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PUBLIC LIBRARY, July 10, 1874.

His Honor, Samuel C. Cobb, Mayor of the City of Boston:

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you, herewith, the Twenty-second Annual Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, prepared in obedience to the fourth section of the Ordinance of 1869, relative to the Public Library. .

Very respectfully,

JUSTIN WINSOR,

Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

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In conformity with the requirements of the fourth section of an Ordinance concerning the Public Library, passed September 21, 1869, the Trustees have the honor to present to the City Council their Twenty-second Annual

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being the fifth made under the new Ordinance, and including the results of administration for the year ending on the 30th April last.

The reports of the Examining Committee and of the Superintendent of the Library are herewith appended.

The Examining Committee appointed in conformity with the Ordinance, consisted of W.C. Collar, Esq., Dr. Thomas B. Curtis, Rev. Charles E. Grinnell, Hon. Francis B. Hayes, Hon. Geo. Lunt, with the President of the Board as Chairman. This Committee, appointed at the usual time, selected from citizens at large, was unable, from various personal engagements, to attend to the duties assigned them, until the month of June was nearly over. Their Report passes in review the administration of the Library as performing its functions of circulation and consultation, and examines the relations of the Superintendent and of the administrative force of the institution to the work of extending, so far as practicable, the uses of the Library to all classes of the popula-

tion. It is gratifying to the Board of Trustees that they speak in such a favorable manner of the whole system of management and its results.

Of the Superintendent's Report, hereto annexed, it may justly be said that, with its Appendixes, it furnishes the full account of the manifold operations of the Library during the year, and embraces in systematic arrangement the facts important to the public and to kindred institutions. With the addition of the Branches, the tabulations increase annually in extent and value, and are already recognized at home and abroad as among the best contributions to library statistics. A full examination of these pages is essential in order to obtain even in a moderate degree a comprehension of the nature of the work performed in the various departments of administration, and also of the character of its relations to the various communities which it now serves.

It is gratifying to state that all the recommendations with regard to the building made by the Trustees to the City Council have been substantially met; and that its safety from fire both from without and within is, so far as practicable, secured. When the house and grounds adjacent to the Library, purchased in 1872 as a provision needed for its extension, are used for the purposes required, still further security will be obtained.

The Branch service of the institution continues to perform its important and popular functions. During the past year the Roxbury Branch, in connection with the Fellowes Athenæum, entered upon its work, and by the annexation of Charlestown and Brighton the Trustees received as a portion of their responsibilities the charge of the free Libraries already established in those precincts. The regulations and by-laws controlling the principal Library and also the Branches already in operation, have been extended to the government of these accessions, and in time all the details of administration will

conform to one common system. The arrangements for proper supervision on the part of the Trustees and of the Superintendent have been carefully made, so that the necessary attention shall be given to the peculiar and separate necessities of the smaller libraries. In this connection it cannot be too strongly impressed upon these different communities now united as one whole under the general title of the City of Boston, that it is the earnest desire of this Board, as well as the best policy of the institution, that each Branch and local Library shall be so far the object of esteem and appreciation to the neighborhood to which it ministers, that it shall be the recipient of such measure of benefaction by gift or bequest as generosity may impel, with the certainty that every donation will be faithfully bestowed upon the object in the manner designated.

These popular arms of the Library, including the Lower Hall collection in Boylston street, now contain in the aggregate over 80,000 volumes, and they distributed to readers last year 553,129 books. The great consulting and reference Library in Bates Hall, numbering about 180,000 volumes, was used by 72,313 visitors, exclusive of the examinations made of the Patent Documents. This enormous aggregate of 625,442 of circulation and use includes ten months of the Roxbury Branch, and four months' administration of the Charlestown and Brighton Branches. The largest proportional circulation of books has been at the South Boston Branch, where each volume went out on the average a fraction over nineteen times.

To the total number of volumes in all the collections given in the last report, 209,456, there has been added during the year the unprecedented number of 51,094 volumes, an increase of nearly twenty-five per cent., making a grand total of 260,550 volumes. This is mainly due to the accession of the Charlestown Library, with its 15,788 volumes, of the Holton

Library at Brighton, with 11,037 volumes, and of the 12,057 volumes of the Barton Library. These additions in value and importance are not exceeded, if equalled, in the previous annual growth of the institution.

The purchase of the Barton Library, of which the details were given in the last annual report, has proved, on fuller examination, to have been even more fortunate than was anticipated. Aside from the great value of its Shakespearian treasures, the extent and variety of its rare works and of its noble specimens of printing and binding, will make it in the future one of the most attractive points of an institution which has heretofore enjoyed but few opportunities of placing upon its shelves works of similar rarity and value. It will properly be deposited in a room in the new fire-proof addition to the Library building now in process of erection, and to be completed in the late autumn.

The Superintendent of the Library has rendered an invaluable service to the institution and to the community in directing by means of the last Class List in History, Biography, and Travel, the attention of readers to a better order of books than the unassisted knowledge of the great majority of people would have attained. Those who simply read for amusement or occupation will find their objects equally accomplished by a higher grade of literature, if the books can be placed within easy reach. The increased application for better books, due to the last improvements of the modern catalogue, forms a most encouraging feature of the statistics of the free library service during the year just finished. The epigram applied to Dr. Johnson, that he was "a robust genius, born to grapple with whole libraries," finds its modern application in the much improved and speedier processes by which the unlearned, no less than the skilled reader, may easily ascertain the contents of the various departments of the Library.

In this connection, the Trustees are happy to announce that

the long and difficult work of cataloguing the Ticknor Library has been accomplished, and that the Index will go to press in the autumn. A suitable catalogue of so rich and important a collection of Spanish and Portuguese books will form an addition to the bibliography of those languages, most desirable to scholars on both sides of the Atlantic.

But these and other results are not attained without systematized and concentrated labor and skill. The Public Library, with its Branches, employs in the various departments of its work 103 persons. These are necessary to bring up the continuous record to date, to meet the daily demand upon the general resources of the institution, to continue the prompt production of the new books for the purposes of circulation, to provide immediate answer to the questions of inquirers, to do the steady solid work of the cataloguers, and to cover the multifarious calls of an organization which necessarily includes for the use of books a larger instrumentality than has hitherto been attempted.

The City Council have made the requisite pecuniary provision for such immediate addition to the building, as will not only suffice for the present necessities of the institution, but will conform also to the prospective needs of the future. The extension and enlargement of the south-west tower will give to the Library the accommodation temporarily required for its binding department, for working rooms for a portion of the staff now scattered among the alcoves and galleries, for the Superintendent and the Board of Trustees, for a fire-proof place of deposit for not only the Prince and Barton Libraries, but also for the card catalogues, and for the invaluable series of American, English, and French Patent Reports. This new erection will make absolutely safe from fire large classes of costly works, including many either not easily obtainable, or almost priceless from rarity, and which constitute no inconsiderable

part of the value of a collection rapidly becoming of national importance.

The statistics of the various reading-rooms show the results reached by this attractive service. So large an amount of intellectual activity has been attached to the apparently ephemeral form of periodical literary production during the past twenty years, that it not unnaturally holds out a strong inducement to readers to obtain by this means, by a moderate amount of exertion, the facts, theories and opinions prominent at the present time in the various departments of art and literature, and to ascertain the latest developments and their value in poetry and fiction. For the most part, it is noticeable that periodicals indicate possibly more quickly than the statistics of circulation the tastes, objects of inquiry and of daily interest, about which each district cares.

Of the Sunday service, it may in general be said that it is not a distinguished success. But to attain this high point in the uses of the institution, no such result is necessary. The fact to be considered is simply whether the use is equivalent in value to the necessary expenditure, and this again is complicated by the question whether the cost of its maintenance is in due proportion to the available resources; but neither of these pecuniary considerations is of sufficient importance at the present time to produce in the minds of the Trustees any question as to the propriety of the continuance of the service. So far as the main and the most extensive reading-room in Boylston street is concerned, observation of the attendance indicates that a very considerable proportion of the frequenters consists of persons who do not or cannot visit the Library on ordinary week-days, such as reporters, mechanics, and those who work early and late in their daily vocation, without the opportunity of any convenient access to the weekly and monthly issues proceeding from the press. In respect to the Branches, this need does not yet

appear to have developed itself to the same extent, and it is yet a question not entirely solved whether any proportional necessity exists for the continuance of the services in their districts.

In concluding this Report, the Trustees can simply say they have endeavored to discharge their duties as prescribed by the Ordinance in extending the uses of the institution as largely as practicable to the inhabitants of Boston. But, in approaching this result, the inevitable conclusion has followed that, in so doing, the Library has become of large importance to numerous classes elsewhere. By the directions of the City Government, its privileges have been extended to numerous individuals, whose use of the same directly tended to the advancement of letters. It is impossible in this day and generation to shut up books, or to say that they shall not be used by any individual to whom they are necessary for special work or general progress in knowledge, simply because they are the trust property of neighboring or remote communities. A book never accomplishes the object of its production unless in the hands of some one who wants it. If any books on our shelves are not habitually needed by our own citizens, it is the part of an enlightened intelligence to endeavor to secure in the future such other safe loaning as shall not cause an increase of expense beyond a point which the City Council may consider as a just contribution on their part to the cultivation of the communities which surround us, and which contribute directly or indirectly to the growth of our metropolis. The Free Library of the City of Manchester, though more limited in its general aims than our Library, distributes its books through several English counties.

But whether this further development may or may not be considered consistent or appropriate, there is no question on the part of the Trustees that the institution has never more fully responded to the demands made upon its resources than

during the year of which the relation is now given. That it may continue to live up to the intellectual, moral and social requirements of the large population which it serves, with the immunity of its property, which is the key and guaranty of its circulation, is a large desire for the future, which it is hoped may be abundantly and trustfully met.

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[A.]

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE,

Consisting of William W. Greenough, Esq., Chairman, with William C. Col-
lar, Esq., Thomas B. Curtis, M. D., the Rev. Charles E. Grinnell, the
Hon. Francis B. Hayes, and the Hon. George Lunt, as citizens at large.

The Committee appointed under an Ordinance in relation to the Public Library passed in September, 1869, to examine the Library, and make a report of its condition to the Trustees, respectfully report: —

The Library has continued to increase rapidly, 51,094 volumes having been added during the last Library year, and the total number of books now reaches 260,550. The number of volumes contained in the Bates Hall has advanced from 149,477 to 166,453; the collection in the Lower Hall, on the other hand, shows a slight diminution, the number of books having fallen from 32,605, to 32,596.

The rapid and steady growth of the Library is not the only subject of congratulation which this institution affords to its friends. The total circulation, comprising issues for home and hall use, has increased even more rapidly than the number of volumes. If we examine the figures set forth in the statistical tables, which constitute the appendices to the very valuable and interesting report of the Superintendent of the Library, we find that, during the last three years, the total number of issues for the entire Library has been, successively, in 1872, 380,343; in 1873, 467,855; and in 1874, 625,442. Now, if for each of these three years, we divide the total number of books contained in the Library, by the

number which represent the daily average of issues, we obtain a fraction which may be taken to represent the working efficiency of the Library, showing in what proportion its available resources are daily called into play. Thus for the year 1872, the fraction so obtained is $\frac{1}{156}$, which signifies that during that year one book out of every 156 books was issued daily. For the year 1873, a similar arithmetical process gives the fraction $\frac{1}{137}$; and for the Library year just expired, the fraction is $\frac{1}{123}$, or, if we subtract the number of volumes comprised in the Barton Library, which are not yet in use, we get the fraction $\frac{1}{123}$, which represents the daily use of the Library. It is thus evident, that while the number of volumes increases from year to year, the total circulation of these volumes increases still more rapidly. This interesting and eminently satisfactory result must, no doubt, be attributed partly to the increased facilities for circulation due to the various improvements introduced in the management of the Library, and to the growing efficiency of the more numerous staff placed under the orders of the Superintendent, and partly to the educational influence exerted by the Library upon the public.

This influence of the Library upon the community opens a very interesting subject of research, and one in regard to which the statistics collected and arranged under the direction of the Superintendent give valuable information, of a most encouraging nature for those who wish to see the literary taste of the public mind raised above its past and present level. It has long been a subject of regret to all who were interested in the Library, that the proportion of merely amusing reading should have been so very large, compared with the use made of the more valuable resources of the Library. Thus, the Lower Hall collection, now comprising 32,596 volumes, of which more than one-third (11,858 volumes) consists of books classified under the heading of "English prose and juvenile fiction," etc., presents a total

yearly circulation reaching 253,097 issues, while the total yearly circulation of the Bates Hall collection, numbering 166,453 volumes, is represented by 72,313 issues. The disproportionate use of these two collections made by the public is very striking, and at first sight very unsatisfactory, when we consider the difference of character of the books which they respectively contain. Each report of preceding Examining Committees has touched upon this subject, and regret has been expressed each year, at the continued and excessive predominance of novel-reading over other forms of literary culture. Your Examining Committee of the year 1874 was also, at first sight, struck by this phenomenon, which mature reflection, assisted by the explanations kindly offered by the Superintendent, showed to be an unavoidable, and not altogether undesirable result of the principles upon which the Library is managed. The main object of our Library is to supply the public at large, of every grade, with such books as it desires, and with the reservation that manifestly bad or vicious books are excluded. This programme is well carried out; books that are asked for, if unobjectionable on the score of immorality, are usually obtained, and if the demand for any particular book exceed the supply, additional copies are got, that no applicant need be denied in the long run what he seeks for at the Library. This policy is pursued in accordance with the conviction entertained by those who have charge of the management of the Library, that in any individual case, novel-reading, or any kind of reading, of however trivial a character, is better than no reading at all, and that books, even of the lightest order, exert upon those who can appreciate no higher kind of literature, a certain educational influence which tends in most cases to better their mental condition. It must not be forgotten that, with regard to a large part of the frequenters of the Library, the alternative is not whether they shall read books of a high or of a low grade, but whether they shall read books of amusing

fiction, or not read at all. Your Committee, on consideration of these facts, has concluded not to deprecate the encouragement of novel-reading; but it, nevertheless, greets with pleasure every sign of improvement in the public taste, and every measure designed to raise the standard of reading. In this connection we find cause for satisfaction in the strikingly beneficial effects produced by the new Class list of books in History, Biography, and Travel, in the Lower Hall, devised by the Superintendent and prepared under his direction. The object of this innovation was to make the lighter literary resources of the Lower Hall a stepping-stone, as it were, to the higher grades of intellectual culture attainable in the Bates Hall. The effect during the last eight months, has been to raise by 75 per cent. the use of books comprised in the departments above specified (*i. e.* History, Biography, and Travel), while the addition to the amount of fiction used has been less than three per cent. We learn, moreover, that this beneficial influence on the frequenters of the Lower Hall has gone on increasing to such an extent that, if we compare the month of June of the last Library year with the month of June just expired, we find in the reading of History, etc., an increase of 200 per cent., while the entire reading of that Hall has only increased $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. beyond the figures of the year before. Besides this effect produced upon the quality of the reading in the Lower Hall, there is no doubt that a considerable number of readers have been led to make use of the Bates Hall collection, who without the assistance of the "Class list" would have remained habitués of the Lower Hall.

We find other grounds for satisfaction if we compare the increase of circulation apparent at the close of the last Library year in the Bates Hall and in the Lower Hall. When speaking of the total daily use of the entire Library, we found a marked increase from year to year, as shown by the series of fractions $\frac{1}{156}$, $\frac{1}{137}$ and $\frac{1}{122}$. If we apply the same calcula-

tions to the figures belonging respectively to the Bates Hall and to the Lower Hall, we find that while, on the one hand, the daily circulation of the Lower Hall has been for the last four years nearly stationary, the proportion of issues to the number of volumes remaining about the same; on the other hand, the daily average circulation of the Bates Hall has been rapidly increasing from year to year. Thus, the average daily circulation of the Lower Hall, obtained by dividing the total number of books by the average number of daily issues, was, in 1872, $\frac{1}{39}$; in 1873, $\frac{1}{42}$, and in 1874, $\frac{1}{39}$. In the Bates Hall, the corresponding fractions are for 1872, $\frac{1}{875}$; for 1873, $\frac{1}{773}$; and for 1874 (excluding the Barton Library), $\frac{1}{657}$; in other words, while in 1872 one book in 875 was used daily, in 1874 the proportion of books called into daily use was one in 657.

The rapid yearly increase in the use made of the Bates Hall collection by the public, compared with the nearly stationary clientage of the Lower Hall, is very apparent, and shows that a distinct educational influence is exerted by the Library upon the public. It must be remembered, as your Committee were reminded by the Superintendent, that the Library is not dealing with a permanent body of readers, whose literary education it may be held to be effecting. Each year brings to it, with each succeeding generation, as it were, a fresh levy of raw recruits, who start from the lowest grade of literary culture, and swell the ranks of the readers of fiction who frequent the Lower Hall.

It was feared by some that the various Branch Libraries that have of late years been established would divert a portion of its readers from the Central Library, and so get them away from its influence. This is far from being the case, however, as shown by Mr. Winsor's Report, and the reciprocal effect of the Parent Library, and of its Branches upon each other, has been to increase the number of readers on both sides.

Your Committee desire to call attention to the valuable

labors of the Superintendent in the different departments of the Library. Especially is the institution fortunate in having an officer who appreciates bibliographical research. The careful and critical examination of the rare books which the Library possesses, the means taken for the preservation of all valuable papers and documents, the excellent classification which has been made of them, the publication of interesting facts in the "Bulletin," and the merits of rare books given therein, are of great importance to the public, and it is very much indebted to the Superintendent for this valuable work. At the same time, we would not forget to bestow deserved commendation upon all the officers of the Library for the excellent manner in which the work of the institution is performed, making its management an honor to the City and an example worthy of imitation by similar institutions of the country.

By no means an unimportant part of the work done at the Library under the supervision of the Superintendent, and by his initiation, is the collection and arrangement of the statistical tables, which give most clearly, and at the same time, most minutely, a mass of very valuable information, relating to the working of the Library, considered in every detail of its administration, and from every point of view. From these data, which are now being collected every year at our Public Library, and which no similar institution as yet affords in such variety, a most interesting study is being made of what we will venture to call the *Physiology* of a Public Library. Thanks to Mr. Winsor's careful and minute analysis of the working of the institution committed to his charge, here is every reason to believe that the maximum degree of efficiency is rapidly being attained for the Library.

T. B. CURTIS,
for the Committee.

[B.]

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.



To the Trustees:—

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith present my Seventh Annual Report, and referring you to the appendixes for the body of the information which you have a right to expect, I shall touch here but a few points that need further elucidation.

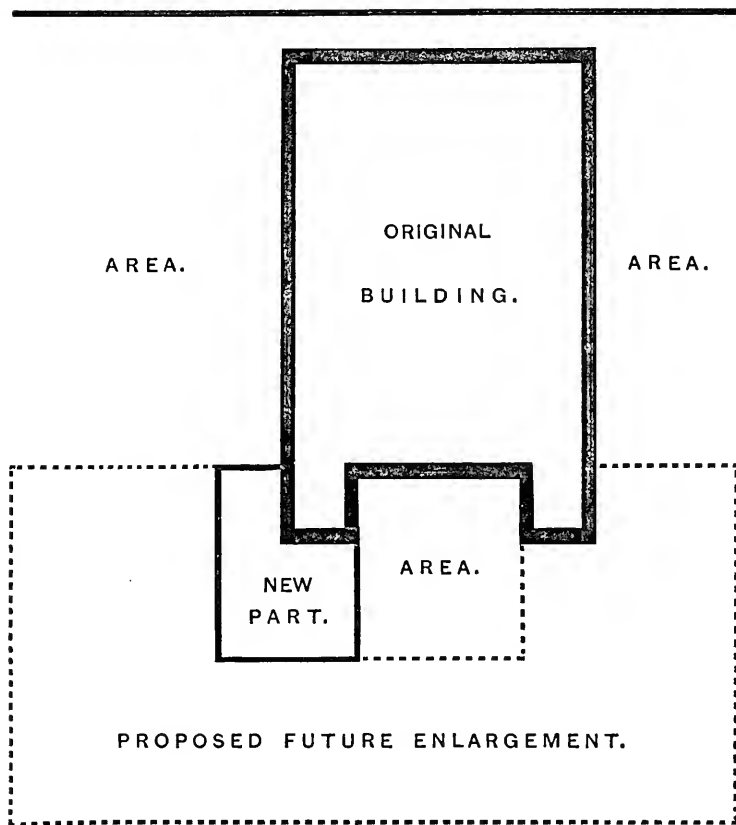
During the year a high-service stand-pipe has been introduced into the south-eastern tower of the Central Library, by the concurrent action of the Cochituate Water Board and the Committee on Public Buildings. A sufficient supply of hose is kept coiled on the various levels, and is always attached for sudden use in case of fire. The fire-proof protections to the large lantern and small skylights of the roof have been provided; but the means of hoisting hose to that elevation, without dragging it through the alcoves, has not yet been supplied,—a delay which I much regret and which might cause serious results, in case of a conflagration in neighboring buildings.* All the iron shutters on the building, except those of the janitor's apartments, are nightly closed, and with the sail-cloth which has been provided to place between the window frames and the shutters, and the means which we have of keeping it wet, it is expected that the amplest security is attained against such violent attacks of external fire as might cause even the shutters to curl. It is in contemplation by the Committee on Public Buildings, to whom is entrusted the erection of the enlargement of the

*This has since been supplied.

south-western tower during the coming year, to maintain an even higher standard of non-combustibility in that new addition, the appropriation for which has been very considerably allowed by the City Council. It will increase the official apartments of the Library, provide for an enlargement of the bindery, afford separate rooms for two or more of our special collections, give the frequenters of our Patent Room the accommodations which they have long felt the want of, and in every way add to the efficiency of the Library.

The new addition has been planned with a view to making it a part of a still further enlargement, which shall have its rear line on Van Rensselaer place, with an open area to supply light and air in the immediate rear of the main building, while this area shall be flanked by an extension of the present towers. The lateral wings, on each side of the main edifice, with their front on a line with the rear of the present structure, would command from their windows a view of the Common, thus: —

Boylston Street.



Van Rensselaer Place.

The heavy lines represent the present building, the light lines the new addition of the coming year, and the dotted line the further combination and enlargement.

Since the date of my last Report the building belonging to the Fellowes Athenæum, and leased to the City for the Roxbury Branch, has been completed, and after an occupancy of nine months, it has been found in every particular adapted to the administration, and is recognized by those conversant with the requirements of a popular Library as more fully meeting those requirements than is the case with any other recent erection.

By the annexation of Charlestown the Public Library of that city became a Branch of this institution, and the rooms which it occupied in the second story of the City Hall in that place not being large enough to meet an increased demand, or even the old demand for space, representation was made in conjunction with the retiring Board of Trustees of the Charlestown Library (under whom, during its independence, that Library had been administered) to the Committee on Public Buildings, that, in consequence of the changes incident to the consolidation of the offices of the two cities, the rooms of the Mystic Water Board could be added with advantage to the original quarters of that library. The action of the Committee was prompt, the consent of the City Council to an appropriation was easily gained, and during the summer the results desired will be secured. Some re-arrangement of cases will be required, and perhaps the introduction at once of classifications of the books, such as have not been observed there in the past. The retiring government of the City of Charlestown transferred to that Branch some large paintings which had adorned the Council Chambers in the upper stories of the building, and such of the furniture of the Aldermen's room as would be of use in furnishing the new reading-room.

The annexation of Brighton converted the Holton Library, which had been maintained by that town as a Public Library, into the Brighton Branch of the Public Library of Boston. Under an appropriation by the town, embracing \$18,000 for

land, \$1,500 as the proceeds of the sale of a building which was upon the land, and \$30,000 for erecting a building, the construction of a Library had gone forward under the supervision of a building committee composed jointly from the Trustees of the Holton Library and from the citizens, and at the time of the vote for annexation, it was nearly ready for roofing. A meeting was held at an early day, when this Building Committee met a Committee of the Trustees of this Library, and some slight changes in the interior planning of the new Library were agreed upon, to adapt it more closely to the system upon which our Branches are conducted, and which had proved successful at East Boston, South Boston, and Roxbury. The changes in the permanent interior walls consisted solely of the widening of door-ways, in order to give the closer relations of parts which prompt and economical administration required. Delays, beyond the control of the Trustees, since the city acquired possession of the property, have prevented the prompt approach to completion which was looked for at that time, and the better part of the summer must, I fear, be consumed before the books can be moved, and everything be prepared for opening it to the public. Meanwhile the Library is maintained, as in the past, in rather cramped quarters, which are a part of the old Town Hall.

The action of the City Council in making an appropriation for the establishment of the sixth Branch in Dorchester, during the coming year, has thrown upon the Committee on Public Buildings the necessity of providing a building. Action on their part is expected at an early day.

The tables of the Appendix show an increased activity in every department. It is conclusively proved by the figures given, that the influence of the Central Library upon the Branches is beneficial, and that the large clientage of users which they acquire for themselves does not diminish the usefulness of the Central Library, but, on the other hand, both

in the popular department and in the Bates Hall, its circulation is acquiring an extent unprecedented in their history, and far in advance of the results obtained before the parent Library had extended its influence through any one of its five Branches. The result is not surprising to those who have scanned narrowly the influences which public libraries exert upon communities.

The Roxbury Branch has necessarily advanced in extent beyond the others. This is owing to the beneficent policy of the City, which has provided, by contract with the Fellowes Athenæum, that the income of the Athenæum's funds shall go to increase the books of that Branch, in addition to the proportion allotted to it under the general appropriation. About \$250 a month is the sum at present given to this special increase, and it is gratifying to find that the higher class of books, such as are purchased with this sum, find appreciative readers. It is to be hoped that the success of this coöperation may induce similar private benefactions in connection with the other Branches. That such must in time be the case is quite clear from the information which has reached the Library authorities of the remembrances which have found a place in the last testaments of residents in the neighborhood of other Branches.

The South Boston Branch, although now the smallest of these dependencies, gives gratifying proof of its usefulness in the large circulation which it has maintained; and it is alike a credit to the people of that district and to the system of the Library, that out of 108,000 volumes which have during the year been entrusted to borrowers, every one has been returned to the shelves. Indeed, the immunity from loss in this direction, as shown by one of the Appendixes, is as remarkable as it is gratifying. The percentage of loss in the outlying districts, where borrowers are more easily tracked when they become delinquent, is almost too small to be considered. In the city proper, the difficulties of identification and pur-

suit are much increased, from the intricacies of a social system on so large a scale, and from the facility with which delinquents can conceal their removals from one place to another, and where neighborly acquaintance is not so close as in the lesser segregations of the surrounding districts. Yet, from the Central Library the loss is trifling, and, almost always, it is in such books as can be easily and cheaply replaced.

The Sunday use of the Reading Rooms for Periodicals has now had the experience of a full Library year. At the Central Reading Room the use of the periodicals has been fully equal to expectations, and there can be no question of the gratification and advantage which the privilege has given to many people. So considerable is the number that the care and expense involved are well justified. At the Branches, the advantage has not been so marked, but the constant tendency to increase of use is encouraging for the future. The following figures will be of interest in this connection:—

READING ROOMS.	No. of Magazines.	Sundays Open.	Average issue per Sunday for the year.	Largest average issue per Sunday in any month.
Central	418	52	421	603, Jan.
East Boston	41	52	141	241, Jan.
South Boston	41	52	132	226, Nov.
Roxbury (10 months)	67	43	74	132, Feb.
Charlestown (4 months)	82	16	82	91, Feb.
Brighton (4 months)	23	17	. .	. .

At Brighton no record is possible in the present arrangement of the Reading Room. At Charlestown the use of one London and five New York dailies, kept on the tables, is not counted.

By Appendix I, it will be seen that the entire Library now possesses about 260,550 volumes, an extent that permits no other library on the continent to outrank it; while it possesses in the Bates Hall collection (166,453 volumes), a reference as well as circulating Library, surpassed by none other in America in value, or in the due subordination and relative strength of its classifications. The whole, moreover, is indexed and made accessible through a catalogue system, not inferior to any other in ramification and thoroughness.

The work in the Catalogue department has gone on as satisfactorily as heretofore.• The ordinary accessions are already swelling the extent of the Cards, both in the Public and in the Official Card Catalogue so greatly that ampler accommodations for each will be required during the coming year.

Beside the work on the ordinary accessions during the year, the cataloguing of the Ticknor Library has been brought near completion, and it is now reckoned that the subsequent revision can be proceeded with during the coming summer, and that the printed volume, for which the City Council have already appropriated the money, will be ready for the public in the course of the new year. Meanwhile, since the receipt of the Barton Library, considerable labor has been expended upon its books in preparing them for the shelves, and upon the large mass of printed and manuscript excerpts, engravings, music, autographs and bibliographical correspondence, which Mr. Barton had accumulated during thirty years of careful collecting. This accumulation, which chiefly concerns the Shakespearian portion of his Library, has been arranged for binding and placed in scrap-books, and, with that portion of his Library which still needs binding, will amount to about 1,200 volumes, as thus finally arranged. These, added to the bound volumes, will swell the aggregate of the Barton Library to over 12,000 volumes, of which about 3,000 volumes belong to the Shakespearian department. It is

hoped during the coming year to get all these bound, and to complete all the preliminary work which belongs to the shelf department, before the room in the new tower, destined to receive the collection, is ready. By that time it is anticipated that Mr. Wheeler and his assistants can begin work on the special Catalogue, which is to be made for this collection.

In August last the long-delayed and consolidated Class-list of books in History, Biography, and Travel in the Lower Hall was ready for the public. The new features in popular cataloguing which it presented soon produced the results which were hoped for. The notes appended to the principal cross-references, and intended to assist readers in the choice of books, had a very marked effect upon the character of the circulation in the Lower Hall. As these notes were also intended to bring more prominently before the class of readers which frequents that department, the resources of the higher classifications of the Bates Hall, a considerable share of the increase of use of that hall must be ascribed to the influence of these notes, though from statistics it is not easy to indicate the proportions. In the Lower Hall, however, the figures of the circulation can be brought to a demonstration. Although but eight months of the year are covered by its effects, the returns of the entire year show an increase over last year of books used in those departments of 75 per cent., while the additional use of fiction is less than three per cent. It has also resulted in reducing the percentage of fiction issued in the popular department (Lower Hall) of the Central Library to less than 72 per cent. of the entire issues of that collection, which is several hundredths below the average maintained in the past, or ordinarily found in free public libraries. Taking the entire reading of the Central Library, the use of fiction is probably not far from 55 per cent. of the whole issues.

I do not share the opinions held by many, who indulge in a wholesale denunciation of the reading of novels. After sev-

eral years' observation, I am fully cognizant of the fact that the censure of fiction is a good deal a matter of class feeling—educationally speaking. Books of one literary grade are held to be valueless by critics on a higher one, who do not appreciate the fact that lower grades of readers should be supplied with mental pabulum suited to their powers of assimilation. The failure to allow for this difference in readers is, I think, at the bottom of many unconsidered assertions regarding the character of certain writers, and the literary necessities of corresponding classes of readers. Nevertheless, there can be nothing more deserving of official recognition, or of the encouragement of those who are fortunate in literary culture, than endeavors to improve the standard of that reading which free libraries supply. The question is only one of method, and it seems to me that persuasion and kindly assistance to the unskilled in books is a more gracious procedure than to deprive them of the only books that allure them to partake of the Library stores. First of all, the mass of ordinary readers must be made to frequent the Library. They are then within its influence, and endeavors to benefit their tastes will, as I think our experiment has shown, accomplish a good result, if the efforts are unremitting. I trust another year will show that the work thus inaugurated will gather strength as it goes on.

It is not just to judge of the literary taste of a community by the reading of its free popular libraries. A large class buy their better reading, and depend upon libraries for the ephemeral novels, which are the talk of the hour. The laborer, or the weary tradesman, notwithstanding his bookcase of the classics of his tongue at home, calls at the Library after his day's work to get a book to supply a pastime, not to advance a study, for which his exhausted energies leave no chance. Public libraries may not fulfil their highest mission in providing mere recreation, but it is for this only, by the nature of the case, that a considerable proportion of the population can find them of benefit.

I have, during the year, made the matter of the public reading in its hygienic relations, the subject of conference with the late Dr. Derby, the very capable Secretary of the State Board of Health, and have had his assurance of the value of the investigations, which I am in hopes of reducing in the future into an order that may yield some profitable conclusions. That the seasons, and even "spells of weather," and events which touch large masses of the population, affect the *extent* of the Library's circulation, is patent; but that such causes, including epidemics, — whether of a bodily or mental nature, — such as result from disease, financial panics, or engrossing topics of thought, produce results in the *character* of the reading, I am equally convinced, though it will need large observation to array the proofs, and careful scrutiny to allow for other disturbing influences. I am in hopes to be able to present this aspect of our experience in something like a satisfactory fashion, at some future time.

Upon the request of the Commissioner of Education at Washington, there were sent, early in the year, to the Exposition at Vienna, a set of the Catalogues of the Library, its reports and other documents, and a series of blanks, illustrating its methods. Regarding these volumes, Mr. John D. Philbrick, Superintendent of the Public Schools of this city, who went to Vienna as a Special Commissioner, wrote under date of August 22, "You sent here a fine set of documents illustrating the character and workings of the Boston Public Library. I am sorry you did not get a prize, for you well deserved a very high one; but you unfortunately were excluded under the rule, adopted by the General Direction, providing that an exhibitor receiving the highest honor can receive no other for any special exhibit. And as the City of Boston got the Grand Diploma of Honor, and as the jury considered that the Library was an exhibit belonging to the city, it could have no separate recognition. But it was certain that there was not in all the Exposition so complete and

comprehensive a library exhibit as that made by you." The seven volumes, handsomely bound, thus referred to, were subsequently presented to the Imperial Library of Vienna, and duly acknowledged.

I may state that during the year a second edition, with some enlargement, of the Handbook for Readers has been called for; and that the quarterly Bulletins have been continued as in the past.

In conclusion, I may refer to the liberal and graceful act of the late Mayor of the City, the Honorable Henry L. Pierce, who, in testimony of his regard for the Library, has laid his fellow-citizens under increased obligations, by giving to our funds, free of all restrictions, \$5,000. This will be known hereafter as the *Pierce Fund*.

Respectfully submitted,

JUSTIN WINSOR,
Superintendent.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, May 8, 1874.

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TO THE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

1874.

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APPENDIX I.

EXTENT OF THE LIBRARY, BY YEARS.

YEARS.	Total Volumes in the Libraries	CENTRAL LIBRARY.				ROXBURY BRANCH.			CHARLESTOWN BRANCH.	BRIGHTON BRANCH.	DORCHESTER BRANCH.	WEST ROXBURY BRANCH.	Pamphlets added from the beginning.
		Bates Hall.	Lower Hall.	News- paper Room.	Duplicate Room.	City Part.	Fellows Atheneum.	Total.					
1. 1852-53	9,658	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	961
2. 1853-54	16,221	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	3,950
3. 1854-55	22,617	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	6,507
4. 1855-56	23,080	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	12,586
5. 1856-57	34,806	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	16,953
6. 1857-58	70,851	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	17,938
7. 1858-59	78,043	60,420	15,819	•••	1,804	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	19,255
8. 1859-60	85,632	69,228	17,000	•••	1,804	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	20,707
9. 1860-61	*97,386	79,217	19,161	•••	3,008	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	27,381
10. 1861-62	105,634	79,559	20,831	•••	4,794	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	28,374
11. 1862-63	119,563	82,891	22,625	•••	6,237	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	31,943
12. 1863-64	116,931	88,223	23,592	•••	5,116	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	31,837
13. 1864-65	123,016	93,172	24,869	•••	4,984	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	32,553
14. 1865-66	130,678	100,171	25,566	•••	5,141	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	36,566
15. 1866-67	136,680	105,735	*25,199	•••	6,145	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	44,143
16. 1867-68	144,052	111,681	26,606	•••	5,805	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	47,251
17. 1868-69	152,796	117,967	28,723	•••	6,106	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	61,177
18. 1869-70	153,573	124,419	29,909	•••	6,245	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	74,770
19. 1870-71	179,250	135,786	30,571	•••	*6,954	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	89,746
20. 1871-72	192,958	142,685	31,827	•••	*7,314	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	100,383
21. 1872-73	209,456	149,477	32,605	•••	*8,183	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	112,152
22. 1873-74	200,550	166,453	32,596	•••	9,490	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	134,628

* Actual count. † Nine months.

NOTE. — The figures under Dorchester and West Roxbury are reservations from duplicates for such prospective branches.

NOTE. — The aggregate of pamphlets "added from the beginning" includes many since bound, singly or in groups (which are now counted among volumes), and a very large number of duplicates, which are thrown out and put among the pamphlets held for exchange.

APPENDIX II.

YEARLY INCREASE OF THE WHOLE LIBRARY BY PURCHASE AND BY GIFTS.

YEARS.		Increase. (<i>Net</i> after 1861.)		Gifts.		Purchases, including those charged to funds.		Fellowes Atheneum.**	Donors, excluding anony- mous.
		Vols.	Pamph.	Vols.	Pamph.	Vols.	†Pamph.	Vols.	
1. . . .	1852-53	9,688	961	4,000	961	5,688	. . .	. . .	75
2. . . .	1853-54	6,533	2,989	2,152	2,989	4,381	. . .	. . .	105
3. . . .	1854-55	6,396	2,557	2,663	2,468	3,733	89	. . .	153
4. . . .	1855-56	5,463	5,879	1,865	5,330	3,508	549	. . .	126
5. . . .	1856-57	6,816	3,667	1,686	3,646	5,130	21	. . .	132
6. . . .	1857-58	*35,955	1,885	30,214	1,885	5,741	. . .	. . .	381
7. . . .	1858-59	7,192	1,317	3,405	1,317	3,787	. . .	. . .	247
8. . . .	1859-60	6,989	1,452	3,744	1,452	3,245	. . .	. . .	207
9. . . .	1860-61	†16,948	6,674	12,299	6,656	4,649	18	. . .	242
10. . . .	1861-62	7,391	1,493	1,274	1,493	6,117	. . .	. . .	234
11. . . .	1862-63	5,529	2,169	829	1,958	4,700	212	. . .	194
12. . . .	1863-64	6,223	2,939	1,081	2,772	5,145	167	. . .	219
13. . . .	1864-65	6,082	1,516	804	1,026	5,178	490	. . .	328
14. . . .	1865-66	7,662	4,013	1,476	3,342	6,286	671	. . .	336
15. . . .	1866-67	5,303	7,877	1,465	7,769	7,732	108	. . .	300
16. . . .	1867-68	7,673	2,811	1,554	2,513	6,396	298	. . .	342
17. . . .	1868-69	8,685	13,923	2,138	10,984	6,531	2,939	. . .	649
18. . . .	1869-70	7,775	13,593	1,646	10,228	6,129	3,365	. . .	666
19. . . .	1870-71	§18,099	14,976	9,750	10,805	8,349	4,171	. . .	604
20. . . .	1871-72	||13,708	10,637	4,349	5,831	9,359	4,806	. . .	610
21. . . .	1872-73	14,644	11,770	3,939	8,060	10,705	3,710	865	601
22. . . .	1873-74	51,094	22,475	4,783	17,138	18,671	5,337	1,330	739

* Of these, 24,618 were the Bates gift.

† Of these, 11,721 were the Parker bequest.

‡ Includes pamphlets added both by purchase and exchange, as taken from the Accession Catalogue. The large number, of recent years, has been occasioned by the systematic completion of serials and periodicals for the Central Library, as well as for the Branches.

§ Including 3,774 volumes of the Ticknor bequest, and 2,682 from the Sumner Library Association.

|| Including 1,471 volumes from the Mattapan Literary Association.

** Included in previous columns. These volumes are not the property of the Public Library, but form a part of the Roxbury Branch by agreement.

NOTE. The increase of this year includes the totals of the libraries at Charlestown and Brighton; and also, under purchases, the Barton Library, 12,957 vols.

APPENDIX III.

EXTENT OF THE BATES HALL COLLECTION IN VOLUMES.

	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
The Gen'l Library .	87,658	93,553	101,428	107,724	115,232	121,709	126,207	131,560
Patent Library . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	2,120	||2,323
Bowditch Library*	2,542	2,542	2,542	2,542	2,542	2,542	2,542	2,542
Parker Library* . .	†11,907	11,907	11,907	11,907	11,907	11,907	11,907	11,907
Prince Library . .	1,952	1,952	1,952	1,952	†1,970	1,970	1,970	1,970
Ticknor Library . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	3,774	\$3,907	3,907	3,907
Barton Library . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	—	**12,057
Entered on the Ac- cession Catalogue, but not yet located	1,678	1,327	140	294	361	651	829	187
	105,737	111,281	117,969	124,419	135,786	142,686	149,482	166,453
Condemned	0	0	2	0	0	1	5	0
Total	105,737	111,281	117,967	124,419	135,786	142,685	149,477	166,453

* See Appendix IX.

† Including 186 duplicates, which are boxed and stored in the basement.

‡ Including 18 vols. of MSS.

§ Includes 31 vols. of MSS. as bound. When received they were mostly in stitched brochures, several of which are now bound in one volume. The remainder of the difference between these figures and those for the previous year arose from some discrepancy in the count of pamphlets destined for volumes.

|| Divided into 1,981 volumes for the English; 143 volumes for the American; and 199 volumes for the French specifications and drawings. Included before 1873 in the General Library. Now in charge of a special Curator.

** This is as near as can be ascertained before locating them.

NOTE. — Of the volumes lost from the Bates Hall some reappear each year, while a few in excess disappear, increasing the aggregate loss a little; so that it is probable the figures of the Bates Hall collection are a trifle in excess of what an actual count would indicate.

APPENDIX IV.

EXTENT OF THE LOWER HALL COLLECTION.

	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Reported the preceding year		25,199	26,606	28,723	29,909	30,574	31,827	32,605
Added during the year		2,003	2,469	1,417	2,780	2,614	1,799	1,465
Total		27,202	29,075	30,140	32,689	33,188	33,626	34,070
Books transferred to Bates Hall		339	93	19	23	7	1	6
Books transferred to Branches					859	535	342	166
Condemned during the year		257	259	212	1,233	819	678	1,308
Total left	*25,199	26,606	28,723	29,909	30,574	31,827	32,605	32,596

* Actual count.

NOTE. — There have been since the last actual count in 1867, over a hundred volumes irrecoverably lost in the Lower Hall. Perhaps an equal number are to be classed as "unaccounted for," but may reappear.

APPENDIX V.

SALE DUPLICATES AND ODD VOLUMES.

(Not including the Parker duplicates, or a large lot of odd and imperfect volumes of books, not likely to have the missing volumes supplied, which are boxed up at intervals.)

	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Number at beginning of year	4,955	5,146	5,805	6,106	. . . .	6,954	7,314	8,183
Added during the year	714	1,004	847	443	383	996	1,375	1,641
	5,669	6,150	6,652	6,549	. . . .	7,950	8,689	9,824
Disposed of	523	345	546	304	234	636	500	†334
Total	5,146	5,805	6,106	6,245	*6,954	*7,314	*8,183	9,490

* This number is by an actual count of the serviceable volumes now arranged in our duplicate Room; and it includes three hundred and eighty-one volumes of British Sessional documents, ready for exchange.

† Being 282 volumes parted with on exchange account; and 52 withdrawn for Branches.

NOTE — There are also of pamphlets some thirty to forty thousand duplicates, arranged and ready for exchanges. Libraries are invited to make such exchanges.

APPENDIX VI.

INCREASE OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS.

		1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
<i>Bates Hall.</i>	Gain in located books (App. VIII.)	6,297	7,475	6,296	7,508	10,384	6,622	6,198
	Of these not located at last Report	1,678	1,927	140	294	4,135	651	829
	Added and located	4,619	6,148	6,156	7,214	6,249	5,971	5,369
	Added and not located	1,527	140	294	4,135	651	829	*12,244
	Total gain	5,946	6,288	6,450	11,349	6,900	6,800	17,613
Condemned . . . . .	. . . . .	2	. . . . .	. . . . .	1	5	
Net gain	5,946	6,290	6,450	11,349	6,899	6,795	17,613	
<i>Lower Hall.</i>	Gain in located books	2,003	2,469	1,417	2,780	2,614	1,799	1,465
	Less transfers and condemned books	596	352	231	2,115	1,361	1,021	1,480
	Net gain	1,407	2,117	1,186	665	1,253	778	15 (loss) †
<i>Newspaper Room.</i>	Gain in located books . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	254	101
	Less loss . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
	Net gain . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	254	101
<i>Duplicate Room.</i>	Gain by addition . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	1,375	1,641
	Less loss by exch'ges, etc. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	506	334
	Net gain	659	301	139	149	360	869	1,307
<i>E. Boston Branch.</i>	Gain in located books . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	5,936	881	621	664
	Condemned and lost . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	50	97	143
	Net gain . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	5,936	831	524	521
<i>S. Boston Branch.</i>	Gain in located books . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	885	850
	Condemned and lost . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	76	217
	Net gain . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4,365	809	633

* Includes 12,057 (close estimate) of the Barton books, and 187 other volumes.

† The condemnations have been large for the year, the transfers few; but their combined excess over the gains, which are exceptionally small on account of the few books published in this country, shows, for the first time, an absolute loss for the year.

APPENDIX VI, *Continued.*

		1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Rox. Branch.	{ Gain in city part . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,754	1,069
	{ Condemned and lost . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	26
	{ Net gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,750	1,043
	{ Fellowes Athenæum . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	865	1,330
	{ Total gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,615	2,373
Chn. Branch.	{ Gain in located books . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,932
	{ Condemned and lost . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	144
	{ Net gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,788
Bri. Branch.	{ Gain in located books . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,049
	{ Condemned and lost . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
	{ Net gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,037
Dor. Branch.	{ Duplicates reserved for this Branch . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54
W. Rox. Branch.	{ Duplicates reserved for this Branch . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
Total Increase.	{ Bates Hall gain	5,946	6,290	6,450	11,349	6,899	6,795	19,271
	{ Lower Hall gain	1,407	2,117	1,186	665	1,253	778	(loss) 15
	{ Newspaper Room gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	254	101
	{ Duplicate Room gain	659	301	139	149	300	869	1,307
	{ E. B. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	5,936	831	524	521
	{ S. B. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,365	809	633
	{ Rox. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,750	1,043
	{ Fellowes Athenæum gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	865	1,330
	{ Chn. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,788
	{ Bri. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,037
	{ Dor. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54
{ W. R. Branch gain . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	
	{ Total gain	8,012	8,708	7,775	18,099	13,708	14,044	51,094

APPENDIX VII.

INCREASE FROM NEWLY PUBLISHED BOOKS.

	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
English Books with British imprint . . .	635	708	625	811	899	1,066	1,389	1,294
English Books with American imprint .	1,154	1,445	1,455	1,411	2,206	3,642	4,301	3,807
English Books with Continental imprint	104	100	80	50	43	115	291	125
Foreign Books.	539	673	789	487	561	891	1,064	858
Duplicates of either class, when not included in the other items.	97	.....	447	248	480	.....	.....	.....
Total	2,529	2,926	3,396	3,007	4,194	5,744	7,045	6,984

APPENDIX VIII.

VOLUMES LOCATED IN BATES HALL, BY MONTHS.

MONTHS.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1870-71.	1871-72.	1872-73.	1873-74.
May	758	.....	727	455	584	357
June	509	.....	480	464	584	527
July	1,037	.....	462	291	631	839
August	383	347	520	518	554	405
September	713	833	378	511	457	436
October	866	697	546	295	520	414
November	443	763	695	*4,523	489	377
December	639	632	905	651	646	507
January	626	834	427	611	658	665
February	563	633	706	724	456	594
March	521	382	1,001	788	551	472
April	417	1,175	661	†598	492	605
Total	7,475	6,296	7,508	10,384	6,622	6,198
Pamphlet vols. arranged by the Curator . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	385	554	206

NOTE. — These monthly figures are the results of tables made out year by year, like the one constituting Appendix VI for 1869. The figures for May, June, and July, 1868-69, should follow those for April of the same year. They were misplaced to adapt the table to a change of the Library year.

* 3,876 are books of the Ticknor Library, then assigned to permanent places.

† Includes 31 vols. of the Ticknor MSS.

Pamphlets. During the year the Curator of pamphlets has continued the arrangement of all the loose pamphlets by subjects, etc., in the Cabinet Room; and such as were duplicates and not needed have been arranged in adjacent apartments.

APPENDIX IX.
BATES HALL CLASSIFICATIONS.

(Not including volumes added, but not yet located.)

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.					Class No.	CLASSES.	GENERAL LIBRARY.										Total of Bates Hall, including the Special Libraries.					
1888.	Parker Library.	1881.	Prince Library.	1872.			1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.		1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.
244	276	6	6	Patent Library.	Patent Library.	I. Cyclopedias, etc.	21	86	19	22	22	22	32	10	9	1,250	1,776					
32	506	3	246	Tieknor Library.	Barton Library.	II. Bibliography and Literary History	170	231	326	271	278	235	205	166	166	4,297	5,174					
16	650	54	Patent Library.	Patent Library.	III. General History, Biography, Travel and Geography	170	140	184	157	223	284	199	210	210	4,407	5,187						
96	693	624	152	143	IV. American History, Geography, Biography, Travel, and Polite Literature	515	1,168	1,438	918	1,305	911	983	962	10,894	18,602							
75	573	69	16	1,981	V. English History, Geography, Biography, Travel, and Polite Literature	493	762	739	767	1,018	635	605	712	14,495	17,209							
59	413	7	40	190	VI. French History, Geography, Biography, Travel, and Polite Literature	188	335	413	207	263	443	530	433	8,408	9,126							
9	251	2	30	Not yet classified.	VII. Italian History, Geography, Biography, Travel, and Polite Literature	87	223	180	100	238	249	60	198	6,002	6,324							
7	1,283	8	18	Not yet classified.	VIII. Germanic History, Geography, Biography, Travel, and Polite Literature	228	159	265	222	250	250	260	210	5,103	6,419							
6	1,122	196	27	Not yet classified.	IX. Greek, Latin, and Philology	190	100	112	97	107	82	123	98	3,791	5,142							
20	82	2,765	Not yet classified.	Not yet classified.	X. Spanish and Portuguese History, and Literature	214	216	189	160	262	176	222	143	3,544	8,916							
2	369	1	Not yet classified.	Not yet classified.	XI. Other History, Geography, Biography, Travel, and Literature	214	216	189	160	262	176	222	143	3,544	8,916							

908	651	5	97	.. . . .	XII. Periodicals and Transactions	314	341	507	445	560	397	394	208	13,310	14,921
144	3,213	872	310	.. . . .	XIII. Theology, Ecclesiastical History, etc.	968	595	836	617	985	496	620	672	12,783	17,352
5	1,217	49	77	.. . . .	XIV. Metaphysics and Social Science	185	343	429	444	378	263	321	290	5,291	6,669
3	397	13	30	.. . . .	XV. Jurisprudence	145	161	111	112	114	106	115	109	2,842	3,185
65	98	.. . . .	15	.. . . .	XVI. Political Economy	79	66	118	75	120	58	101	97	1,316	1,494
3	66	22	.. . . .	.. . . .	XVII. Medical Science	370	556	706	515	365	669	747	499	8,462	8,553
14	124	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	XVIII. Natural History and Science	155	170	172	212	191	331	289	188	1,478	5,616
824	90	20	53	.. . . .	XIX. Mathematics and Physical Sciences	312	318	394	440	485	434	323	301	7,200	8,247
4	9	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	XX. Useful Arts	96	116	119	102	76	181	256	265	1,992	2,005
.. . . .	29	1	.. . . .	.. . . .	XXI. Fine Arts	197	205	193	338	253	215	201	162	4,124	4,154
6	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	XXII. Bound Vols. of Miscellaneous Pamphlets . . . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	15	6	5	3	9	5	430	436
.. . . .	.. . . .	18	31	.. . . .	XXIII. Bound Vols. of Manuscripts . . . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	.. . . .	49	1	50	50
2,542	11,721	1,970	3,907	2,225	Totals	5,100	6,297	7,475	6,296	7,508	6,477	6,622	5,995	132,251	155,106

EXPLANATION. — Class III includes General History, Universal Biographies, Histories of Eras, Voyages and Travels, when embracing several countries, and collected works of historians.

Class IV includes North and South American History, Documents and Statistics, Biographies of Americans, Geography of, and Voyages and Travels in America, with the collected works of American writers, and what of American Literature is sometimes termed Polygraphy.

Class V, CLASS VI, CLASS VII, CLASS VIII. — These have the same scope for the respective countries that Class IV has for America. Class VIII includes also Belgium, the Netherlands and Switzerland, as also the Scandinavian nations.

Class XI includes Russia, Greece, Turkey, with Asia, Africa, Australia, Polynesia, etc.

Class XIV includes Political Science, Social Science, and Ethics applied and unapplied, Intellectual Science, Education, Rhetoric, Logic, Phrenology, etc.

Class XIX includes Mechanics, Military and Naval Arts, Agriculture, Domestic Arts, etc.

Class XXII embraces all such pamphlet volumes as may have been received from time to time, and are generally too heterogeneous in their make-up to be classed otherwise than by themselves.

The subdivisions of classes are kept in ranges by themselves, so that for purposes of enumeration or learning percentage of use, it is practicable at any time to get exact figures upon the subdivisions; as also upon such points as Biography, Travel and Voyages, etc., by summing the results of the ranges devoted to them in the several volumes.

NOTE. — The above figures of the special collections, excepting the Patent Library, which is yearly increased, exhibit them as when received in the Public Library and assigned to our shelves. There have been since then some small additions to them, chiefly from continuations of serials, but such accessions are counted in the classes of the general Library, though the books are located with the special collection. The increase of the Tieknor Library will hereafter be considerable from the fund left by the donor; but the accession will appear in this table under the increase of the General Library.

The annual increase of the Patent Library is included in the last column of the Special Libraries, and not in the yearly locations of the General Library. The column "May 1, 1874," does not include the totals of the Patent Library, or of the other special libraries.

APPENDIX X.
LOWER HALL CLASSIFICATIONS.

CLASSES.	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874. To be deducted.						Total, May 1, 1874.
	Total Aug. 1.	Total Aug. 1.	Total Aug. 1.	Total May 1.	Total May 1.	Total May 1.	Total May 1.	New books added.	Duplicates added.	Condemned books replaced.	Total added, 1873-74.	Transferred to B. H.	Transferred to Branches.		Condemned.
Theology, Moral and Intellectual Science, etc.	1,488	1,569	1,651	1,703	1,753	1,805	1,802	15	2	2	19	25	4	1,792
Jurisprudence and Political Science	270	276	280	283	289	275	285	11	3	3	13	2	2	294
Medicine, Mathematics, Physics or Natural Science	1,705	1,778	1,857	1,898	1,908	1,948	2,043	61	18	3	82	23	2	2,098
Useful and Fine Arts, Military and Naval Science	599	620	617	654	639	629	656	27	4	..	31	14	5	668
American History and Politics	1,023	1,059	1,082	1,089	1,086	1,070	1,077	11	1	1	13	2	1	1,070
Foreign History and Politics	1,333	1,374	1,387	1,401	1,363	1,359	1,354	12	..	2	14	3	3	1,362
Poetry, Drama, Oratory, Rhetoric	2,268	2,344	2,354	2,376	2,467	2,329	2,544	27	1	2	20	1	12	2,540
English Prose Fiction, including Juvenile Fiction, and other juvenile books	7,165	8,062	9,130	9,818	10,469	11,281	11,864	368	342	352	1,062	..	2	11,838
Biography	2,342	2,223	2,300	2,336	2,298	2,281	2,246	12	9	2	23	27	8	2,234
Travels	1,897	1,871	1,989	2,041	1,990	1,980	1,965	41	5	2	48	12	15	1,986
Libraries, Collections, Periodicals, etc.*	2,621	2,798	3,125	3,305	3,478	3,771	3,827	43	44	7	94	1	16	3,728
German Books	1,137	1,206	1,232	1,246	1,247	1,250	1,232	7	..	3	10	..	2	1,201
Italian Books	221	221	221	224	226	226	227	1	..	..	1	..	..	228
French Books	1,043	1,104	1,191	1,209	1,209	1,213	1,232	16	..	1	17	2	3	1,244
Spanish Books . . . . .	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Books of Reference	87	92	97	126	171	214	225	7	..	1	8	..	1	232
Totals	25,199	26,606	28,753	29,909	30,574	31,827	32,605	659	426	380	1,465	6	160	1308
														32,596

* This class, embracing sets like Bohn's "Libraries," etc., includes many books, of course, which in a minute classification, would have been divided among all the previous heads of this table.
NOTE. — The column of "Condemned books replaced" includes books condemned in previous years as well as in the current year. The column "Total added" shows the number of volumes as put upon the shelves, counting as one those bound two volumes in one, etc.

APPENDIX XI.

FUNDS AND DONATIONS, 1873-1874.

1. Bates, Joshua, <i>London</i> , interest on the fund of	.	\$50,000
2. Bigelow, <i>Hon.</i> John P., " " "	.	1,000
3. Franklin Club, " " "	.	1,000
4. Lawrence, <i>Hon.</i> Abbott, " " "	.	10,000
5. Phillips, <i>Hon.</i> Jonathan, " " "	.	30,000
6. Pierce, <i>Hon.</i> Henry L., " " "	.	5,000
7. Tieknor, George, " " "	.	4,000
8. Townsend, Mary P., " " "	.	4,000
		\$105,000

Note. — The following reinvestments of these funds have occurred during the year:—

1. Bates Fund, City bonds, No. 1727, due April 1, 1894.
2. Bigelow Fund, City bonds, No. 1726, due April 1, 1894.
5. Phillips Fund (\$10,000 of it), City bonds, No. 1725, due April 1, 1894.
6. Pierce Fund, City bonds, No. 1567, due January 1, 1894.

DONATIONS MAY 1, 1873, TO APRIL 30, 1874.

Donors (excluding anonymous),	.	.	.	.	739
Volumes,	.	.	.	.	8,783
Pamphlets,	.	.	.	.	17,138

DONORS.	Vols.	Pph.
Abbot, <i>Prof.</i> Ezra, <i>D. D.</i> , <i>Cambridge</i> ,		1
Adams, <i>Hon.</i> Charles F., <i>Quincy</i> ,	4	1
Addeman, <i>Hon.</i> Joshua M., <i>Providence, R. I.</i> ,	1	2
Advocates' Library, <i>Edinburgh, Scotland</i> ,	4	
Alabama, State of,		1
Albany, <i>N. Y.</i> , Young Men's Association,		1
Allen, <i>Licut.</i> George II.,		24
Allen, <i>Miss</i> Margaret,		2
Allibone, <i>S. A.</i> , <i>L.L. D.</i> , <i>Philadelphia</i> , 1 broadside,		
American Academy of Arts and Sciences,	1	2
American Antiquarian Society, <i>Worcester</i> ,	1	1
American Association for the Advancement of Science,	2	

DONORS.	Vols.	Ppb.
American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, <i>Hartford, Ct.</i> ,		3
American Bible Society, <i>New York</i> ,		2
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions,		4
American Colonization Society, <i>Washington, D. C.</i> ,		2
American Institute, <i>New York</i> ,	2	
American Institute of Mining Engineers, <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	
American Iron and Steel Association, <i>Philadelphia</i> ,		1
American News Company, <i>New York</i> ,	1	
American Philosophical Society, <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	
American Printing House for the Blind, <i>Louisville, Ky.</i> ,	1	
American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, <i>New York</i> ,		1
American Society of Civil Engineers, <i>New York</i> ,		8
American Unitarian Association,	90	100
Amiens, <i>France</i> , Bibliothèque Communale,	1	
Andover, Town of,		1
—— Memorial Hall Library,	1	
—— Theological Seminary,		1
Andrews, Jacob R.,	11	
Andrews, Samuel,	9	4
Anonymous, 37 newspapers, 44 numbers of periodicals, 2 broadsides,	23	287
Antioch College, <i>Yellow Springs, Ohio</i> ,		7
Appleton, Mrs.,	28	4
Appleton, Nathan,		1
Appleton, William S.,	1	
Arkansas, State of,		1
Asher & Co., <i>London</i> ,	1	
Attwood, Gilbert & Co.,		1
Aumer, Joseph, <i>Munich, Germany</i> ,		12
Austin, Arthur W.,	1	
Babcock, Rev. William G.,		2
Baker, Nathaniel B., <i>Des Moines, Iowa</i> ,	1	1
Baldwin Place Home for Little Wanderers,		1
Balfour, David M.,	2	
Baltimore, <i>Md.</i> , School Commissioners,	2	
Bancroft, J. P., <i>M. D., Concord, N. H.</i> ,		1
Bangor, <i>Me.</i> , Library Association,	1	
Barrows, Horace G., <i>M. D.</i> ,	45	
Barry, John,		1
Barton, Mrs. Cora L., <i>Barrytown, N. Y.</i> ,	2	
Batchelder, Samuel, <i>Cambridge</i> ,	2	
Bates, James L.,		1
Bell, Prof. A. Graham,	1	
Bellevue Hospital, <i>New York</i> ,	1	
Benham, Gen. H. W.,		1
Bennett, Joseph E., <i>Manchester, N. H.</i> ,	1	
Bent, Goodnow & Co., 4 newspapers,		
Bethesda Society,		2
Beverly Yacht Club,	2	
Bigelow, Horatio R., <i>M. D.</i> ,		1
Bird, Joseph, <i>Watertown</i> ,		2
Birmingham, <i>England</i> , Free Libraries Committee,	1	1
Boardman, Samuel L., <i>Augusta, Me.</i> ,	10	

DONORS.	Vols.	Pph.
Bockus, Charles E.,		1
Bolton, <i>England</i> , Public Free Library and Museum,		1
Boston, City of,	30	2
—— Board of Trade,	1	
—— City Messenger,	1	
—— City Surveyor, 5 maps,		
—— Cochituate Water Board,	17	
—— Commissioners on Annexation, 1 map,		
—— Gas Light Company,	4	
—— Harbor Commissioners,		1
—— Superintendent of Printing,	9	10
Boston Art Club,	1	1
Boston Athenæum,		2
Boston City Missionary Society,		3
Boston Museum of Fine Arts,		1
Boston Port and Seaman's Aid Society,		1
Boston Provident Association,		2
Boston Society of Natural History,	3	10
Boston University,	1	10
Boston Young Men's Christian Union,		1
Boston Young Women's Christian Association,		1
Both, Carl, <i>M. D.</i> ,		1
Bouton, J. W., <i>New York</i> ,	1	
Bowdoin College, <i>Brunswick, Me.</i> ,		2
Bradford, George P.,	5	
Bradford, T. G.,		2
Bradlee, <i>Rev.</i> Caleb D., 4 photographs,	6	4
Bradlee, Nathaniel J.,	1	
Brewer, Thomas M., <i>M. D.</i> ,		16
Brewer and Tileston,		1
Bridgeman, Alfred, <i>New York</i> ,		2
Brigham, <i>Rev.</i> Charles H., <i>Ann Arbor, Mich.</i> ,	1	
Brincklé, J. Gordon, <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	
Briscoe, John Potter, <i>Nottingham, England</i> , 1 broadside,		2
British Museum, <i>London</i> ,	9	
Brookline, Public Library,	2	5
Brooklyn, <i>N. Y.</i> , Mercantile Library,	2	
Brooks, <i>Hon.</i> George M., <i>Concord</i> ,	1	
Brooks, <i>Rev.</i> William H., <i>Hanover</i> ,	1	2
Brown, Francis H., <i>M. D.</i> , 87 numbers of periodicals,	2	
Brown, Guy A., <i>Lincoln, Nebraska</i> ,	1	
Brown, John Coffin Jones,	1	
Brown, William, <i>Montreal</i> ,		1
Brown University, <i>Providence, R. I.</i> ,		1
Buckingham, Charles E., <i>M. D.</i> ,	2	
Bugbee, James M., 2 broadsides,	1	
Bunker Hill Monument Association,	3	
Burbank, E. C., <i>Montreal</i> ,		1
Burlington, <i>Iowa</i> , University,		1
Burrall, Frederick A., <i>M. D.</i> , <i>New York</i> ,		1
Burroughs, <i>Rev.</i> Henry,	2	
Buswell, E. W.,	1	2
Butler, William Allen, <i>New York</i> ,	1	
Butler Hospital for the Insane, <i>Providence, R. I.</i> ,		1

DONORS.	Vols.	Pph.
California Academy of Natural Sciences, <i>San Francisco</i> , .	1	1
Callahan, John P., <i>East Cambridge</i> ,	1	
Capen, Francis L.,	2	
Carey, H. C., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,		4
Carpenter, Mrs. Mary, <i>Bristol, England</i> ,	1	
Cartée, Cornelius S.,	1	
Caswell, Edward T., <i>M. D., Providence, R. I.</i> ,		1
Caverly, Charles, Jr.,		3
Chambers, Miss,	4	
Chambers, George E., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,		1
Chandler, Horace P., 8 numbers of periodicals,	1	10
Chandler, Hon. Peleg W.,		1
Chandler, Thomas H., <i>M. D.</i> , 233 numbers of periodicals,	9	48
Channing Home,		1
Chapman, Alfred T.,	1	
Charlestown, Public Library,	3	
Chase, J. Eastman,		20
Chase Brothers and Woodward, <i>Rochester, N. Y.</i> ,		1
Chelsea, School Committee,		2
Chicago, Ill., Board of Education,	3	
—— Public Library,		2
—— West Side Library,		2
Children's Hospital,		1
Christern, F. W., <i>New York</i> ,	3	18
Christian Register Association,	2	
Chute, James M.,	6	2
Cincinnati, Ohio, Mercantile Library,		1
—— Public Library,	1	1
Claghorn, James L., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	1
Clapp, David, and Son,		616
Clarke, Rev. James Freeman, <i>D. D.</i> ,	1	
Clarke, Miss M. E.,	1	
Clarke, Robert & Co., <i>Cincinnati, Ohio</i> ,	3	1
Clarke, T. W.,	4	13
Clement, Mrs. C. E.,	2	
Cobb, Stephen S., <i>Lansing, Mich.</i> ,	1	
Cobden Club, <i>London</i> ,	20	
Coburn, Ethan N.,		1
Coddington and Kingsley, <i>New York</i> , 2 numbers of a periodical,		
Colby University, <i>Waterville, Me.</i> ,		1
Collings, Jesse, <i>Birmingham, England</i> , 2 newspapers,		2
Columbia College, <i>New York</i> ,		1
Columbus, Ohio, Public Library,		1
Concord, Free Public Library,		5
Concord, N. H., City of,		2
Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences, <i>New Haven</i> ,		1
Cook, Son and Jenkins, <i>New York</i> ,		3
Cooper Union, <i>New York</i> ,		2
Co-operative Publishing Company, <i>Princeton, N. J.</i> ,		1
Cornell University, <i>Ithaca, N. Y.</i> ,	2	1
Cotting, Benjamin E., <i>M. D.</i> ,	1	1
Cradlock, Hon. G. W., <i>Frankfort, Ky.</i> ,		1
Curry, Hon. W. W., <i>Indianapolis, Ind.</i> ,	1	

DONORS.	Vols.	Pph.
Curtis, Daniel Sargent, 1 broadside,	6	6
Curtis, Edward, <i>M. D.</i> , <i>New York</i> ,		1
Curtis, George Ticknor, <i>New York</i> ,	1	
Curtis, <i>Hon.</i> H. P., <i>San Francisco, Cal.</i> ,	1	
Cushing, <i>Hon.</i> Caleb, <i>Washington, D. C.</i> ,	2	
Cutter, Abram E.,	4	37
Dalton, John C., <i>M. D.</i> , <i>New York</i> ,	1	1
Davis, Charles E., <i>Jr.</i> ,	4	
Davis, <i>Hon.</i> J. C. Bancroft, <i>Washington, D. C.</i> ,	10	
Dean, <i>Hon.</i> Benjamin,	3	
Dean, John Ward,	1	1
Deane, Charles, <i>Cambridge</i> ,	2	
De Koven, <i>Rev.</i> James, <i>Racine, Wis.</i> ,		1
Delaware Historical Society, <i>Wilmington</i> ,	1	
Dennet, William H.,	4	2
De Peyster, <i>Gen.</i> John W., <i>New York</i> ,	11	2
Derby, George, <i>M. D.</i> ,	20	7
Detroit, <i>Mich.</i> , Public Library,		1
Dentscher Medicinischer Verein,	7	
Dexter, Franklin B., <i>Yale College, New Haven, Ct.</i> ,	3	2
Dillaway, Charles K.,	7	
Dixwell, J. J., 13 broadsides, 7 maps, 138 numbers of periodicals,	488	424
Dodge, <i>Rev.</i> John W., <i>Yarmouth</i> ,	1	
Dorr, <i>Miss</i> C. B.,		7
Eaton, Amasa M., <i>Providence, R. I.</i> ,		1
Eaton, S. B., <i>New York</i> ,		1
Edes, H. H., 1 map, 145 numbers of periodicals, 2 portraits,	85	626
Eliot, John Fleet, 13 broadsides, 1 map,	1	19
Elliott, <i>Hon.</i> Robert B., <i>Washington, D. C.</i> ,		8
Ellis, <i>Miss</i> ,		1
Ellis, Calvin, <i>M. D.</i> , 42 broadsides, 485 nos. of periodicals,	1	287
Ellis, <i>Rev.</i> George E., <i>D. D.</i> ,	1	
Ellis, <i>Rev.</i> Rufus, <i>D. D.</i> ,		1
Emerson, <i>Hon.</i> George B.,	3	158
Essex Institute, <i>Salem</i> ,	1	
Etting, Frank M., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,		2
Everett, <i>Rev.</i> O. C., <i>D. D.</i> , <i>Cambridge</i> ,		1
Fallows, Samuel, <i>Madison, Wis.</i> ,	1	
Fall River, Public Library,		1
Fearing, <i>Hon.</i> Albert, <i>Hingham</i> ,	1	
Feininger, Adolph, <i>Columbia, S. C.</i> ,	6	
Fette, W. Eliot,	3	2
Fish, <i>Hon.</i> Hamilton, <i>Washington, D. C.</i> ,	7	
Fitchburg Railroad Company,		40
Flügel, <i>Dr.</i> Felix, <i>Leipzig, Germany</i> ,	1	129
Foley, William J.,		2
Foote, <i>Rev.</i> Henry W.,	1	1
Forbes, Robert B., <i>Milton</i> ,		2
Ford, William E.,		3
Forster, E. J., <i>M. D.</i> , 18 numbers of a periodical,	56	32
Fox, Samuel, 1 newspaper,		
Freke, H., <i>M. D.</i> , <i>Dublin, Ireland</i> ,	4	
French, John H., <i>Burlington, Vt.</i> ,	1	1

DONORS.	Vols.	Pph.
French, Jonathan, 1 newspaper,	1	
Frothingham, Hon. Richard,	2	
Gage, Rev. William L., Hartford, Ct.,	1	
Galvin, Rev. Edward Ilsley,	1	
Gaskoin, George, London,	1	
Gassett, Edward,	1	
Gassett, Mrs. L.,	1	
General Theological Library,		1
Georgia Historical Society,		1
Gibbs, Charles N., Nashville, Tenn.,	1	
Giles, Alfred E., Wyde Park,		1
Gilman, Arthur, Cambridge,	1	
Gilman, D. C., Oakland, Cal.,		2
Ginn Brothers,	1	
Guinness, Charles,		1
Globe Publishing Company,	2	
Goeje, Prof. M. J. de, Leyden,	1	
Goodnow Library, Sudbury,	1	
Gray, Edward,	37	
Great Britain, Commissioner of Patents,	190	
Green, J. Orne, M. D.,		2
Green, Samuel A., M. D., 1 number of a periodical,	13	50
Greener, Richard T., Washington, D. C.,	1	
Greenough, William W., 80 broadsides,	7	52
Griffin, Appleton P. C.,		1
Grinnell, James S., Washington, D. C.,		1
Griswold, A. W., New York,	1	
Hamel, Thomas S., Quebec,	1	13
Hamm, Miss Helen G.,	4	
Hannah, George, Brooklyn, N. Y.,	1	
Harding, W. P., Chelsea, 86 numbers of a periodical,		
Harris, Thomas, 164 numbers of a periodical,		
Harris, William T., St. Louis, Mo.,	1	
Harrison, T. L., Albany, N. Y.,	1	
Hart, Charles H., Philadelphia,		2
Hartford, Ct., Retreat for the Insane,	1	
—— Young Men's Institute,	2	2
Hartt, Prof. Charles F., Ithaca, N. Y.,		1
Harvard University, Cambridge,		6
—— Museum of Comparative Zoölogy,	2	4
—— Peabody Museum,		1
Haskins, Rev. David G., Cambridge,	1	
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West Virginia, State of,		1
Wheeler, William A., 2 broadsides, 1 map, 1 newspaper,	20	29
Wheildon, William W., <i>Concord</i> , 1 number of a periodical,	6	2
Whipple, Charles K.,		66
Whittaker, A. E., <i>San Francisco, Cal.</i> ,		3
White, Ambrose H.,	1	
White, J. C., <i>M. D.</i> , 47 numbers of periodicals,	1	40
Whitehill, H. R., <i>Carson City, Nevada</i> ,	1	
Whiting, <i>Mrs.</i> William, 22 maps,	232	7
Whitmore, William H.,	2	

DONORS.	Vols.	Pph.
Whitney, Rev. F. A.,		1
Whitney, Prof. H. M. <i>Beloit, Wis.</i> ,	1	
Whitney, James L., 2 broadsides, 2 numbers of periodicals,	5	27
Whitney, Prof. William D., <i>LL. D.</i> , <i>New Haven, Ct.</i> ,	1	3
Wilder, Hon. Marshall P.,		1
Wiles, Alvah T., <i>Zanesville, Ohio</i> ,		1
Willcox, E. S., <i>Peoria, Ill.</i> ,		2
Willey, Henry. <i>New Bedford</i> ,		1
Williams, David, <i>New York</i> , 1 number of a periodical,		
Williams, Henry J., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	
Williams, Hon. J. M. S., <i>Cambridge</i> ,		1
Williams, Major J. Otis,	1	1
Williams, James, <i>Columbus, Ohio</i> ,	1	
Williams College, <i>Williamstown</i> ,		1
Wilmington Institute, <i>Wilmington, Del.</i> ,		1
Wilson, Mr.,		6
Wilson, Vice-President Henry, <i>Natick</i> ,	10	
Wilson, H. H., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	
Wilson, Col. Henry W.,	2	
Wilson, Hinkle and Co., <i>Cincinnati, Ohio</i> ,	4	
Winchester, Caleb T., <i>Middletown, Ct.</i> ,		1
Wing, J. M. and Co., <i>Chicago, Ill.</i> ,	1	
Winsor, Justin,	4	5
Winthrop, Hon. Robert C., 8 broadsides and 52 numbers of periodicals,	3	177
Wisconsin Historical Society, <i>Madison</i> , 1 broadside,		
Wisconsin Institution for the Education of the Blind, <i>Janesville</i> ,		1
Woburn, Library Committee,		1
Wolle, H. H., <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	1	
Woods, George, and Co., <i>Cambridge</i> ,	1	
Woodward, R. B., <i>San Francisco, Cal.</i> ,		1
Worcester Young Men's Christian Association,		1
Worthington and Flanders,	2	
Yale College, <i>New Haven, Ct.</i> ,		3
Young, Rev. Edward J., <i>Cambridge</i> ,		1

Note.—The above enumeration includes the gifts to the Fellowes Athenæum, connected with the Roxbury Branch.

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APPENDIX XIII.

REGISTRATION.

Class No.	NOTE. The first registration, 1854-8, had 17,066 names; the second, 1859-67, had 52,829 names.	THIRD REGISTRATION.							Totals.	
		1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.		
I.	Applications.	Central Library	12,057	6,490	6,577	7,096	6,688	6,670	8,016	53,594
		E. B. Branch				2,320	993	826	1,244	5,383
		S. B. Branch					232	3,094	1,665	4,992
		Rox. Branch							3,475	3,475
		Chn. Branch							693	693
		Bri. Branch							108	108
		Total	12,057	6,490	6,577	9,416	7,913	10,596	15,202	68,245
II.	Applications sent to Police (for verification when needed).	Central Library	2,810	3,462	1,904	3,040	2,876	3,419	3,642	21,153
		E. B. Branch				1,012	474	266	463	2,215
		S. B. Branch						645	515	1,160
		Rox. Branch							237	237
		Chn. Branch							11	11
		Bri. Branch							0	0
		Total	2,810	3,462	1,904	4,052	3,350	4,330	4,868	24,776
III.	Cards Re-fused (mostly for non-residency or under age).	Central Library	233	202	179	241	267	288	287	1,697
		E. B. Branch				80	28	10	12	130
		S. B. Branch						64	36	100
		Rox. Branch							89	89
		Chn. Branch							3	3
		Bri. Branch							3	3
		Total	233	202	179	321	295	362	430	2,022
IV.	Cards not called for during the year.	Central Library	852	589	404	393	439	409	291	3,277
		E. B. Branch				117	151	93	90	451
		S. B. Branch						179	65	244
		Rox. Branch							17	17
		Chn. Branch							0	0
		Bri. Branch							1	1
		Total	852	583	404	510	590	681	894	4,090

APPENDIX XIII.— *Continued.*

REGISTRATION.

Class No.	NOTE. The first registration, 1854-8, had 17,066 names; the second, 1859-67, had 52,829 names.	THIRD REGISTRATION.							Totals.	
		1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.		
V.	Applications Cancelled. (six months on file, and one month longer after notice.)	<i>Central Library</i>				1,215	264	196	245	1,920
		<i>E. B. Branch</i>					82	45	45	173
		<i>S. B. Branch</i>						82	106	188
		<i>Rox. Branch</i>							17	17
		<i>Chn. Branch</i>							0	0
		<i>Bri. Branch</i>							0	0
	<i>Total</i>				1,215	346	323	414	2,298	
VI	Cards in use (deducting Classes III and V.)	<i>Central Library</i>			30,150	36,307	42,403	7,484		
		<i>E. B. Branch</i>			2,240	3,123	3,894			
		<i>S. B. Branch</i>					3,150	4,704		
		<i>Rox. Branch</i>						2,673		
		<i>Chn. Branch</i>							2,346*	7,320
		<i>Bri. Branch</i>							105	†1,378
	<i>Total</i>				32,390	39,430	49,567	†		

* The entire Registration from June 7, 1869, to May 1, 1874, is 7,320, leaving 4,974 for de- s removals, and old cards not renewed, in 5 years.

† During the year an attempt has been made to separate the slips of persons believed now to be using the Library, distinguishing them by the fact of their visiting the libraries during the year, and the result, which is of course but approximate, shows that nearly 40,000 cards may be considered *alive*.

‡ Includes 1,273 names registered before annexation.

APPENDIX XIII.—*Concluded.*

MEMORANDA.

MEMORANDA.	1872.			1873.						1874.							
	CENTRAL LIBRARY.	E. B.	S. B.	CENTR'L.	E. B.	S. B.	ROX.	CIN.	Brl.	TOTAL.	CENTR'L.	E. B.	S. B.	ROX.	CIN.	Brl.	TOTAL.
Largest weekly No. of applicants	204	34	197	263	81	64	138	64	15	630							
Month of this last	Nov.	.....	May	Jan.	Jan.	Jan.	July	Feb.	Jan.	.....						
Smallest weekly No. of applicants	58	2	17	74	3	9	15	20	2	123							
Month of this last	June	.....	Dec.	July	June	June	June	April	March	.....						
Weekly average	123	16	60	158	24	32	62	41	6	323							
Largest daily number	46	14	53	64	21	18	39	22	5	169							
Date of same	Sept. 28.	Feb. 1.	May 11.	Jan. 24.	Jan. 20.	Jan. 24.	July 21.	Feb. 14.	Jan. 17, etc.	.....						
Smallest daily number	1	0	2	5	0	0	1	0	0	6							
Date of same	May 30.	.....	May 30.	July 3.	.....	Several.	June 29.	April 23.	Several.	.....						
Dorchester applicants *	255	.....	.....	227	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	707							
Cards reported lost	2,483	492	711	2,764	521	549	93	64	6	3,997							
Of these replaced	1,656	209	512	2,181	406	441	72	38	6	3,144							
Cards detained for fines	273	382	192	488	82	322	56	10	1	959							
Cancellation warnings	327	51	112	291	30	129	29	0	0	479							
Of these cards called for	63	.....	.....	46	102	23	1	0	0	172							

* The number of Dorchester applicants reported in 1870 was 565; in 1871, 293, making with the above, to date, 1,433.

APPENDIX XIV.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED. USE OF BRITISH PATENTS AND TOSTI ENGRAVINGS.

YEARS.	BOOKS RECOMMENDED.†				USE OF BRITISH PATENTS.		USE OF TOSTI ENGRAVINGS.					
	Total recom- mended.		Already in Library.		Persons.	Hours use.	Citizens.		Strangers.		Total.	Copyists.
	Eng.	For.	Eng.	For.			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
1854												
1855	123											
1856	221											
1857	121											
1858	18											
1858	85											
1859	178											
1860	91											
1861	115											
1862	204											
1863	135											
1864	56											
1865	58					182						
1866	266					187						
1867	546			95		167						
1868	1,120			183		269						
1869	1,178			225		361						
1870 (nine months)	1,221			257		346						
1871	1,665			418		347						
1872	*1,576			324		642					812	3
1873	1,625			339		973	119	221	142	100	642	4
1874	1,990	290	467	48	1,028	1,450	137	251	152	218	758	

NOTE. — The column of "Received since" denotes those received of the "Total recommended" the same year. What may be in subsequent years received of such "Total recommended" does not appear in this table. For instance, of the 1,120 — (183 + 423) = 514 not received in 1868 of the total recommended that year, a large part has since been received.

* The partial disuse of the Bates Hall, on account of the alterations going on, affected this number.
Patents. — The American and French Patents have been placed in an alcove contiguous to the room of the British Patents, and the whole collection put in charge of a Curator. No record is made of the use of either the American or French Patents.

Engravings. — These are shown by the Curator, Mondays and Saturdays; and the statistics refer only to the bound volumes, not to those framed and on the walls.

APPENDIX XV.

BATES HALL READING.

CLASSIFICATIONS.	PERCENTAGE OF USE.											
	1863.	1861.	1865.	1866.	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
English History, Topography, Biography, Travel and Polite Literature	17.5	16	13	18	20	17	17	17	17	12	19	16
American (North and South) History, Topography, Biography, Travel and Polite Literature	6	8.5	10	8	12	12	12	12	13	10	12	11
French History, Topography, Biography, Travel and Polite Literature	5	7.5	6	6	7	4	5	5	5	4	6	6
Germanic History, Topography, Biography, Travel and Polite Literature	2.5	2	2.5	2	4	3	3	3	2	2	3	3
Italian History, Topography, Biography, Travel and Polite Literature	4	2.5	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	2
Other History, Topography, Biography, Travel and Polite Literature	3.5	3.5	2.5	4	4	5	5	3	3	3	4	3
General and Epochal History, Geography, Biography, etc.	4.5	4.25	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	2	2
Greek, Latin, and Philology	3	3.5	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	4
Bibliography	2.5	3	3	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Transactions	3	1.5	2.3	5	7	5	4	5	1	1	1	1
Periodicals	7	6	6	11	7	8	9	10	8	10	8	8
Fine Arts	9	12	16.5	8	5	8	8	8	9	11	10	11
Natural History and Science	4	4	4.6	3	3	4	3	4	4	5	3	4
Theology, Ecclesiastical History, Ethics, Education, etc.	11	11	8.5	4	4	8	9	8	11	14	10	11
Medicine	7	5	4.6	8	6	6	8	8	9	9	8	7
Law, Government, and Political Economy	1.5	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2
Useful Arts, Mathematics, Physics, etc.	5.5	5.5	7.5	7	8	7	6	5	6	8	5	6
Miscellaneous Pamphlets, bound.	2	.75	.75	2	1	2	1	3	3	3	2	2

NOTE. — In computing this percentage, the use of books in the Bowditch, Parker, and Prince Libraries, — which are kept apart from the general classifications of the Library, — is reckoned as nearly as possible and included in the usual divisions, as is indicated in the table. See *Explanations* to Appendix IX.

The want of a Catalogue to the Spanish books of the Ticknor Library has continued to prevent any use of those books which would enter into the statistics.

APPENDIX XVI.
LOWER HALL READING.

Class No.	ALCOVES.	CLASSES.	1868.		1869.		1870. (Nine months.)		1871.		1872.		1873.		1874.	
			Loans returned.	Per cent.	Loans returned.	Per cent.	Loans returned.	Per cent.	Loans returned.	Per cent.	Loans returned.	Per cent.	Loans returned.	Per cent.	Loans returned.	Per cent.
1	I, XI and ranges 8, 9, 10 of X, XX.	Sciences, Arts, Professions.	10,522	7.4	11,435	6.97	7,607	4.9	12,662	5.7	15,966	6	12,757	6+	14,422	7
2	II, XII.	American History and Politics	2,533	1.8	2,682	1.63	2,071	1.4	2,270	1	2,066	-1	1,496	1	2,705	3
3	IX, XIX.	Foreign History and Politics	3,030	2.1	3,221	1.96	2,386	1.5	2,702	1.2	2,715	1+	1,863	1	2,834	3
4	III, XIII.	Poetry, Drama, Rhetoric, Miscellaneous, Essays, etc.	3,692	2.6	2,461	1.5	2,441	1.5	5,954	2.7	8,019	4	7,651	7	8,636	4
5	IV, XIV.	Prose fiction for adults and youths	105,227	74.2	125,273	76.36	120,355	78.4	167,604	77.2	173,428	76	154,835	74	158,453	71
6	VII, XVII.	Biography	3,641	2.6	4,570	2.78	4,035	2.7	5,108	2.2	4,106	2	2,641	1	5,027	3
7	V, XV.	Travels, Voyages, etc.	3,289	2.3	5,363	3.26	5,154	3.4	6,062	2.8	4,998	3	3,631	1	6,290	3
8	VI, XVI.	Collections, Periodicals, etc..	5,941	4.2	4,550	2.77	5,747	3.8	11,530	5.2	14,815	6	17,167	8	15,563	7
9	VIII, XVIII.	French, German and Italian Books	3,978	2.8	4,482	2.73	3,637	2.4	4,451	2	2,691	1+	5,341	2	6,388	3
10	X, XX, except ranges 8, 9, 10		141,853	..	164,038	..	153,423	..	216,686	..	228,564	..	207,382	..	221,418	..

NOTE.—The columns of "Loans returned" do not include the books taken and returned the same day.

APPENDIX XVII.

EAST BOSTON BRANCH READING.

(Shown from slips of Books returned.)

Class No.	RANGES.	CLASSES.	1871. (3 mos.)		1872.		1873.		1874.	
			Books returned.	Per. centage.	Books returned.	Per. centage.	Books returned.	Per. centage.	Books returned.	Per. centage.
I.	10, 11, 12, 19, 21	Biography	669	3	1,104	1	729	1	1,216	1+
II.	4, 33	Collections, Libraries, etc.	532	2	1,002	1	632	1	801	1
III.	24, 26, 28, 29, 30, 32, 34	Fiction in Prose	8,593	36	31,937	43	30,373.	45	37,350	46
IV.	27	Foreign Books	27	-1	57	..	62	..	43	..
V.	13, 14, 18, 35	History	1,695	5	1,819	2	1,197	2	1,679	2+
VI.	1, 2	Juvenile Books	6,639	28	25,855	35	25,411	37	26,786	33
VII.	15, 50	Miscellaneous	747	3	1,256	2	798	1+	1,317	1+
VIII.	5, 6, 7, 17, 37, 39, 40, 41	Periodicals (<i>bound</i>)	1,119	5	4,009	6	3,914	6	4,786	-6
IX.	16, 22	Poetry and Drama	2,071	9	2,447	4	1,131	-2.	2,206	2+
X.	3, 36, 33	Sciences, Arts, Professions	883	3	2,057	3	1,627	2	1,997	2
XI.	8, 9, 23	Travels, Voyages	1,179	5	2,296	3	1,863	3	2,241	-3
XII.	25	Patent Office Reports . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
		Totals	23,575	..	73,859	..	67,637	..	80,423	..

NOTE. — The classification in this Branch is somewhat different from that of the Lower Hall of the Central Library, where juvenile books are scattered among the other classes, as the character of the book, whether fiction, history, biography, etc., would require.

APPENDIX XVIII.

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH READING.

(Shown from slips of Books returned.)

Class No.	RANGES.	CLASSES.	1873.		1874.	
			Books returned.	Per-centage.	Books returned.	Per-centage.
I.	15, 16	American History and Bi-ography	2,604	-3	2,974	-3
II.	5, 6, 7, 8	Foreign History and Biog-raphy	1,867	2	2,242	2+
III.	33, 34, 36	Travels, Voyages	3,054	3+	3,302	3+
IV.	18, 23, 29, 32	Professions	349	-1	436	-1
V.	25	Poetry and Drama	1,909	2	2,092	2+
VI.	31, 39	Arts and Sciences	3,373	3+	3,454	3+
VII.	3, 4, 17, 20, 27, 30, 35	Miscellanies, Collect'ns, etc.	3,162	3+	3,480	3+
VIII.	1, 2, 19	Periodicals (<i>bound</i>)	4,140	4+	5,264	5+
IX.	11, 12, 13, 14, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26	Fiction and Juveniles	76,222	78	85,047	78+
X.	10	Patents	26	} -1	8	..
XI.	40	Foreign Languages	91		65	..
		Totals	96,797	..	108,864	

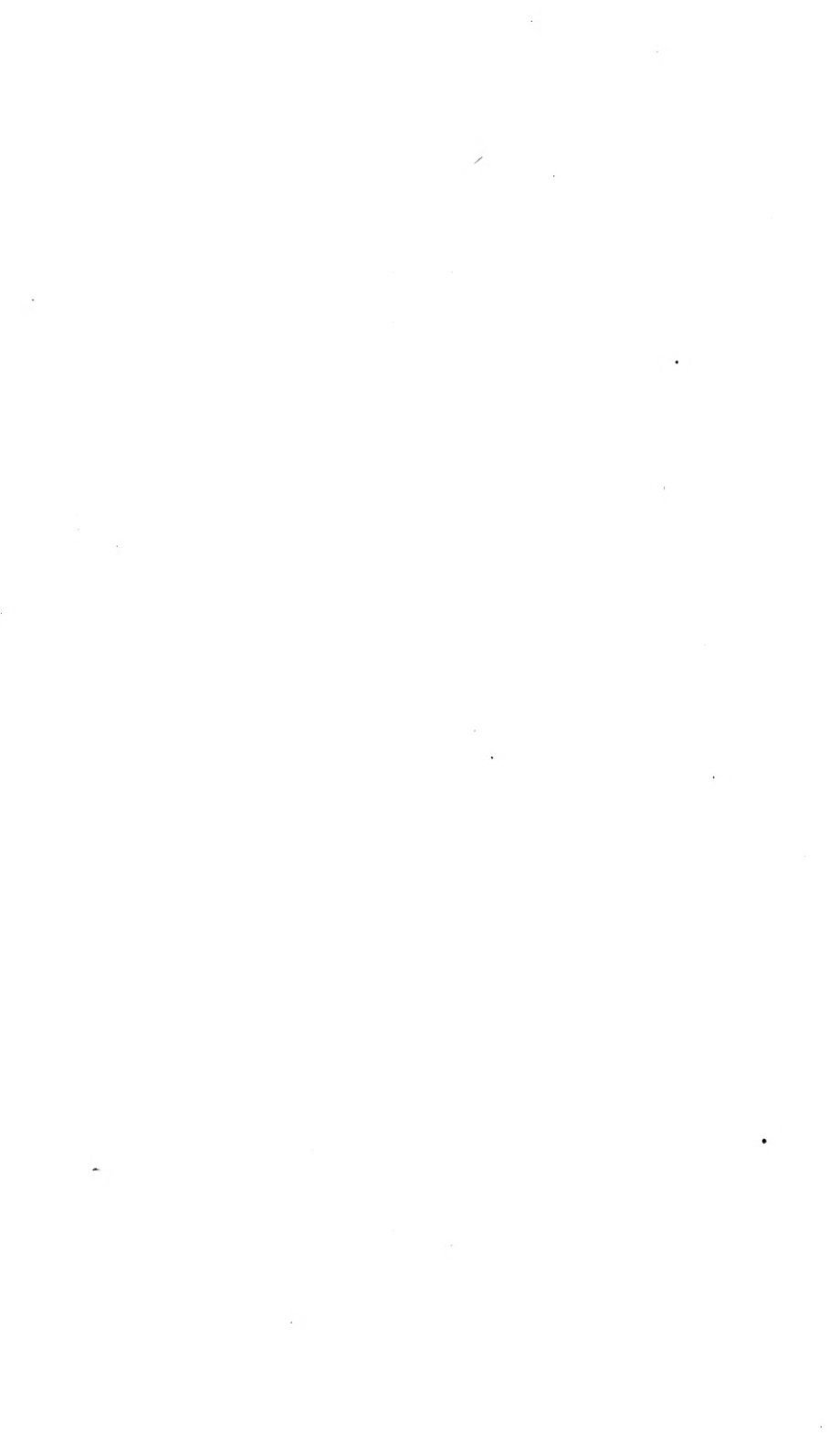
The grouping of the classifications is varied a little from that in the table for East Boston, in order to show the classes of reading in somewhat different relations.

APPENDIX XIX.

ROXBURY BRANCH AND FELLOWES ATHENÆUM READING.

NOTE. — The two sections of this table, refer to two different collections of books.

Rox. Br. Class No.	RANGES.	CLASSES.	1874.	
			Books Returned.	Per-centage.
I.	1, 3, 5, 7 .	Prose Fiction	28,575	-49
II.	2, 4	Travels	2,623	-5
III.	6, 8	History	1,121	-2
IV.	9, 11	Juveniles	19,261	32+
V.	10, 12	Biography	1,351	2+
VI.	13, 14	Periodicals	1,019	-2
VII.	15, 17	Arts, Sciences, Professions	2,657	4+
VIII.	16	Poetry and Drama	1,219	2+
IX.	18, 19	Collected Works and Lit. Miscellaneous	724	-2
X.	20	Books in Foreign Languages	55	
Total			58,605	
F. A. Class No.				
I.	50, 54, 59	History, Biography, Travels	1,982	35
II.	55, 57	Modern Foreign Languages	729	13
III.	51, 53, 65, 67	Periodicals	160	2
IV.	52, 56	Miscellaneous Literature	661	12
V.	58	Theology, Sociology, Ethics	412	7
VI.	60	Medicine	46	1
VII.	61	Greek and Lat. Languages and Literature	262	5
VIII.	62	Fine Arts, Engineering	684	12
IX.	63, 69	Law, Politics, Government	36	1
X.	64, 66, 68 .	Mathematics, Natu. and Applied Science	719	12
Total			5,691	



APPENDIX XX.
PERIODICAL READING ROOMS.

PERIODICALS.	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.						Total.
								Central.	E. B.	S. B.	Rox.	Ch'n.	Bri.	
BY LANGUAGES.														
English	141	175	208	220	315	333	374	298	42	41	67	76	23	547
French	39	46	49	47	48	52	54	55	..	..	2	..	..	57
German	27	31	35	34	36	38	41	39	..	3	1	..	..	43
Italian	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Spanish and Portuguese . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals	208	254	294	304	402	426	474	395	42	44	70	76	23	650
Duplicates . . . . .	..	..	..	..	72	80	92	84	3	5	2	..	..	94
Grand Total . . . . .	..	..	..	..	474	506*	566	479	45	49	72	76	23	744
BY CLASSES.														
1. Scientific and Professional	86	98	119	128	147	141	155	146	8	5	7	12	2	180
2. Literary and Miscellaneous	68	96	95	96	113	124	145	113	17	16	14	36	11	207
3. Agricultural and Horticultural . . . . .	..	..	13	13	21	17	14	13	..	..	..	1	1	15

4. Religious	18	17	17	17	36	41	43	39	3	7	10	14	4	77
5. Illustrated and Foreign Papers	12	17	14	14	23	23	39	26	2	5	26	6	2	67
6. Commercial	9	9	11	11	21	22	16	18	1	1	1	..	..	21
7. Fashion	6	6	8	8	10	14	17	8	5	3	3	2	2	23
8. Illustrated Comic Magazines .	3	3	5	5	4	5	7	5	1	2	1	1	..	10
9. Juveniles	3	4	8	8	14	19	21	12	3	4	4	2	1	26
10. Fine Arts	3	4	4	4	13	15	17	15	2	1	4	2	..	24
Total, excluding duplicates .	208	254	294	304	402	426	474	395	42	44	70	76	23	650
STATISTICS OF USE.														
Number of days open	289	300	†299	†230	..	308	..	360	360	360	311	116	117	..
Total readers	55,284	\$76,892	\$91,674	117,262	193,417	171,519	218,538	162,957	19,186	26,073	16,851	8,637	..	233,704
Daily average readers	191	256	306	510	675	557	678	453	53	72	54	74	..	706
Magazines read, total	81,783	88,034	136,122	142,962	269,150	254,159	288,462	218,368	33,845	47,321	23,321	6,769	..	329,524
Magazines read, daily average . .	283	293	455	622	992	825	897	606	94	131	75	58	..	964

* Transactions of learned societies and costly journals, kept in the Bates Hall, are not included in this count, but they are all embraced — if currently received — in the Periodical List, issued by the Library.

† Nine months.

‡ Eleven months and no vacation.

§ This includes for 1869, 2,129, and for 1868, 2,013 non-resident readers; but now the distinction is not made.

NOTE. — The use of newspapers at the Charlestown Branch is not included, but the number of readers of them is. No statistics of use at Brighton are practicable under the present arrangements.

APPENDIX XXI.

LOSSES, DELINQUENTS, ETC.

Class No.	CLASSES.	1873.						Total.
		B. H.	L. H.	E. B.	S. B.	Rox.	Total.	
1	Books finable (<i>mail notices</i>)	3,612	16,831	3,710	3,578	.....	27,101
2	Books returned after notice	3,447	15,824	3,039	3,466	.....	25,746
3	Books sent for by messenger	165	1,067	101	112	.....	1,445
4	Books recovered by messenger	160	1,011	69	107	.....	1,377
5	Books not recovered	5	56	2	5	.....	68
6	Books condemned	5	679	95	71	5	855	
7	Books covered . . . . .	.....	47,956	23,808	31,193	3,600	106,557
8	Persons finable not paying mes- senger	53	325	27	60	.....	465
9	Fines collected by messenger	\$46 48	\$218 04	\$24 07	\$16 00	.....	\$304 59
10	Fines uncollected by messenger	\$21 21	\$128 58	\$9 97	\$21 60	.....	\$181 36
11	Cost of cartickets for messenger . . . . .	.....	\$25 11	\$0 20	\$0 96	.....	\$26 27
12	Cost of mail notices (five cents each) . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13	Residences changed without notice . . . . .	.....	270	71	4	.....	345
14	Books sent to binderies	2,643	2,541	549	614	113	6,469	
		3,219	2,669	.....	.....	.....	.....

LOSSES, DELINQUENTS, ETC. — Continued.

Class No.	CLASSES.	1874.								TOTALS.
		B. H.	L. H.	E. B.	S. B.	ROX.	CU'N.	BRL.		
1	Books finable (<i>mail notices</i>)	4,138	15,905	3,252	4,845	2,442	958	413	31,953	
2	Books returned after notice	3,950	14,682	3,141	4,689	2,342	939	406	30,149	
3	Books sent for by messenger	188	1,223	108	156	58	19	7	1,759	
4	Books recovered by messenger	189	1,159	105	156	56	19	5	1,680	
5	Books not recovered	8	64	3	0	2	0	2	79	
6	Books condemned	0	1,757	143	217	26	144	12	2,209	
7	Books covered . . . . .	.....	42,843	37,844	55,491	30,283	3,593	2,038	152,102
8	Persons finable not paying messenger	51	463	31	112	39	7	2	701	
9	Fines collected by messenger	\$59.24	\$218.12	\$21.74	\$14.06	\$5.88	—	\$2.12	\$321.76	
10	Fines uncollected by messenger	\$37.34	\$167.76	\$11.06	\$27.72	\$11.46	—	.78	\$265.12	
11	Cost of car tickets for messenger . . . . .	.....	\$25.76	.52	\$1.00	\$2.00	—	.64	\$29.92
12	Residences changed without notice . . . . .	.....	.....	62	58	9	—	—	129
13	Books sent to binderies . . . . .	.....	1,872	522	612	324	155	25	6,354

NOTE. — The figures for Charlestown and Brighton cover only four months.

APPENDIX XXII.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

GENERAL LIBRARY ACCOUNT.	1870-71.		1871-72.		1872-73.		1873-74.			Paid into City treasury for fines and sales of Catalogues.
	City appropriations.	Expended.	City appropriations.	Expended.	City appropriations.	Expended.	Fellows Athenaeum.	Expended.	Fellows Athenaeum.	
Binding	\$4,400	\$5,231 38	\$5,200	\$5,569 12	\$4,000	\$2,511 10		\$5,866		1859 \$437 80
Books	7,500	{ 12,109 68	9,000	{ 14,538 60		{ 12,677 89		{ 44,731 56		1860 450 00
Periodicals*		{ 1,979 63		{ 3,130 08		{ 1,865 84		{ 2,679 57		1861 246 34
Catalogues (printing)	4,800	3,433 62	5,700	3,731 85	5,500	3,963 16		8,610	7,513 20	1862 350 00
Expense	1,600	1,678 90	2,000	2,487 04	2,000	2,628 59		4,305	3,141 01	1863 528 49
Fuel	1,300	1,083 80	1,650	1,596 20	1,650	1,543 75		2,580	2,720 50	1864 314 00
Furniture (cabinets, shelving, fixtures, etc.)	1,300	1,982 03	1,650	2,012 83	1,500	1,662 90		2,870	1,452 55	1865 385 64
Gas	1,700	2,041 76	2,200	2,303 98	2,500	2,425 45		5,922	3,460 06	1866 263 92
Printing (miscellaneous)	1,700	2,247 28	{ 2,200	{ 2,299 14						1867 504 18
Stationery	1,950	1,393 95	{ 1,400	{ 1,537 44				4,000	6,457	1868 507 72
Salaries	30,000	29,074 00	35,000	34,507 71	39,650	38,252 45		50,000	48,782 76	1869 639 85
Transportation, Postage, etc	700	947 22	1,000	1,210 85	1,200	1,213 57		2,440	2,440 24	1870 996 63

BRANCHES.	East Boston Br.		South Boston and Rox. Branches.		Rox. Branch completing outfit.		1871	1872	1873	1874
	Books and Periodicals	4,250	3,899 69	{ S. B. 3,000 { Rox. 3,000	3,037 76 2,274 10	{ Ch'n 746 55 { Bri.	602 40			
Fixtures, Catalogues, Print'g, etc	1,700	2,323 41	{ S. B. 4,500 { Rox. 4,500	4,669 30 565 25	{ Ch'n { Bri.	343 42 175 34				1,472 44
Salaries	3,000	1,117 35	{ S. B. 2,500 { Rox. 2,500	2,660 43 268 88	{ Ch'n 3,000 { Bri.	4,084 97 791 87 291 88				1,681 79
Totals	\$65,000	\$70,443 70	\$91,000	\$86,468 01	\$2,181 10	\$127,563 83	\$133,775 68	\$1,652 22		

*The appropriation for Periodicals is included in that for Books.

†The appropriation for binding before this year had included the salaries of the workmen in the Bindery, but is now charged to the appropriation for salaries. ‡\$25,197 28 of this amount brought from last year, and added to the appropriations for books to enable the Trustees to buy the Barton Library. The total appropriation includes an increase of \$11,650, by vote of the City Council in December, 1873, in anticipation of the annexation of Charlestown and Brighton. The difference of the total amount expended and appropriated is met by the income of the Trust Funds.

NOTE.—The expenditures for books cover the cost of those chargeable to our Trust Funds Account, as well as those charged to the annual appropriations from the City and also includes such as are bought with the balances with our foreign agents at the close of the previous year. Our financial and library years now nominally correspond, but it will happen that bills accruing subsequently to the middle of March (when the last requisition of the year, payable April 1st, is approved) will be audited in the subsequent year's account, beginning nominally May 1st. In this way books added between March 16th and May 1st may be counted in one year's growth, and paid for in the subsequent year's account. The cost of maintaining Branches after the first year makes part of the general items of the several appropriations.

The money for Books bought on account of the Fellows Athenaeum is spent under the direction of the Book Committee of the Trustees of the Fellows Fund.

APPENDIX XXIII.

LIBRARY SERVICE.

JUSTIN WINSOR, *Superintendent.*

WILLIAM A. WHEELER, *Assistant Superintendent.*

JAMES L. WHITNEY, *Principal Assistant.*

EDWARD CAPEN, *Auditor.*

Charles A. Wilson, *Despatch Clerk.*

Miss A. A. Nichols, *Accountant.*

John Barry, *Superintendent's Runner.*

CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

WILLIAM A. WHEELER, *Chief.*

James L. Whitney, *Principal Assistant*; Max Auerbach, *Assistant and Curator of Patent Room*; J. Otis Williams, *Curator of Pamphlets and Engravings*; William H. Foster, *Proof-Reader.*

Mrs. R. M. Eastman, *Extra Work*; Mrs. S. A. Joslyn, Miss M. E. Joslyn, *Assistants*; Miss Margaret Allen, *Pamphlets*; Miss A. P. Call, *Cataloguer for Branches*; Miss H. E. Green, *Curator of Public Card Catalogue.*

Miss Alice M. Porée, Miss Maude Ross, *Assistants.*

ORDERING AND RECEIVING DEPARTMENT.

Miss HARRIET N. PIKE, *Chief Clerk.*

Miss M. I. Brooks, *Assistant*; Miss Mary A. McGrath (*extra*), *Assistant*; Miss Elizabeth J. Stevenson, *Newspapers and Duplicates*; Ellen Stevenson, *Attendant.*

SHELF DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. L. T. BARTON, *Custodian.*

Appleton P. C. Griffin, *Assistant Custodian*; Annie M. Kennedy, *Assistant.*

BATES HALL DEPARTMENT.

JOSEPH SYKES, *Keeper.*

Miss L. S. Norton, Miss E. T. Hill, *Assistants.*

John Bresnahan, Timothy Donovan, F. H. Thomas, E. M. Thomas, *Runners.*

LOWER HALL DEPARTMENT.

ELBRIDGE BRADSHAW, *Keeper.*

Miss Elizabeth S. Haley, *Delivery Clerk*; Miss Lydia F. Knowles, *Receiving Clerk*; Miss Ellen E. Bresnahan, *Keeper's Clerk*; Misses Eliza J. Mack, Sarah A. Mack, *Assistants.*

Ellen F. McCarthy, Ella Sturmy, Mary Connors, Margaret Donovan, Henrietta E. Mack (*extra*), M. A. Mears (*extra*), *Runners.*

W. F. Robinson, *Registration Clerk*.

Miss Elizabeth Ross, *Assistant Registration Clerk*.

Miss Caroline E. Porée, *Reading Room Attendant*.

EVENING SERVICE. J. M. W. Pratt, *Registration Clerk*; _____
Delivery Clerk; Miss Catharine McGrath, *Receiving Clerk*; Miss Amelia
 McGrath, *Assistant*; R. B. Ross, *Reading Room Attendant*; Geo. W. Evans,
Runner.

SUNDAY SERVICE. Fred. Kyle, *Reading Room Attendant*.

JANITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

WILLIAM E. FORD, *Janitor*.

Thomas Collins, *Assistant*.

BINDING DEPARTMENT.

FRANK P. HATHAWAY, *Foreman*.

Andrew M. Blake, Mrs. Martha Wheeler, *Assistants*.

NOTE. — The binderies of Jackson and Dale, Jerome Seidensticker, M. M.
 Chick, J. W. Ripley, and G. H. Flattich are also employed.

EAST BOSTON BRANCH.

Miss SARAH C. GODBOLD, *Librarian*.

Miss Mary R. Pray, Miss A. M. Wing, *Assistants*.

Mary E. Cathcart, *Runner*.

G. H. Hosea, *Janitor*.

Misses N. S. Lennon, G. Chilcott, Alice Ellis, and Laura Morse, *Substitutes
 and extra Assistants*.

Miss Emma M. Nutter, *Sunday Service*.

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH.

Mrs. ANNA C. D. KEEN, *Librarian*.

Misses L. Anna Baldwin, E. A. Eaton, A. J. Bragdon, *Assistants*.

H. E. McCarthy, *Runner*.

Joseph Baker, *Janitor*.

Misses E. Watson, M. Webster, Eliz. McCarthy, Emma Davis, and Mary
 Watson, *Substitutes and extra Assistants*.

Mrs. L. A. Dunham, *Sunday Service*.

ROXBURY BRANCH.

Miss H. C. PRICE, *Librarian*.

Mrs. Julia A. Nye (*also Sunday Service*), Miss Marietta Goldsmith,
 Miss Clara E. Sanborn, *Assistants*.

Margaret E. Blood, *Runner*.

Charles R. Curtis, *Janitor*.

Misses Ella Blood, Louisa Floden, Rita Bellows, and Mary Floden, *Sub-
 stitutes and extra Assistants*.

CHARLESTOWN BRANCH.

Dr. CORNELIUS S. CARTÉE, *Librarian*.
 Misses Susan Edwards, S. M. Eberle, *Assistants*
 Lillian Davis, *Runner*.
 Thomas E. Smith, *Janitor*.
 Misses A. M. Stevens, A. E. Eberle, and Howard Doane, *Extra Assistants*.
 Mr. H. F. Smith, *Sunday Service*.

BRIGHTON BRANCH.

Miss MARY J. BOWKER, *Librarian*.
 Miss C. A. Wentworth, *Assistant*. B. T. Grailey, *Runner*.
 Miss K. F. Wellington, *Sunday Service*.

AGENCY DEPARTMENT.

Messrs. Lee and Shepard, *Boston*.
 Messrs. Little, Brown and Co., and Sampson Low, Marston, Low and Searle,
Boston and London.
 Mr. F. W. Christern, and M. Charles Reinwald, *New York and Paris*.
 Dr. Felix Flügel, *Leipsic*.
 Chev. Eugenio Albèri, *Florence*.

SUMMARY.

	Regulars.	Extras.		
Superintendent	1		} Central Library. 48 reg'ars. 10 extras. — 58 in all.	
Auditor, Accountant, Despatch Clerk, and Runner	4			
Catalogue Department	12	1		
Ordering and Receiving Department	4	1		
Shelf Department	3			
B. H. Circulating Department	7			
L. H. Circulating Department, Day Service	12	2		
L. H. Circulating Department, Evening and Sunday Service		6		
Janitorial Department	2			
Binding Department	3			
East Boston Branch	5	5		} Branches. 25 reg'ars. 20 extras. — 45 in all.
South Boston Branch	6	6		
Roxbury Branch	6	4		
Charlestown Branch	5	4		
Brighton Branch	3	1		
Totals	73	30		
	30			
Grand Total	103			

APPENDIX XXIV.

REPORT ON THE EXAMINATION OF THE LIBRARY,

To the Superintendent:—

SIR,—During the year ending the 30th of April, 1874, an examination has been made of the Central Library, and the East Boston, South Boston and Roxbury Branches, upon which I beg leave to present the following

REPORT.

In the Bates Hall there were missing from the shelves	
at the time of examination	2,621 vols.
Of these there were found,—	
Loaned	939
At the Binder's	852
Otherwise accounted for	800
	— 2,591 “
Not at present accounted for,—	
Books	27
Magazines imperfect in box	1
Bates Hall Catalogue	1
	— 29 “

The usual care has been taken, and persistent search has been made for these missing books, but many are without doubt misplaced, and can only be found after another examination of the alcoves.

Of the 30 volumes reported missing last year, 20 have been found during the present examination; showing that in so large a Library there is an increasing chance of books being returned to the wrong alcoves, and so temporarily missed.

Five of the pamphlets which were reported missing at the first examination in 1869, have been found during the year,

as it was then supposed they would be, bound with other pamphlets; also three books which were reported missing in 1870 have been found.

In the Lower Hall there were missing from the shelves	
at the time of examination	7,395 vols.
Loaned	6,304
At the Binder's	206
Otherwise accounted for	853
	— 7,363 “

At present not accounted for, —

Fiction	11
Duplicates of Fiction	12
Miscellaneous books	9
	— 32 “

Three of these missing volumes have been added within the past year, and cannot be traced since their location; six have been lent during the year, and the remainder have not been charged to borrowers, and are not recent accessions.

Of the volumes reported missing last year, seven have been found during the present examination, wrongly numbered; also there have appeared in their proper places three other volumes — one missing in 1871, one missing in 1869, and one which was marked on the shelf-list as missing in 1867.

The number of books missing from each alcove is as follows: —

1st alcove	2 vols.	14th alcove	1 vol.
3d “	1 “	15th “	1 “
4th “	4 “	17th “	5 “
7th “	1 “	18th “	1 “
8th “	1 “	Dup's of 4th alcove	2 “
11th “	2 “	“ 7th “	8 “
13th “	1 “	“ 17th “	2 “

At the East Boston Branch there were missing from the shelves at the time of examination . . . 2,031 vols.

Loaned	1,745	
At the Binder's	120	
Otherwise accounted for	164	
	—	2,029 “

At present not accounted for, —

History	1	
Miscellaneous	1	
	—	2 “

At the South Boston Branch there were missing from the shelves at the time of examination . . . 2,309 vols.

Loaned	1,993	
At the Binder's	129	
Otherwise accounted for	185	
	—	2,307 “

At present not accounted for, —

Biography	1	
Juvenile	1	
	—	2 “

At the Roxbury Branch there were missing from the shelves at the time of examination, —

Fellowes Athenæum books	293 vols.	
Of these there were found, —		
Loaned	289	
At the Binder's	3	
Otherwise accounted for	1	
	—	<u>293 “</u>

City books	2,005 vols.
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There were found, —

Loaned	1,911	
At the Binder's	86	
Otherwise accounted for	6	
	—	2,003 “

At present not accounted for, —

Fiction	1	
Juvenile	1	
	—	2 “

I have also to report the following books which have disappeared from the Bates Hall desk during the past Library year : —

Putnam. Best Reading.

Pierce. Dickens Dictionary.

Moore. What to Read. *The second copy which has disappeared.*

Irving. Annals of Our Time.

Webster. Counting House Dictionary. *The second copy which has disappeared.*

Wheeler. Noted Names of Fiction. *The second copy which has disappeared.*

Ewald. Last Century of Universal History.

Encyclopædia Americana, Vol. 4.

From the desk in the Periodical Reading Room there are missing, —

Ewald. Last Century of Universal History. *The second copy which has disappeared.*

Moore. Encyclopædia of Music. *The third copy which has disappeared.*

Phillips. Dictionary of Biographical Reference.

Respectfully submitted,

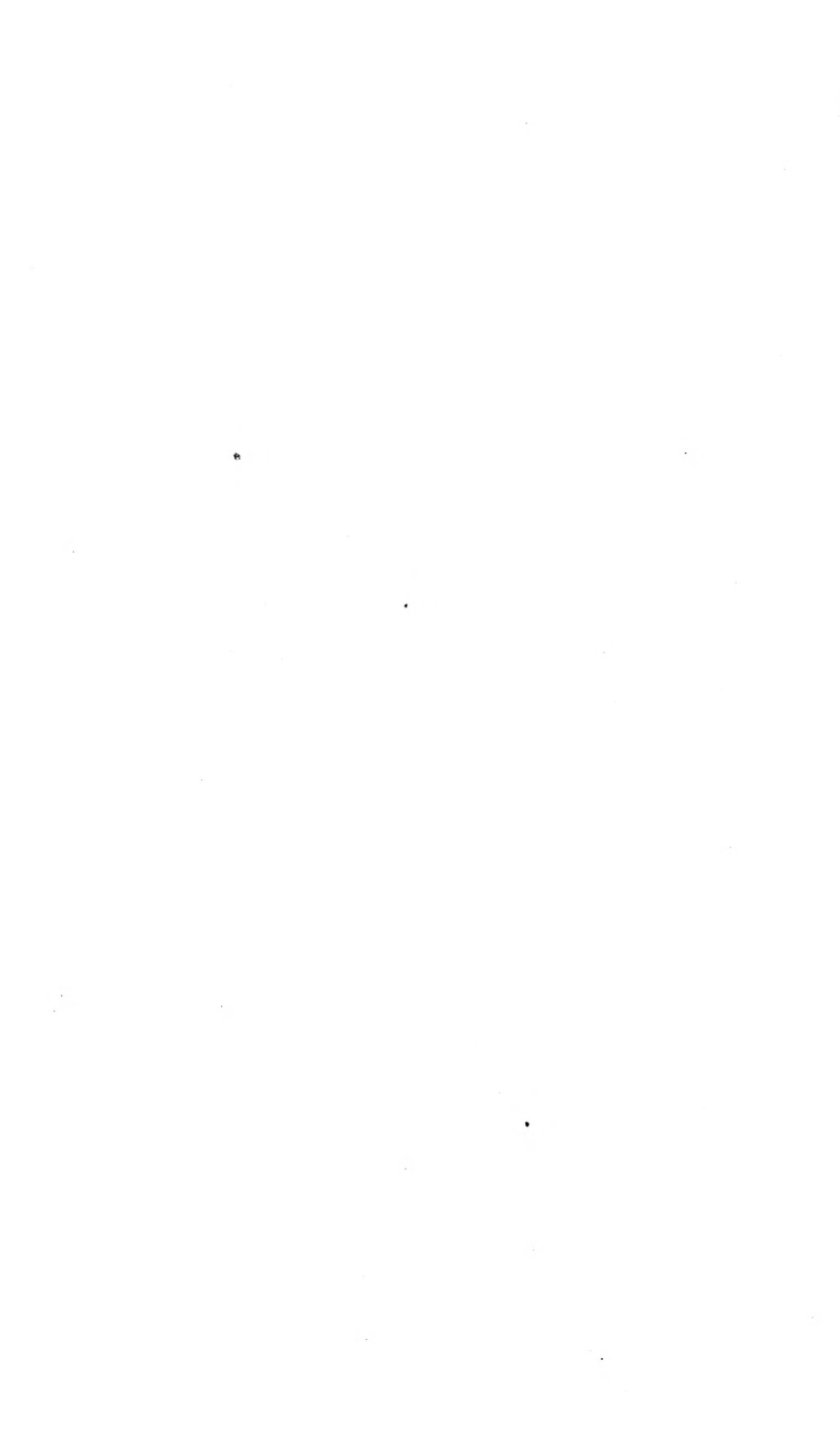
L. T. BARTON,
Custodian of the Shelves.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, 15th May, 1874.

APPENDIX XXV.

WORK IN THE LIBRARY BINDERY.

CHARACTER OF WORK.	1871-2.	1872-3.	1873-4.
Bates Hall books bound and finished	2,219	2,008	2,635
Books of the Lower Hall and Branches	1,015	744	753
Books repaired	396	430	492
Catalogues wired and covered for public use in Lower Hall and Branches	490	437	287
Maps dissected and mounted	47	28	9
Map-volumes and shelf-lists mounted	212	165	109
Pamphlet cases	546	64	24
Portfolios	5	8	8
Removable covers for catalogues, and paper covered books	266	263	450
Maps mounted, bound and bordered	54	41	8
Hours of miscellaneous work	1,842	2,237	1,437







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