports,
New York Civil Service Reform Association, Reports,
New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,

New York State Board of Health, Reports,
New York State Medical Association, Transactions,
Peace Association of Friends, Publications,
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Journal,
Rhode Island Historical Society, Collections,
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Publications,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics’ Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Publications,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,
Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, Proceedings,
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,
State Charities Aid Association, Reports,
Western Society of Engineers, Journal,
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Proceedings.

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions

Aguilar Free Library,
Allegheny Carnegie Library,
Amherst College,
Armour Institute of Technology,
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Worcester Public Library,
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(3) U. S. Government

STATE DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary,
American Republics, Bureau,
Commercial Relations,  
Consular Reports (regular and special),  
Rolls and Library Bureau.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary,  
Coast and Geodetic Survey,  
Comptroller of Currency,  
Foreign Commerce,  
Internal Commerce,  
Internal Revenue,  
Life Saving Service,  
Mint, Bureau,  
Statistics, Bureau.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary,  
Engineer's Office,  
Insular Affairs, Bureau,  
Surgeon-General's Library, Catalogue,  
War of Rebellion, Records.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary,  
Census Office,  
Education, Bureau,  
Geological Survey,  
Indian Affairs, Board of Commissioners,  
Indian Affairs, Commissioner,  
Land Office,  
Miscellaneous Reports,  
Patent Office Publications,  
Pension Office,  
Railroad Commissioners.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

Report of Secretary,  
Agrostology, Division,  
Animal Industry, Bureau,  
Biological Survey Division,  
Botany Division,  

Chemistry, Bureau,  
Crop Reports,  
Entomology Division,  
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Library Bulletin,  
Pomology Division,  
Publications Division,  
Road Inquiry Office,  
Soils Division,  
Statistics Division,  
Vegetable Pathology Division,  
Miscellaneous,  
Miscellaneous Circulars.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND BUREAUS.

Civil Service Commission,  
Fish Commission,  
Interstate Commerce Commission,  
Labor Department,  
Public Printing Office (Remainder Depository).

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.

Annual Report,  
Contributions to Knowledge,  
Miscellaneous Collections,  
National Museum, Bulletins,  
National Museum, Proceedings,  

(4) State Agricultural Experiment Stations

Arkansas Agr. Exper. Station,  
California  " "  
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Senate and Assembly Documents,
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Engineer and Surveyor,
Factory Inspector,
Forest Preserve Board,
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Insurance Department,
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Lunacy Commission,
Mediation and Arbitration,
Board of,
Public Instruction, Sup't,
Railroad Commissioners,
Board of,
Statutory Revision, Commissioners of,
Treasurer,
University of the State of New York, Publications,
Weather Service.

(6) Other Serials

Annual American Catalogue,
Annual Literary Index,
Annual Register,
British Almanac and Companion,
Church of England Year Book,
Commercial Year Book,
Cumulative Index,
English Catalogue,
Hazell's Annual,
International Year Book,
Minerva, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt,
N. Y. State Clerk's Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office Index,
Publisher's Trade List Annual,
Review of Historical Publications Relating to Canada,
Rochester Directory,
Statesman's Year Book,
Tribune Almanac,
Union and Advertiser Year Book
Whitaker's Almanac,
Who's Who, (American),
Who's Who, (English),
World Almanac,
Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS

Rochester Street Directory,
United States Blue Book
(Official Register).

FIVE YEARLY.

American Catalogue,
Hinrich's Bücher Catalog,
Poole's Index to Periodicals,
Reference Catalogue (English).
APPENDIX NO. 4
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM
Room 118, Reynolds Arcade

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Albany Journal,
Atlanta Constitution,
Boston Transcript
Brooklyn Eagle,
Buffalo Express,
Chicago Inter-Ocean,
Louisville Courier Journal,
New York Commercial,
New York Evening Post,
New York Herald,
New York Mail and Express,
New York Sun,
New York Times,
New York Tribune,
Philadelphia Press,
Rochester Democrat and Chronicle,
Rochester Herald,
Rochester Post-Express,
Rochester Union and Advertiser,
St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
San Francisco Chronicle,
Toronto Globe,
Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY
American Machinist,
American Review of Reviews,
Argonaut,
Army and Navy Journal,
Art Interchange,
Atlantic Monthly,
Bon Ton,
Carpentry and Building,
Century,
Chautauquan,
Cosmopolitan,
Costume Royal,
Delineator,
Engineering and Mining Journal,
Forest and Stream,
Forum,
Good Housekeeping,
Harper's Bazar,
Harper's Magazine,
Harper's Weekly,
House Beautiful,
Illustrated London News,
Iron Age,
Ladies' Home Journal,
Leslie's Monthly,
Leslie's Weekly,
Life,
Lippincott's Magazine,
Literary Digest,
London Times (Weekly),
McClure's Magazine,
Munsey's Magazine,
Musical Courier,
New England Magazine,
New York Dramatic Mirror,
New Yorker Staats-Zeitung,
North American Review,
Outing,
Outlook,
Overland Monthly,
Pall Mall Magazine,
Popular Science Monthly,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement,
Scribner's Magazine,
Table Talk,
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Collins, Dr. N. M. 279 numbers of periodicals
Durand, J. E. 1,350 numbers of periodicals
Ely, Mrs. John S. 58 numbers of periodicals
Moore, Dr. R. M. 168 numbers of periodicals
Newell, Mrs. Frank 98 numbers of periodicals
Peck, William F. 88 numbers of periodicals
Potter, Mrs. C. B. 541 numbers of periodicals
Riggs, Mrs. H. C. 919 numbers of periodicals
Stedman, Dr. W. G. 322 numbers of periodicals
Young, Dr. C. D. 304 numbers of periodicals

United States Government, 397 Index Cards of Agricultural Department Publications and 21 Folios of Geologic Atlas U. S.

PERIODICALS RECEIVED AS GIFTS

Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletins from the following States: Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, Wisconsin, and also from the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington.

Albany Medical Annals, from Publishers
American Gardening, from George Ellwanger
American Museum Journal, from American Museum Publishers
Association Review, from Boston Public Library
Boston Public Library Bulletin, from Brookline Public Library
Brookline Library Bulletin, from Boston Book Co.
Bulletin of Bibliography, from Chicago City Government
Chicago Statistics, from Mrs. Chas. B. Potter
Churchman, from Columbia University
Columbia University Quarterly, from Hon. J. Breck Perkins
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University Extension Journal, from University of Wisconsin
University of Wisconsin Bulletin, from University of Wisconsin
Vick's Family Magazine, from Publishers
Wellspring, from Publishers
Wilmington Library Bulletin, from Wilmington Free Library
# APPENDIX NO. 6

## STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

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Whole number of readers, 67,525
Whole number of books drawn, 32,573

*Library closed during August.
*Reynolds Reading Room closed two weeks during August.
APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

(For the Year Ending May 31, 1904)

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, $5,645 63
Insurance, 205 35
Fixtures, Furniture, etc., 22 54
Repairs and Maintenance, 165 03
Heating, 618 66
Lighting, 358 92
Water Supply, 15 21
Books, 1,785 47
Periodicals, 675 34
Binding, 823 90
Printing, 129 15
Postage, 16 75
Express, Freight, etc., 25 50
Library Supplies, 85 86
Extraordinary Expenses, 70 50
Expended from Medical Fund, 308 51
Expended from Engineer's Fund, 215 13
Expended from W. J. Gordon Fund, 2 50

$11,169 95
Twentieth Annual Report

Of the

Reynolds Library

Rochester, N. Y.

For Year Ending May 31st, 1905

Rochester, N. Y.
Democrat and Chronicle Press.
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Max Landsberg,
Rufus A. Sibley,
Erickson Perkins.

*Deceased.
# LIBRARY STAFF

**LIBRARIAN,**

**ALFRED S. COLLINS.**

**REYNOLDS LIBRARY (150 Spring St.)**

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**REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade.)**

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In Memoriam

FREDERICK AUGUSTUS WHITTLESEY.

Born August 1, 1827.
Died February 24, 1905.

Member of Board of Trustees of the Reynolds Library in its act of incorporation in 1884.
Member of Library Committee from its organization in 1885 and chairman of the committee from October, 1896, to October, 1902.
President of the Board from October 12, 1902, to the day of his death.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, held April 10, 1905, the Secretary offered the following memorandum, which was adopted by the Board and entered on the minutes:

"For the second time within three years the Reynolds Library is called upon to mourn the death of its President. As one of the incorporators of this body, and therefore one of its original Board of Trustees, Mr. Whittlesey contributed largely to the auspicious initiation of this enterprise and to its steady growth up to the present time. From the beginning he was one of those most actively engaged in carrying on the work and was from the outset one of the Library Committee, upon the members of which devolved the duty of classifying the books that came into their possession from a former collection and of adding to them by wise selection until the whole mass was completely transformed and,
from being an assemblage of popular publications for general circulation, became a real library, richly stored with works of reference for students and specialists. In this position, for which his wide range of reading and his fine literary taste pre-eminently fitted him, he continued till his election to the Presidency, two years ago; but with that change his interest in the Library continued unabated, and his visits to the rooms were, as previously, of daily occurrence till a short time before his death. And so, we, his associates, mourn his loss as that of one of the founders and builders of the Reynolds Library."
REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—The Library Committee present herewith their Twentieth Annual Report.

There were received during the year ending May 31st, 1905,

- By purchase ... 770 Vols.
- By gift ...... ... 680 Vols.
- By binding periodicals. 383 Vols.
- By exchange 2 Vols.

A total of ... 1835 Vols.

There were condemned or lost 127 vols. The number of books now catalogued and shelved is 55,311, a net increase of 1,708 during the year. The books in the Reference Department number 31,544; those for home circulation 23,767. The Library also contains 5,757 pamphlets. The number of cards in the hands of borrowers is 13,960, a gain of 928. This would account for a large increase in the circulation, but another cause was the taking up of many old cards that had not been in use.

The policy followed in the purchase of books was, as before, to procure the important books published in English and a reasonable proportion of the best works of fiction, to strengthen weak departments, and to meet the requests of clubs and individuals for special volumes. Many of the additions were of high character and will prove of permanent worth. Lists of these were published for the guidance of readers. Ten such lists in all have been printed during the past two years. Of the valuable works many were placed in the Reference Room, older and less useful works being transferred to the Circulation Department to make room for them. A partial list of fine works, added in one (the Art) Section only may be given: Bryan’s Dictionary of Painters and Engravers, 5
vols.; McClellan’s Historic Dress in America; Elson’s History of American Music; Taft’s History of American Sculpture; Sturgis’s Dictionary of Architecture; Racinet’s Costume Historique, 6 vols.; Strange’s English Furniture in the Eighteenth Century; Mauclair’s Great French Painters; Holt’s Oriental Rugs; Earle’s Two Centuries of Costume in America.

The arrangement with the Bodley Library, referred to in the last report, was terminated at the end of a year. The books, furnished at a cost of $210, and freight charges, represented fiction for the most part and attracted a considerable number of visitors. Only about 400 volumes, however, were sent to us, though we expected to receive more than double that number. The experiment was not altogether satisfactory. The money required may be used more profitably in the purchase of books of our own selection.

The list of periodicals in the Reading Room as well as in the Library was carefully revised at the end of 1904. More than thirty were dropped and replaced by others that promised to be more useful or of greater popular interest. The change was highly appreciated by many readers. In the Arcade Reading Room are twenty-three daily papers from the most important cities in the country, besides forty-nine weekly and monthly publications. In the Reading Room of the Library one hundred and fifty-six periodicals are taken, besides twenty-four in the Engineering Department and fifty in the Medical Department, or two hundred and ninety-two in all in both rooms. Some of those in the Reading Room of the Library proper appeal rather to the taste of the general reader, but most of them are of a more solid character, covering subjects in every department of thought, research and technical activity.

A separate catalogue of fiction, with titles and names of authors arranged alphabetically, was placed in the Delivery Room early in the year. It contains 5,200 cards and proves a convenience to those who prefer its use to that of the general catalogue.

The Medical and the Engineering Funds received appropriations as usual. Since their establishment, nine or more years ago, the Library has contributed to them about $3,300. The Gordon
Fund was drawn upon to the extent of $318, but there remains to its credit the sum of $751, in addition to the principal of $2,500.

The privileges of the Library were extended again to various societies, classes and clubs. During the season the Lecture Hall was used regularly by fourteen of these associations, and there are meetings of many others, in the Library building and elsewhere. Thus thirty-two clubs and classes were registered with the Library, nearly all of them being aided by books bought or reserved for them on special shelves in the Reference Room.

It was found that the busiest season extended from about October 15th to June 1st. Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays were the heavy days, particularly from three to five o'clock. Often extra chairs and tables were brought into the main hall, which accommodates nearly 50, and on some occasions more than 100 persons at one time were reading or working in the different rooms at the Library. Not counting those visitors who carried on their researches independently, without asking help, the list of subjects studied in this department was greater by 1000, or 25%, than during the previous year. These inquiries are followed largely by pupils of our schools, in their preparation of compositions and debates, or any prescribed tasks. Other visitors with a similar object in view are members of literary clubs and persons who work up subjects for the writing of papers, to gain practical information or merely to increase their knowledge in a general way. Students from the University and the Theological Seminary and many professional men frequented the Library, to use its works of reference. It is worthy of mention that a special interest was shown in the study of political and social questions, particularly of those relating to municipal and government ownership. A case full of books on Foreign Missions also, and the numerous works on the countries of the Far East attracted many readers.

The work done for the children is the most difficult as well as the most interesting. The subjects assigned them are often too abstruse. To discuss them intelligently would tax the ingenuity of the teachers themselves, and to draw definite and valuable conclusions would not infrequently, for any one, be impracticable. Nevertheless every possible aid is given to these youthful seekers in their
tempts to solve speculative problems, or to acquire real know-
edge. Many lists with references are kept up by the Library and
these are easily available for all who wish to pursue special lines
of study. Nothing relating to the progress and the usefulness of
the Library is more satisfactory and encouraging than the serious
work done in these directions by a constantly growing number of
readers. Indices and similar books, helpful in carrying on this
kind of work, are added, as they are published, to our shelves.

The Reynolds Library having now been in existence for
twenty years, a few comparisons of the early times with the present
may not be without value. It started with an "unorganized mass
of about 8,000 books," many of them of little importance. It has
now on its shelves over 55,000 volumes, many of them of great
value. In its first year the books used numbered 4,139. In the
year just closed 20,217 books were drawn for Hall Use and 25,642
were taken to homes—a total of 45,859 volumes, or about 10,000
more than in the best previous year. Those drawn in the Hall by
no means represented the large increase in reference work, because
many (3,500 carefully selected) books which may be used for such
work are on shelves and in revolving cases in the Reference Room
where they are at once available, without the necessity of a formal
request.

The number of visitors at first was small, 10,000 or under, in
a year. After the removal of the Library to its present site in
1895 they were much more numerous both at the Library and at
the Reading Room, which remained in the Arcade building. For
five years following the change the annual average in both places
was nearly 104,000. Doubtless the novelty of the arrangement
attracted many. There was also a large proportion of juvenile
readers, whose interest waned as the books they desired were used
up and never replaced.

The attendance at the Library was greatest in 1897, nearly
52,000. It fell to about 35,000 in 1902. The decline at the Reading
Room was more marked, the number of visitors being over 66,000
in 1897 and only about 23,500 in 1902. In the latter year a reaction
again occurred and the increase still continues in both places. For
this the breaking up of the Central Library was perhaps
responsible in part. During the past year the attendance was very
gratifying, the visitors at the Library being 50,161 and at the
Reading Room 41,115—a total of 91,276. This is a much larger
number than in any year since 1900.

The Library has as varied and valuable a collection of books
as can be expected, its size being taken into account. Its develop-
ment and the extent of its useful work have been remarkable,
considering its comparatively small income—a hindrance felt now
more than at any previous time. The expenses of a library natur-
ally increase with its growth. New buildings are needed for the
accommodation of books added. These buildings have to be
warmed, lighted and kept in repair. More assistants are required
for routine duties and for reference work. In a word the cost of
administration in general continually advances. This means even
when there is a definite income a lessening sum available for the
purchase of books. If now the income instead of remaining assured
and fixed gradually fails, there is a double embarrassment. And
this is the condition the Library has for several years had to face
—increased expenses, diminished income. Nevertheless we must
meet soon the problem of providing additional space for books.
We have already removed from the shelves and stored certain
volumes that are not likely to be in active demand, but the pressure
for room continues.

Two courses are open to us. The first is to make over the
building known as the Coach House, putting in a new floor and
lighting and heating apparatus. The dimensions are about thirty
by forty feet. The high ceiling, nearly fourteen feet, will permit
the erection of two-story stacks, with 144 presses of six shelves
and 144 of seven shelves, giving over a mile of shelving and
affording accommodations for 25,000 volumes and over. It is to
be understood that the shelves in a library, systematically arranged
and growing, can rarely be filled. A considerable percentage of
room must be left for expansion in the many sections. If the
Coach House is changed as proposed it would be used for the
storage of books strictly and to the fullest extent, without pro-
vision made for the accommodation of readers, as in the present
wing. A complete set of cases would not be needed at once. The
cost, though not as yet carefully estimated, would probably not amount to $600. The Committee are inclined to favor the utilizing of this building, on the score of economy. They feel that in the present state of our finances, it should not be sacrificed, when it can easily be altered so as to accommodate the growth of the Library, at its present rate, for perhaps ten years to come. It is sufficiently strong, as no pressure will be borne by the walls, the stacks being built up from the ground. Though it was not designed for such a purpose and though its floor is about two feet below that of the main building it will be a commodious and not altogether inharmonious addition to the present structures. Whole sections of the Library, not in active request, could be placed in it, at once, thus relieving the portions whose volumes are continually in demand. It would be free from the dampness which prevents the safe storage of books in the basement. This dampness is due as before stated, to an inadequate sewer, a defect that cannot be remedied until the whole drainage system of the neighborhood is enlarged. The attic of the Coach House, though in every way ample, could not be used, as the floor, suspended by rods from roof trusses, would not bear a heavy weight.

The other course would be to construct another wing or unit at a cost of probably $7,000 to $8,000, either on the site of the Coach House, or on the ground next it on the north. In the latter case the question of the ultimate disposition of the Coach House could be conveniently deferred. This plan has the advantage of making symmetrical additions in accordance with the general plan, considered several years ago, for the indefinite expansion of the Library buildings. Such a wing would furnish space for 17,000, or more, volumes.

These then are the various aspects of the problem—to utilize the Coach House, to remove it and erect a wing, to leave it for the present and construct a wing on adjoining land. If ample funds were available the addition of wings or units would be desirable. In their absence, the temporary appropriation of the Coach House seems to be indicated. The Committee are carefully considering the subject and ask your advice and co-operation.

A more vital question however relates to the progressive
impoverishment of this Institution by the taxes levied annually by the city and the county, or we might almost say by the city alone as the most important constituent of the county. These taxes depend on the unfortunate fact that the Library's only source of revenue is the rent roll of an old commercial building, the Reynolds Arcade. The subject was discussed in the Twelfth Annual Report, soon after the State law under which the taxes are collected was passed. It was then shown that the State was doing a great injustice in taxing a free library engaged in the educational work that is one of the important duties resting on public authority, and that the application of the law to this Library, whose property was all in real estate, practically amounted to special legislation. The further injustice of curtailing the library facilities of our city by such taxes was also shown. This matter is now become more urgent and critical because of the present condition of our finances—diminishing income, to defray expenses that must increase, if the Library is to continue to grow and to serve the community effectively.

The taxes referred to have, in the past nine years, amounted to $52,202 (city, $41,568; county, $10,634)—a sum equal to nearly eighty per cent. of all the money spent for books by the Library since it was opened twenty years ago, including periodicals, binding and contributions to the Medical and Engineering Funds. If we reject the latter items the taxes during the nine years have been over four times as great as the cost of books alone purchased in the same period ($12,656) i.e. every time we have bought $5.00 worth of books, we have paid the city and the county nearly $21.00 for the privilege. These taxes eat up one-third of our net income. Though their amount is inappreciable in the ample budgets of city and county—a mere trifle whose absence would not be noticed—to pay them is almost ruinous to the Library. If the city were to establish its own library, in a suitable building, and maintain it properly—a library equal in size, character and usefulness to that now existing on the Reynolds Foundation, it would expend in the original outlay and for annual support a sum to which the taxes now collected from this Institution would bear an insignificant proportion. It could not form a better library, or make one more
free or more useful to the community, or conduct it on sounder principles. This city is probably the only one of importance in the country that does not devote large sums, measured in fact by tens of thousands of dollars a year, to the support of a library. Indeed there are many small towns and even villages which regard such appropriations as a wise and necessary policy. This city also is perhaps the only one that cripples by taxation an institution that performs gratuitously—without one dollar of cost to the community—the function of a free public library. There is undoubtedly no other instance of the people being deprived of important privileges, of a sacrifice of large public interests, for the sake of a petty gain.

The income of the Reynolds Library is at best not large, but the whole of it should be available for the mass of the people, who are its true and sole beneficiaries. The Committee need not detail to this Board the great advantage to the people if the Library had expended during the past nine years, or had now at its disposal this sum of over $52,000, which has gone into the city and county treasuries.

The Reynolds Library has an excellent plant, favorably situated on beautiful grounds that are also ample enough for indefinite expansion. It has a large and well chosen collection of books. It is conducted by an efficient Staff, in accordance with the most advanced and approved methods. With moderate financial assistance it could meet all the needs of the community for a free, progressive library, for the entertainment and instruction of the people at large as well as for the use of the advanced student, or of the professional scholar. In connection with the admirable and select libraries of the University and the Theological Seminary the city would then be generously supplied with books of every description. The existence of these fine collections of books should no longer be ignored by those critics, unfamiliar with the subject, who occasionally write to the daily press, deploring Rochester's lack of library privileges. On every ground of wise public policy then—of economy, of utilizing existing appliances without unnecessary duplication, of justice to the people and care of their interests—the city should relieve this Library of
the heavy pecuniary burden which now rests upon it, is borne with
greater difficulty than at any previous time and effectually pre-
vents its doing the full and perfect work of which it is capable.

In further discussion of this subject, it may be said that the
establishment of a large and rich Reference Department has been
the aim of the Trustees from the beginning. This was indicated
in the First Report, in 1886, the reason being in part the fact that
by building up an entirely new Reference Department the Library
could be rendered useful to readers more quickly than through
the slower processes of classifying and cataloguing the books
already in hand, many of which also were of little value. In every
succeeding report this plan was regarded as a primary, funda-
mental and correct policy. But such a restriction was never quite
satisfactory to the people at large. It led to unreasonable criti-
cism. It represented to many a thing solemn, dull, remote,
repellant. This objection was fully discussed in the Report for
1902. The restriction also was never as narrow as its reiterated
statement might have implied. Along with its development there
was made fortunately a large purchase of books adapted to general
circulation, though this was always understood to be incidental
and subsidiary to the main purpose. As a consequence the wants
of borrowers for home use were fairly well met. In fact the
volumes taken by them were nearly every year more numerous
than those drawn for consultation in the Library—about 70%
greater on the whole. The institution was thus kept in a more direct
touch with the people.

The Reference Department is now nearly full and up to date,
exceeding in scope that of many libraries which are much larger
and have ampler resources. Naturally it can never become definitive
and complete while men investigate, invent, discover and write
books. In the future additions will be made, though the necessity
of a great increase may not be so pressing as in the past, and the
serious work of students, as distinguished from the mere enter-
tainment sought by some, will continue to be encouraged. In the
future also requests by individuals, classes and other associations
for the purchase of books will continue to be complied with. It
is desirable, however, that the interests of general readers, includ-
ing the pupils in our schools, many of whom now resort to the Library for help in their assigned studies, should receive more attention, as our means permit. The Central Library, which for years supplied this need, in a measure, exists no longer. We should try to make the Reynolds Library take its place, and become more and more a library for the people, free to all, and ministering rationally to their wants as readers. Specially must this be the case if we are to expect official recognition from the city. If we employ our resources in a large and generous way for the sole benefit of all the people we may well be justified in asking municipal aid for the extension of our work, exactly as if this Foundation represented a library established and controlled by the people. The field is a broad one, but with our present buildings and space for all needed additions, we should be made able to cover it, thus saving to the city the very large cost involved in the erection and maintenance of a municipal library. The opportunity to the city is great, to secure the ampest library benefits at the minimum of expense and trouble.

The Committee are aware that the enlargement suggested cannot be attained with the present meagre income of the Reynolds Library. But if our heavy taxes were removed by the Legislature, or returned to us, with a reasonable additional allowance by the city, a sufficient expansion could be made to meet every demand of the people for library facilities.

The point specially presented for your consideration in this report then is this: The growth of the Reynolds Library has tended towards the creation of a Reference Department, now fairly complete, rather than towards the acquisition of a collection of books for Home Use. Without neglect of the former, the latter should be adequately developed, as there is now no other library performing that function, and changed conditions require a change of policy. The people respond with quick appreciation to every enlargement of such privileges. The diminished revenues, accompanied by the increased expenses of this Library, forbid its entering upon the additional work suggested, without relief from taxation, or money contributions, or both. These being provided,
its perfect equipment would enable it to undertake this work and carry it forward successfully.

The suggestions made in this report of a close relation between the Reynolds Library and the city are not new; they are in line with those presented to the Mayor by a Committee of this Board, still in existence, early in 1904. But present circumstances make the subject of special importance, and its further discussion is apparently desirable.

The usual appendices are presented with this report.

Charles A. Dewey,
William R. Taylor,
Max Landsberg,

Library Committee.

Rochester, June 1st, 1905.
APPENDIX NO. 1

READING CLASSES, CLUBS, ETC., AFFILIATED WITH THE LIBRARY

Those Meeting at the Library.

Alliance Française, Weekly.
Bird Section of the Academy of Science, Weekly.
College Women's Club, Monthly.
Hospital Medical Association, One Meeting.
Lady Managers Hahnemann Hospital, Monthly.
Monroe County Nurses Association, Quarterly.
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Weekly.
Rochester Academy of Science, Twice a Month.
Rochester Dental Association, One Meeting.
Rochester Engineering Society, Twice a Month.
Rochester Historical Society, Quarterly.
Rochester Theosophical Society, Weekly.
Travelers' Club of the Nichols School, Fortnightly.

Those not meeting at the Library but receiving assistance by books bought, books reserved, special book shelves, etc.

Alling Debate.
Daughters of the American Revolution.
East High School Debating Society.
High School Class in English.
Livingston Park Seminary Classes.
Mechanics Institute Class in Biology.
Miss Hakes's Classes.
Miss Sterling's Classes.
Mrs. Hall's Art Classes.
Ponedel'nik.
Rochester Colonial Reading Circle.
Roundabout Club.
Teachers' Class in Psychology.
Travelers' Club.
Tuesday Reading Club.
Unity Club.
Women's Educational and Industrial Union.
Women's Missionary Society.

APPENDIX NO. 2

CURRENT PERIODICALS IN THE REFERENCE ROOM

Academy, Academy
American Architect, American Architect
American Historical Review, American Historical Review
American Journal of Archaeology, American Journal of Archaeology
American Journal of Science, American Journal of Science
American Journal of Sociology, American Journal of Sociology
American Museum Journal, American Museum Journal
American Naturalist, American Naturalist
American Review of Reviews, American Review of Reviews
Architectural Record, Architectural Record
Arena, Arena
Army and Navy Journal, Army and Navy Journal
Art Journal, Art Journal
Art Workers' Quarterly, Art Workers' Quarterly
Association Review, Association Review
Athenaeum, Athenaeum
Atlantic Monthly, Atlantic Monthly
Blackwood's Magazine, Blackwood's Magazine
Book-Buyer, Book-Buyer
Bon Ton, Bon Ton
Bookman, Bookman
Bookseller, Bookseller
Brush and Pencil, Brush and Pencil
Bulletin of Bibliography, Bulletin of Bibliography
Case and Comment, Case and Comment
Catholic World, Catholic World
Century, Century
Charities, Charities
Chautauquan, Chautauquan
Chicago Statistics, Chicago Statistics
Churchman, Churchman
Collier's Weekly, Collier's Weekly
Commercial and Financial Chronicle, Commercial and Financial Chronicle
Commons, Commons
Congressional Record, Congressional Record
Connoisseur, Connoisseur
Contemporary Review, Contemporary Review
Cook's Excursionist, Cook's Excursionist
Cosmopolitan, Cosmopolitan
Country Life in America, Country Life in America
Critic, Critic
Cumulative Index, Cumulative Index
Current Literature, Current Literature
Delineator, Delineator
Deutsche Rundschau, Deutsche Rundschau
Dial, Dial
Edinburgh Review, Edinburgh Review
Education, Education
Educational Review, Educational Review
Electrical World, Electrical World
Engineering, Engineering
TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

Engineering Magazine,
English Historical Review,
Everybody's Magazine,
Fortnightly Review,
Forum,
Four Track News,
Garden,
Gardener's Chronicle,
Gardener's Magazine,
Geographical Journal,
Good Government,
Good Housekeeping,
Harper's Bazar,
Harper's Magazine,
Harper's Weekly,
Hibbert Journal,
Hospital Leaflet,
Hospital News,
Hospital Review,
Illustrated London News,
Imperial and Asiatic Review,
Independent,
Indian's Friend,
International Quarterly,
Johns Hopkins University Studies,
Journal of American Folk Lore,
Journal of Political Economy,
Journal of the Franklin Institute,
Journal of the Royal Microscopical Society,
Journal of Zoophily,
Legal Bibliography,
Leslie's Monthly,
Leslie's Weekly,
Library Journal,
Library Record,
Lippincott's Magazine,
Literary Digest,
Living Age,
London Quarterly Review,
McClure's Magazine,
Manual Training Magazine,
Massachusetts Labor Bulletin,
Masters in Art,
Mind,
Missionary Review,
Monthly Cumulative Book Index
Munsey's Magazine,
Nation,
Nature,
New Church Review,
New England Historical and Genealogical Register,
N. Y. Labor Bureau Bulletin,
N. Y. State Board of Health Bulletins,
Nineteenth Century,
North American Review,
Notes and Queries,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office,
Open Court,
Outing,
Outlook,
Pearson's Magazine,
Poet Lore,
Political Science Quarterly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Public Opinion,
Publishers' Circular,
Publishers' Weekly,
Pythian Knight,
Quarterly Journal of Economics,
Quarterly Review,
Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature,
Revue des Deux Mondes,
Rochester Board of Health Reports,
St. Nicholas,
San Francisco Argonaut,
Saturday Evening Post,
Saturday Review,
Science,
Scientific American,
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American Builders’ Edition, 
Scribner’s Magazine, 
Sound Currency, 
Spectator, 
Stevens’ Indicator, 
Strand, 
Studio, 
Success, 
Teachers’ College Record, 
Teachers’ Sanitary Bulletin, 
Technical World, 
Theosophical Review, 

University Extension Journal. 
Van Nostrand’s Monthly Record, 
Vick’s Family Magazine, 
Vogue, 
Westermann’s Monthly, 
Westminster Review, 
Woman’s Home Companion, 
Woman’s Journal, 
World To-day, 
World’s Work, 
Yale Review, 
Youth’s Companion.

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS

American Engineer, 
American Railway Master Mechanics’ Assn. Proceedings, 
American Society of Civil Engineers. Proceedings, 
American Street Railway Assn. Proceedings, 
Architecture, 
Architects’ and Builders’ Magazine, 
Carpentry and Building, 
Engineer, 
Engineering News, 
Engineering Record, 
Inland Architect, 
International Railway Congress Bulletin, 

Institution of Civil Engineers. Proceedings, 
Journal of Association of Engineering Societies, 
Journal of the Western Society of Engineers, 
Master Car Builders’ Association. Proceedings, 
Municipal Engineering, 
N. Y. Railway Club. Proceedings, 
Photo-Miniature, 
Proceedings of the Engineers’ Club of Philadelphia. 
Railroad Gazette, 
Railway Age, 
Railway and Locomotive Engineering, 
Street Railway Journal.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS

Albany Medical Annals, 
American Journal of Insanity, 
American Journal of Obstetrics, 
American Journal of the Medical Sciences, 
Annales de l’ Institute Pasteur, 
Annals of Surgery, 

Archiv für Pathologische Anatomie, 
Archives de Médecine Experimentale, 
Archives de Neurologie, 
Archives of Ophthalmology, 
Archives of Otology,
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Archives of Pediatrics,
Berliner Klinische Wochen- schrift,
Boston Medical and Surgical Journal,
Brain,
British Journal of Dermatology,
British Medical Journal,
Bulletin of Johns Hopkins Hospital,
Chicago Medical Recorder,
Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift,
Deutsche Zeitschrift für Chirurgie,
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Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases,
Lancet,
Lyon Médical,
Medical News,
Medical Press and Circular,
Medical Record,
Medical Review of Reviews,
Medico-Legal Journal,
Monatschrifte für Praktische Dermatologie,
Montreal Medical Journal,
New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal,
New York Medical Journal,
Ophthalmic Review,
Practitioner,
Progrés Medical,
Quarterly Journal of Inebriety,
Revue de Chirurgie,
Revue de Médecine,
Therapeutic Gazette,
Wiener Medizinische Wochenschrift.

APPENDIX NO. 3

SOCIETY TRANSACTIONS AND SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS REGULARLY RECEIVED

(1) Society Publications.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals,
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Proceedings,
American Economic Association, Publications,
American Folk Lore Society, Journal,
American Historical Association, Papers,

American Historical Association, Reports,
American Library Association, Proceedings,
American Medical Association, Journal,
American Museum, Journal,
American Railway Master Mechanics’ Association, Proceedings,
American Social Science Association, Journal,
American Society of Civil Engineers, Transactions,
American Statistical Association, Publications,
Association of Engineering Societies, Journal,
Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Reports,
Buffalo Park Commission, Annual Reports,
Chicago Library Club,
College Settlements Association, Annual Reports,
Connecticut State Board of Health,
Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, Proceedings,
Franklin Institute, Journal,
Indian Rights Association, Reports and Publications,
Institution of Civil Engineers, Proceedings,
Kansas State Historical Society, Reports,
Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration, Proceedings,
Lake Mohonk Conference on Protection of Indians, Proceedings,
Manchester Museum,
Massachusetts Historical Society, Collections and Reports,
Master Car Builders' Association, Proceedings,
Medical Association of Central New York, Reports,
Medical Society of the State of New York, Transactions,
Merchants' Association of New York,
Michigan State Board of Health, Reports,
Monroe County Medical Society, Reports,
National Civil Service Reform League, Reports,
National Conference for Good City Government, Proceedings,
National Conference of Charities and Correction, Proceedings,
National Museum, Reports,
National Woman Suffrage Association, Proceedings,
New York Academy of Medicine, Reports,
New York Civil Service Reform Association, Reports,
New York Historical Society, Collections,
New York State Bar Association, Reports,
New York State Board of Health, Reports,
New York State Medical Association, Transactions,
Peace Associations of Friends, Publications,
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Journal,
Rhode Island Historical Society, Collections,
Rochester Academy of Medicine, Publications,
Rochester Academy of Science, Publications,
Rochester Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, Catalogue,
Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Reports,
Rochester Historical Society, Publications,
Royal Geographical Society of London, Publications,
Royal Microscopical Society, Journal,
Smithsonian Institution, Publications,  
Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, Proceedings,  
Society of Naval Architects, Transactions,  
State Charities Aid Association, Reports,  
Western Society of Engineers, Journal,  
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Proceedings.

(2) Libraries and Educational Institutions

Allegheny Carnegie Library,  
Amherst College,  
Armour Institute of Technology,  
Belleville Public Library,  
Beloit College,  
Bosler Memorial Library,  
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Gloversville Public Library,  
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Harvard University,  
Hobart College,  
Illinois University,  
Iowa Masonic Library,  
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John Crerar Library,  
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Leland Stanford, Jr., University,  
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STATE DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary,
American Republics, Bureau,
Commercial Relations,
Consular Reports (regular and special),
Rolls and Library Bureau.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary,
Coast and Geodetic Survey,
Comptroller of Currency,
Foreign Commerce,
Internal Commerce,
Internal Revenue,
Life Saving Service,
Mint, Bureau,
Statistics, Bureau.

WAR DEPARTMENT
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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary,
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Education, Bureau,
Geological Survey,
Indian Affairs, Board of Commissioners,
Indian Affairs, Commissioner,
Land Office,
Miscellaneous Reports,
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AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT
Report of Secretary,
Agrostology, Division,
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Botany Division,
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Fiber Investigation Office,
Foreign Markets Section,
Forestry Division,
Library Bulletin,
Pomology Division,
Publications Division,
Road Inquiry Office,
Soils Division,
Statistics Division,
Vegetable Pathology Division,
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OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND BUREAUS.
Civil Service Commission,
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Labor Department,
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Insurance Department,
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Mediation and Arbitration,
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(6) *Other Serials*

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**ANNUALS.**

Almanach de Gotha,
American Book Prices Current,
Annual American Catalogue,
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Annual Register,
British Almanac and Companion,
Church of England Year Book,
Commercial Year Book,
Cumulative Book Review Digest,
Cumulative Index,
English Catalogue,
Hazell's Annual,
International Year Book,
Jordell's Repertoire Bibliographique,
Minerva, Jahrbuch der Gelehrten Welt,
N. Y. State Clerk's Manual,
N. Y. State Legislative Manual,
N. Y. State Red Book,
Official Gazette of the Patent Office, Index,
Publisher's Trade List Annual,
REYNOLDS LIBRARY


Year Book of Scientific and Learned Societies.

BIENNIALS
Rochester Street Directory, United States Blue Book (Official Register).

FIVE YEARLY.
American Catalogue, Hinrich’s Bücher Catalog, Poole’s Index to Periodicals, Reference Catalogue (English).

APPENDIX NO. 4
CURRENT PERIODICALS IN REYNOLDS READING ROOM
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DAILY

Toronto Globe, Washington Post.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY
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House Beautiful,
Illustrated London News,
Iron Age,
Ladies' Home Journal,
Leslie's Monthly,
Leslie's Weekly,
Life,
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Literary Digest,
London Times (Weekly),
McClure's Magazine,
Munsey's Magazine,
Musical Courier,
New England Magazine,
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Theosophical Review, from Publishers
Union and Advertiser (2 copies), from Publishers
U. S. Consular Reports, from U. S. Government
U. S. Department of Labor Bulletin, from U. S. Government
U. S. Public Documents Catalogue, from U. S. Government
U. S. Statistical Bureau Bulletin, from U. S. Government
U. S. Weather Crop Bulletin, from U. S. Government
University Extension Journal, from Publishers
University of Wisconsin Bulletin, from University of Wisconsin
Vick's Family Magazine, from Publishers
Wilmington Library Bulletin, from Wilmington Free Library
APPENDIX NO. 6
STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

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Whole number of readers, 91,276
Whole number of books drawn, 45,859

*Library closed during August.
*Reynolds Reading Room closed two weeks during August.
TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

APPENDIX NO. 7

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE
(For the Year Ending May 31, 1905)

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, $4,824.40
Insurance, 377.53
Fixtures, Furniture, etc., 57.55
Repairs and Maintenance, 590.78
Heating, 553.00
Lighting, 395.64
Water Supply, 11.20
Books, 1,066.12
Periodicals, 625.20
Binding, 465.55
Printing, 116.21
Postage, 17.20
Express, Freight, etc., 27.44
Library Supplies, 59.53
Sundries, 13.20
Extraordinary Expenses, 157.50
Expended from Gordon Fund, 318.04
Expended from Engineer's Fund, 156.45
Expended from Medical Fund, 363.45

$10,195.99
TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

The Library Committee present their Twenty-first Annual Report, as follows:

During the year ending May 31st, 1906, there were received:

By purchase 1335 Vols.
By binding periodicals 303 Vols.
By gift ... 1531 Vols.

A total of 3169 Vols.

Deducting 243 vols. condemned, the net increase was 2,926. The number of books catalogued and shelved is now 58,237, of which 33,321 are in the Reference Department and 24,916 are for home circulation. There are also 5,857 pamphlets—2,180 catalogued and 3,677 classed and shelved. The cards used by borrowers numbered 2,970. The names of 1,164 card-holders were added.

There was no change worthy of comment in the policy or management of the Library. The work increased by about ten per cent. over that of the previous year. The attendance in the Library was 52,735, in the Arcade Reading Room 48,174; in all, 100,909. The books drawn for hall use were 22,300, for home use 28,496—a total of 50,796. The subjects on which information was sought from the librarians were 5,237.

Thirty-one societies or classes met regularly at the Library, or received special accommodation and assistance. Two lists,
containing about 740 titles of books, were printed and distributed for the information of readers. Pending the preparation of a given list, the names of the books it will contain are posted on the bulletin boards. Thus, accessions are immediately made known to the public. Those intended for home circulation, being placed on the open shelves in the Distribution Room, are accessible at once for examination.

The lists of periodicals, though changing somewhat from time to time, remain as full and attractive as at any previous period.

The Committee, acting in conjunction with the Building Committee, as directed by your Board, undertook the changes and repairs mentioned in previous reports to fit the Coach House for the reception of books. This work is well advanced, and when completed during the coming summer, will provide room for 25,000 additional volumes, at an expense of about $2,700. Essential modification and enlargement of the first plans, which were only tentative, were necessary. The building was strengthened and both stories will be utilized. The cost will be greater than was estimated for the partial reconstruction originally contemplated, but the results are such as amply to justify the increase. The Library will have a convenient building at one-fourth the cost of a new “unit,” equally commodious. When the time comes to provide again for the constant accumulation of books, the necessity will hardly be met as easily as in the present instance. Questions relating to a larger heating apparatus, in another location, for example, and to other important changes will demand the attention of the Board.

The Library was favored with many gifts during the year. A complete list of the same is given in an appendix to this report. We are specially indebted to Hon. James Breck Perkins, to Senators Armstrong and Lewis, to the government at Washington, to the State of New York and to the University of the State of New York. The public documents, scientific reports, etc., thus received are very valuable, and many of them are in constant request. Our collection of such publications is large and fairly
complete. We should acknowledge also our obligations to Miss Julia Griffith, Mrs. Franklin Smith, Mrs. Frederick Cook, Miss Susan B. Anthony, Mrs. C. C. Woodworth, Mrs. C. H. Boynton, (Geneseo), Mr. George P. Humphrey, Messrs. Drew, Allis & Co., Mr. Edward Harris, Mr. S. B. Williams, Dr. B. Wilson and Mr. W. K. Bixby (St. Louis), for important additions.

Three appendices accompany this report.

CHARLES A. DEWEY,
MAX LANDSBERG,
W. R. TAYLOR.

Library Committee.

Rochester, June 1st, 1906.
APPENDIX NO. 1

The following societies, classes, etc., either held their meetings regularly at the Library, or received assistance by books bought, books reserved, special book shelves, etc.

APPENDIX NO. 2

Gifts of volumes, reports, pamphlets, periodicals, etc., etc., have been received from:

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Whole number of readers, 100,909
Whole number of books drawn, 50,796

*Library closed during August.

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TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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*Deceased November 26, 1906.
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REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee present herewith their Twenty-second Annual Report.

The operations of the Library for the year ending May 31st, 1907, are indicated by the following statistics:

Books added by purchase 984
Books added by binding periodicals ... 285
Books added by gift ... 902
Books condemned 43
Net increase ............ 2128 vols.
Attendance in Library .. 51948
Attendance in the Arcade reading room ... 49636
Whole number of readers 101584
Whole number of books drawn ........ 53175
Or, for hall use ....... 21731
" Home use ....... 31444
Subjects looked up by librarians at request of readers 5027
Number of periodicals in the two reading rooms ........ 215
Medical periodicals, additional. 52
Engineering periodicals, additional .. .. ..... 22

The library on May 31st, 1907, contained 60365 vols., catalogued and shelved, of which 34392 were in the Reference Department and 25973 in the Circulation Department.
TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

Two lists comprising 660 titles of the more important acquisitions were published. A number of beautiful and expensive works on art and travel, and book-lists, to facilitate research, were among the noteworthy additions.

The list of those making gifts to the library is a long one. Among them may be mentioned the National and State governments, Hon. James Breck Perkins, Hon. William W. Armstrong, Mr. S. C. Fay, Mrs. H. S. Greenleaf, Mr. G. P. Humphrey, Mrs. G. W. Hauert, Mrs. Gilman H. Perkins, Rochester School Commissioners, Mrs. Franklin Smith, Dr. W. G. Stedman, Dr. C. D. Young.

The use of the library increased somewhat during the year and implied perhaps more serious and prolonged study on the part of visitors than at any previous period. The books bought represented the most valuable new publications in the English language and a reasonable proportion of lighter literature and fiction. Many other books, fairly interesting, were rejected, though funds for their purchase were available, because they did not conform to the standard that had been set.

During the year the work of fitting the Coach house for the reception of books, one mile of additional shelving being thus secured, was satisfactorily completed. The library buildings were newly fitted with electric lighting apparatus of the most improved pattern and many necessary repairs and renovations were made. The amount of insurance was increased by $17,500. Details of these additions and improvements, with statements of cost, have already been brought to your attention.

Three appendices are presented with this report.

CHARLES A. DEWEY,
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,
MAX LANDSBERG,

Library Committee.

Rochester, June 1st, 1907.
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The following societies, classes, etc. either held their meetings regularly at the Library, or received assistance by books bought, books reserved, special book shelves, etc.

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_Gifts of volumes, reports, pamphlets, periodicals, etc., etc. have been received from:_

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Mechanics & Tradesmen, N. Y.—Gillette, W. K.—Gloversville
Public Library—Good Government—Grand Lodge of Pennsyl-
vania—Grand Rapids Public Library—Green, Hon. Samuel A.—
Greenleaf, Mrs. H. S.—Grosvenor, O. G.—Hahnemann Medical
College of Philadelphia—Hartford Theological Seminary—Har-
vard University—Hastings, W. M.—Hauert, Mrs. G. W.—Hen-
rikson, G.—Hillman, H W.—Hobart College—Hoboken Public
Illinois Agri. Exper. Station—Indian Rights Association—Inter-
national Physio-Psychic Society—Iowa Masonic Library—Jack-
sonville Public Library—Jersey City Public Library—John B.
Stetson University—John Crerar Library—Kansas State Board
of Agriculture—Kentucky Agri. Exper. Station—Lake Forest
College—Lake Mohonk Friends of Indian Conference—Lake
Mohonk International Arbitration Conference—Landsberg, Dr.
Max—Larned, Charles—Lawrence Public Library—Lawson,
Thomas, W.—Lee, Ivy L.—Leland Stanford University—Library
of Congress—Los Angeles Public Library—Manchester Museum
—Massachusetts Agri. Exper. Station—Massachusetts Public
Library Commission—Massachusetts Highway Commission—
Massachusetts Statistics of Labor Bureau—Merchant’s Associa-
tion of N. Y.—Michigan State Board of Health—Michigan State
Library—Minneapolis Public Library—Minnesota Forest Com-
mission—Moll, Max S.—Monroe Co. Board of Supervisors—
Moore, E. W.—Mt. Holyoke College—Naramore, C. C.—
National Civil Service Reform League—National Indian Associa-
Station—New Church Review—N. Y. Agri. Exper. Station—N. Y.
Homoeopathic Medical College—N. Y. City Park Department—
N. Y. Society Library—N. Y. State Board of Charities—N. Y.
State Govt.—N Y State Library—New Zealand Govt.—
Newark (N. J.) Public Library—Newberry Library—New-
castle upon Tyne Public Library—Niagara Falls Public Library—
Niagara State Reservation—North Western Dispensary, N. Y.—
Northwestern University—Oberlin College—Ohio Agri. Exper.
TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

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Whole number of readers, 101584
Whole number of books drawn, 53175

*Library closed during August.

*Reynolds Reading Room closed three weeks during August.
TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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Assistant Librarian.
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Page.
Janitor.

REYNOLDS READING ROOM (118 Reynolds Arcade.)

Mrs. C. M. MacCarthy,

Superintendent.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee beg to present their Twenty-third Annual Report.

The progress and the work of the Library for the year ended May 31st, 1908, are shown in part by the condensed statements that follow:

Books added by purchase 1164
Books added by binding periodicals 310
Books added by gift 447
Books condemned 246
Net increase .. 1666
Attendance in Library 58288
Attendance in Arcade reading room 59096
Whole number of readers 117384
Whole number of books drawn 60725
Or, for Hall use 21007
for Home use 39718
Subjects looked up by librarians, for readers .. 4119
Number of periodicals 214
Medical periodicals, additional 51
Engineering periodicals, additional 21
Number of volumes catalogued and shelved 62031
Or, in Reference Department .. 35145
in Circulation Department 26886
Whole number of borrowers’ cards issued .. 17987
Cards issued during the year 1591
Cards used during the year 3411

Cards unused for a year are cancelled, but may at any time be re-issued.
The number of books drawn by subjects was as follows:

- Mathematics, Philosophy, Sciences: 2252
- Theology, Religion: 575
- History: 1272
- Geography, Travel: 1667
- Biography: 1604
- Language, Literature: 2569
- Fine Arts, Useful Arts: 970
- Fiction: 28809

The reading of fiction increased eight per cent. over 1905-6, and two per cent. over 1906-7, though the addition of books of that character was not large.

Two lists, comprising 801 titles of books most likely to be in request, were printed and distributed.

The gifts of books were less by one-half than those in the previous year. We record gratefully our obligations to the National and State governments and the Smithsonian Institution, to the City papers, to Hon. James Breck Perkins, Senator W. W. Armstrong, Drew-Allis Co., Dr. J. E. Line, Mr. W. H. Samson, Mr. F. W. Smith, Mr. H. C. Rew of Buffalo, Mr. F. A. Moses, and the other friends who have remembered us.

The Library was kept open on week-days in August, from 2 o'clock until 6. The experiment was a gratifying success, the number of visitors averaging about 100 each day. The same rule will be adopted this year.

The increase in attendance (though several societies formerly meeting with us come no longer) and in books drawn was large. In the matter of subjects looked up by the librarians for students there was a decline of nearly twenty per cent. This was due entirely to diminished use of the library by pupils of the public schools. Each school is now acquiring an independent collection of books. When the Central Library, which it was found had been unlawfully maintained, was broken up in 1904, about 18000 volumes (most of them, it is true, of little value) were sent to
the various schools. The same year the Board of Education began the purchase of books. They have since added 7627 volumes for home circulation, besides 4788 books for reference. The sums spent have averaged $5,000 annually. The amounts needed to replace old books have averaged $1,250 a year. When this plan as at present outlined is carried out, the schools in their various rooms will be in possession of at least 24000 volumes. With such facilities, in thirty-six locations distributed throughout the city, it is evident that visits by pupils to this Library will tend to diminish, except for consultation of such expensive or voluminous works as the school collections are not at once likely to contain.

The Reynolds and the school libraries now number 75000 books, soon to be increased to 100000. These are of all kinds—such as are adapted to the entertainment and instruction of the people generally (even the quite young), and such as are useful for serious study. This large aggregate of books does not indicate a dearth of library facilities—such as, according to some, exists and is a standing reproach and misfortune to the city. Furthermore, the University possesses 48000 and the Theological Seminary 36000 volumes, many of those in the latter institution being of interest to the general reader as well as to its own students. These important collections may be used by the public, under certain proper and necessary restrictions. We have thus in Rochester, accessible to readers, 160000 volumes, the number increasing each year by several thousand. The proportion of works of high and permanent value in these various collections is unusually large. A truer estimate of the situation, then, would seem to be that Rochester, although it has no library owned and managed by the corporation, has yet a creditable supply of excellent books, suited to the needs of all classes of readers. Nevertheless, a municipal library, generously planned and supported and wisely conducted, is a desideratum, and will undoubtedly be established in due time as the city becomes larger and increasingly prosperous, and its more pressing material needs are met. It would be a grand achievement if such library devel-
opment were undertaken by private initiative and munificence, as a matter of civic loyalty and pride on the part of individuals, in advance of the city’s readiness to act.

During the past year extensive repairs and renovations were made. The stable on Goldsmith Place was purchased. The unbroken east line of the property was thus restored by the acquisition of this piece of land, which will be indispensable whenever additions to the Library plant are needed.


Three appendices are presented with this report.

CHARLES A. DEWEY,
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,
MAX LANDSBERG,

Library Committee.

Rochester, June 1st, 1908.
APPENDIX NO. 1

The following societies, classes, etc., either held their meetings regularly at the Library, or received assistance by books bought, books reserved, special book shelves, etc.

APPENDIX No. 2

Gifts of volumes, reports, pamphlets, periodicals, etc., etc., have been received from:

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

## APPENDIX NO. 3

### STATISTICS SHOWING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

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Whole number of readers, 117,384
Whole number of books drawn, 60,725

*Library open 2 P. M. to 6 P. M. week days during August.
*Reynolds Reading Room closed during August.
TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

REYNOLDS LIBRARY

ROCHESTER, N. Y.

FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 31ST, 1909.

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Mrs. C. M. MacCarthy, Superintendent.
REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee present herewith their Twenty-fourth Annual Report.

The growth and the work of the Library and the Reading Room for the year ended May 31, 1909, are shown, so far as they can be represented in figures, by the following statistics:

Books added by purchase 1422
Books added by binding periodicals 301
Books added by gift 606
Books condemned 226
Net increase 2103

Number of volumes catalogued and shelved 64134
Or, in Reference Department 35973
In Circulation Department 28161
Attendance in Library 58369
Attendance in Arcade Reading Room (to March 30, 1909) 55834
Whole number of readers 114203
Whole number of books drawn 61500
Or. for Hall use 18923
For House use 42577
Subjects looked up by librarians for readers 3245
Periodicals 221
Medical periodicals additional 53
Engineering periodicals additional 22
Cards issued during the year 1348
Cards used during the year 5217

There was a considerable increase in the number of books added, of readers (except for the loss of two months attendance in the Reading Room, and of the members of societies that now
for convenience' sake meet elsewhere, or no longer exist) and of borrowers' cards used. There were fewer pupils seeking information on assigned themes, due in large part, presumably, to the growth of the libraries in the schools of the city. Nevertheless, there was a constant increase in the number of adult readers coming to the library for serious study. The House use of books, also, was greater than in the previous year. This use, to the extent that it depends on fiction, could be easily stimulated by large additions in that department. Such a course, however, is not followed because most of the books referred to have only an ephemeral interest, even to the hardened and easily-satisfied novel-reader, and soon become obsolete. The importance of a library in the community, aside from the research work it encourages, depends on the quality, rather than on the extent of its circulation. As a matter of choice therefore, as well as of necessity imposed by limited income, the policy of the library continues to be the acquisition of books that promise to have a more lasting value, rather than an immediate but transient vogue.

The Engineering Department has been enriched by the purchase of over 150 of the latest books, and a complete catalogue of 147 pages, embracing all works of this character, has been published.

The usual lists of books in general literature were printed for the information of readers. These included about one thousand titles. The bulletin board and the display shelves inform readers promptly of additions in this department.

The appearance of the grounds has been greatly improved during the year by the removal of the dilapidated green house and by the replacement of trees and shrubs that were no longer of value. Many changes, repairs and renovations in the library building proper and the librarian's house have been made. Necessary repairs to the janitor's house, amounting to practical reconstruction, are in progress. The cost of these improvements,
approximately $1,400, is included in the expenditures for the year. Much of this work is of a permanent character.

We are indebted for valuable gifts to the National and State governments, the Smithsonian Institution and the Library of Congress, to the City papers, to Hon. James Breck Perkins, Senator W W Armstrong, The Drew-Allis Co., Mr. A. Adler, Mrs. Azel Backus, Mrs. E. V Stoddard, Dr. A. W Henckell and many others.

The Library has received, with other important works, Great Events of Famous Historians, 20 volumes; American History and Encyclopedia of Music, 10 volumes; First Census of the United States, 12 volumes; Journals of the Continental Congress, 14 volumes (issued); Bookworm, 6 volumes; Evans' American Bibliography, 4 volumes; Caxton's Golden Legend, 7 volumes; Mayflower Descendant, 10 volumes; Providence Records, 19 volumes; Records of the Past, 7 volumes.

On March 30, 1909, the furniture, books and newspapers in the Reading Room were wholly destroyed by the fire in the Arcade Building. The Superintendent was given employment temporarily in connection with the Library work. It is hoped that the Reading Room may be opened again within a short time. In January last the number of visitors was 7472, and in only one month of the year did the attendance fall below 5000. It would undoubtedly have reached 70,000 for the eleven months, August not included, if the fire had not occurred—a large gain over the previous year. The Reading Room seems to meet satisfactorily a definite public need, and must be generously maintained.

The Committee wish to express their high appreciation of the great and growing value of the Library—as a help to the student whose inquiries demand access to many authorities, and to the intelligent reader who wishes to be familiar with the standard older literature and to keep in touch with the best of the new, as it comes from the press. The resources of the Library are found reasonably adequate by those engaged in almost any
line of investigation, and when works of importance are lacking, they are at once supplied. While the Library is not so large as many in the country, it is in most points of excellence hardly to be equalled, and if its policy of management, long since adopted and well approved, be continued, this pre-eminence will remain.

Three appendices accompany this report.

Charles A. Dewey,
William R. Taylor,
Max Landsberg,

Library Committee.

Rochester, June 1, 1909.
APPENDIX NO. 1
CURRENT PERIODICALS.

GENERAL PERIODICALS

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

ENGINEERING PERIODICALS


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Whole number of readers, 114,203
Whole number of books drawn, 61,500

*Library open 2 P. M. to 6 P. M. week days during August.
*Reynolds Reading Room partly closed during August.
*Reynolds Reading Room destroyed by fire March 30.
TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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ROCHESTER, N. Y

FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 31st, 1910.

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John Devlin,                    - Janitor

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REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:—The Library Committee present herewith their Twenty-fifth Annual Report.

The statistics for the Library and the Reading Room for the year ended May 31, 1910, are as follows:

- Books added by purchase: 1429
- Books added by binding periodicals: 226
- Books added by gift: 561
- Books condemned: 140
- Net increase: 1862
- Number of volumes catalogued and shelved: 65996
- Or, in Reference Department: 36519
- In Circulation Department: 29477
- Attendance in Library: 64161
- Attendance in Arcade Reading Room (from September 1, 1909): 50380
- Whole number of readers: 114541
- Whole number of books drawn: 60585
- Or, for Hall use: 18406
- For House use: 42179
- Subjects looked up by Librarians for readers: 3328
- Periodicals at the Library: 179
- Medical periodicals additional: 52
- Engineering periodicals additional: 20
- Periodicals at the Arcade Reading Room: 52
- Cards issued during the year: 1120
- Cards used during the year: 5306
TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

During the summer a carload of books and periodicals was sent to the Craig Colony at Sonyea.

Two partial lists of books added to the Library were published, containing about eleven hundred titles. All accessions of circulating books were promptly brought to the attention of visitors by the display shelves and by lists on the bulletin board.

The Reading Room was re-opened on September first. The cost of replacing the fixtures destroyed by the fire of March 30th was $407. A further expenditure of $217 was necessary to complete the reconstruction, referred to in the last report, of the janitor's house. The grounds have been cared for and improved and are in a better condition now than at any previous time.

Valuable gifts were received from the National and State governments, the Smithsonian Institution, the Library of Congress, the Drew Allis Co., Dr. M. E. Leary, Mrs. H. L. Osgood, the late Hon. James Breck Perkins, Mr. W. H. Samson, The Rochester Savings Bank, the City newspaper publishers and others.

Five societies hold their regular meetings in the Assembly room. Five other associations receive special assistance in their studies.

The Engineering and the Medical Departments are having a gratifying increase. Copies of the Catalogue prepared for the former have been sent on request to many libraries, among which may be mentioned those in New York, St. Louis and Toronto, the French Engineering Institute, the New York State Library and the Library of Congress.

Among the noteworthy sets of books purchased may be mentioned the Cyclopedia of Textile Work, 7 volumes; Encyclopaedia Americana, 17 volumes; the Catholic Encyclopedia, 15 volumes when completed; the Harvard Classics, 100 volumes when completed; Browne's History of Scotland, 8 volumes.

Many other valuable works have been added during the year, representing specially the most important books published in English and a careful selection of those published in French
and German. The work of the Library has proceeded in a satisfactory way, showing in general an increase over that of the preceding year.

Two appendices are presented with this report.

Respectfully submitted:

CHARLES A. DEWEY,
WILLIAM R. TAYLOR,
MAX LANDSBERG,

_Library Committee._

Rochester, June 14, 1910.
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Report for nine months.